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About Passive Circuit DesignGuide

The *Passive Circuit DesignGuide* documentation provides an introduction to the Passive Circuit DesignGuide. The complexity of the Advanced Design System (ADS) is made easily accessible through the automated capability. A first-time or casual ADS user can begin using the capability of ADS quickly, while experienced ADS users can perform tasks faster than ever before. The <u>Step-by-Step Example</u> describes how a microstrip line and a coupled-line filter can be designed and verified, and a layout generated, in a few minutes.

The Passive Circuit DesignGuide provides *SmartComponents* and automated-assistants for the design and simulation. All SmartComponents can be modified. You simply select a SmartComponent and, with little effort, redesign or verify their performance. The *Using SmartComponents* (dgpas) section answers many common questions relating to DesignGuide use. The section *Using Automated Assistants* (dgpas) introduces Automated Assistants.

Step-by-Step Example

The step-by-step example takes you through the design, analysis and sensitivity simulation of a microstrip line and a coupled-line filter. After completing this example, you should have a basic understanding of the Utility and be ready to begin using the tool. Follow these steps to begin:

- <u>Setting Up the Design Environment</u>
- Designing and Analyzing a Network

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You should already be familiar with the basic features of Advanced Design System. For help with ADS basic features, refer to the *Schematic Capture and Layout* (usrguide) documentation.

Setting Up the Design Environment

Before you can use the Passive Circuit DesignGuide, you must set up the design environment by using these steps:

- <u>Setting DesignGuide Preferences</u>
- <u>Opening a Workspace</u>
- Opening a Schematic Window
- Opening the Passive Circuit DesignGuide
- Displaying the SmartComponent Palette

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Before beginning, you must have installed the DesignGuide with appropriate licensing codewords.

Setting DesignGuide Preferences

All DesignGuides can be accessed through either cascading menus or dialog boxes. You

Advanced Design System 2011.01 - Passive Circuit DesignGuide can configure your preferred method in the ADS Main window or from the Schematic window.

To configure access through menus or dialog boxes:

- 1. From the Main or Schematic window, choose **DesignGuide** > **Preferences**.
- 2. In the DesignGuide Menu Style group box, choose either Use a selection dialog box or Use cascade menus .

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PLEASE NOTE: Any changes made to these options require restarting ADS to take effect.
Show DesignGuide Menu
The DesignGuide Preferences menu will still be available in the Main window if you hide the DesignGuide menu in the Schematic and Layout windows.
DesignGuide Menu Style
 Use a selection dialog box
Use cascade menus
WARNING: Due to Windows resource issues, using cascade menus on a PC may destabilize your system when multiple windows are open.
OK Cancel

3. Close and restart the program for your preference changes to take effect.

Note On PC systems, Windows resource issues might limit the use of cascading menus. When multiple windows are open, your system could become destabilized. Therefore, the dialog box menu style might be best for these situations.

The ADS Main window DesignGuide menu contains these choices:

- DesignGuide Developer Studio > Start DesignGuide Studio is only available on this menu if you have installed the DesignGuide Developer Studio to open the initial Developer Studio dialog box.
- DesignGuide Developer Studio > Developer Studio Documentation is only available on this menu if you have installed the DesignGuide Developer Studio to open the DesignGuide Developer Studio documentation.

Another way to access the DesignGuide Developer Studio documentation is by selecting *Help* > *Topics and Index* > *DesignGuides* > *DesignGuide Developer Studio* from any ADS program window.

- Add DesignGuide opens a directory browser in which you can add a DesignGuide to your installation. This is primarily intended for use with DesignGuides that are custom-built through the Developer Studio.
- **List/Remove DesignGuide** opens a list of your installed DesignGuides. Select any that you would like to uninstall and choose the *Remove* button.
- Preferences opens a dialog box that enables you to:
 - Disable the DesignGuide menu commands (all except Preferences) in the Main window by unchecking this box. In the Schematic and Layout windows, the

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complete DesignGuide menu and all of its commands are removed if this box is unchecked.

• Select your preferred interface method, either cascading menus or dialog boxes.

Opening a Workspace

The ADS design environment is set up within a Workspace.

To create a new Workspace:

1. From the ADS Main window, choose File > New > Workspace or click Create a New Workspace on the toolbar.



2. In the dialog, define the location of the Workspace and assign a Workspace name.

For more details on creating a new space, refer to Using Workspace (adstour).

Opening a Schematic Window

A new schematic is needed to contain the lowpass component for this example.

To open a Schematic window:

1. From the ADS Main window, choose **Window** > **New Schematic** or click **New Schematic Window** on the toolbar. A new Schematic window appears.



Note Depending on how your ADS preferences are set, a Schematic window can appear automatically when you create or open a Workspace.

2. In the New Schematic window, provide Library and Cell details to create a cell named *Example* .

For more details on creating a new schematic, refer Using Designs (adstour).

Opening the Passive Circuit DesignGuide

The Passive Circuit DesignGuide is accessed from the **DesignGuide** menu in the Schematic window.

To open the Passive Circuit DesignGuide:

1. In the Schematic window, choose **DesignGuide** > **Passive Circuit** > **Passive Circuit Control Window**. The Control window opens.

Using the Control Window

All Utility features are available from the Control window. The Control window houses menus, a toolbar, and SmartComponent manipulation controls. The menus and toolbar buttons perform the basic functions of design, delete, and display the SmartComponent palette. Full features are available from each of the tab pages on the window. The window can be placed anywhere on the screen. Explore each tab page by clicking on the tab at the top of each page. Explore the window menus as well to familiarize yourself with the basic Utility capabilities.

The pull-down lists at the top of the control window are designed to help you navigate multiple schematic windows and SmartComponents. You can use the Current Schematic drop-down list box to select any of the currently opened schematic windows. This field is updated any time the Passive Circuit Control Window is selected from the **Tools** menu. From the **SmartComponent** drop-down list box, you can select any of the SmartComponents on the currently selected schematic window.

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To close the Control window:

• Select **File** > **Exit DesignGuide** from the Control window menubar. (You can also close the window by clicking the **x** at the top of the window.)

Continue the step-by-step example by <u>Designing and Analyzing a Network</u>.

Designing and Analyzing a Network

In this step-by-step example, you design a microstrip line, and complete the design, analysis, and optimization of a branch-line coupler. A microstrip line can be designed easily given a substrate definition, its characteristic impedance, and length. Using the Utility follows a normal design flow procedure:

- Select components needed for your design from the component palettes (<u>Displaying</u> <u>the SmartComponent Palette</u>) and place the component in your design (<u>Placing</u> <u>Components in the Design</u>).
- Provide specifications (<u>Changing Component Parameters</u>).
- Design and analyze the component (<u>Designing the SmartComponent</u> and <u>Optimizing</u> <u>the Branch-Line Coupler</u>).

Note Before starting this section of the step-by-step example, confirm your setup (<u>Setting Up the Design</u> <u>Environment</u>).

Displaying the SmartComponent Palette

The DesignGuide contains six SmartComponent palettes that provide quick and easy access to the SmartComponents. The six available component palettes are:



- All contains all of the SmartComponents.
- Lines contains the simple line element SmartComponents.
- RLC contains the distributed resistor, inductor, and capacitor SmartComponents.
- Couplers contains the coupler and power divider SmartComponents.
- Filters contains the distributed filter SmartComponents.
- Match contains the distributed and lumped matching SmartComponents.
 A blue accent in the upper-left corner of a palette button indicates the component is a SmartComponent.

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You can display the SmartComponent palettes in one of these ways:

- By clicking Component Palette on the Control window toolbar
- By choosing *View > Component Palette* from the Control window menu
- By selecting the palette from the Component Palette drop-down list box in the Schematic window toolbar (directly above the palette).

Placing Components in the Design

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To place a component in the design:

- 1. Display the **Passive Circuit Microstrip** palette.
- 2. Click **MSUB** on the component palette to select the component.



- 3. Click within the schematic window to place the component.
 - You can change the orientation of the SmartComponent *before* placement by selecting from the **Insert > Component > Component Orientation** commands or by selecting **Rotate by -90** repeatedly from the schematic toolbar.
 - The place component mode remains active until you choose Edit > End **Command** from the schematic toolbar.

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When a SmartComponent is placed initially, a temporary component is used to place and specify the parameters for the SmartComponent. This component *does not* contain a subnetwork design. After the DesignGuide has been used to design the SmartComponent, the temporary component is replaced with a permanent component. The SmartComponent is renamed to *DA_ComponentName_DesignName* and an autogenerated design is placed inside the SmartComponent's subnetwork design file. Subsequently, if the SmartComponent parameters are edited, the DesignGuide must be used again to update the subnetwork design file.

Changing Component Parameters

To edit the component parameters:

- 1. In the Schematic window, double-click the **MSUB** component to open the component parameter dialog box.
- 2. Change the substrate thickness (H) to 20 mil and the dielectric constant (Er) to 5.

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	See <i>Placing and Editing SmartComponents</i> (dgpas) for details on changing parameters in the design
	window or component dialog box.

To place the SmartComponent in the design:

1. Click **MLine** on the component palette to select the component.



2. Click within the schematic window to place the component.

To edit the component parameters:

- 1. In the Schematic window, double-click the **MLine** component to open the component parameter dialog.
- 2. Change the center frequency (F) to 5 GHz , the characteristic impedance (Zo) to 75 Ohm , and the electrical length (Lelec) to 0.25 wavelengths .

Designing the SmartComponent

You can design and analyze the SmartComponent from the Control Window.

To start the simulation:

- 1. Select **DA_MLine1** from the SmartComponent drop-down list.
- 2. On the *Design Assistant* tab, click **Design** to start a simulation and generate the design for the SmartComponent.

Examining the SmartComponent Design

Advanced Design System 2011.01 - Passive Circuit DesignGuide You can look at the details of the autogenerated design inside the SmartComponent's subnetwork.

To examine the component's subnetwork:

- 1. Select the component **DA_MLine1**.
- 2. Click **Push Into Hierarchy** on the schematic toolbar.
- 3. After examining the design, click **Pop Out** on the schematic toolbar to close the view.



Deleting the SmartComponent

To delete the DA_MLine1 SmartComponent, choose Tools > Delete
 SmartComponent from the Control window. Do not delete the MSUB component.

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The *Delete* button on the Control window is different from the *Delete* button on the ADS schematic window toolbar.

Designing and Analyzing a Branch-Line Coupler

A branch-line coupler can be designed as easily as a microstrip line.

To design and analyze a branch-line coupler:

- 1. In the *Passive Circuit Microstrip* palette, select **BLCpIr** and place the component in the Schematic window.
- 2. Click the **BLCoupler** component and change the center frequency (F) to **5 GHz**.
- 3. Choose the **BLCoupler** component in the *SmartComponent* drop-down list box on the Control Window and then click the **Design Assistant** tab.
- 4. Click **Design** to generate the design for the SmartComponent.
- 5. Click the **Simulation Assistant** tab on the Control Window and enter **1 GHz** start frequency, **10 GHz** stop, **20 MHz** step (accept default display specifications).
- 6. Click **Simulate** to analyze the SmartComponent. The analysis results are shown here.



7. Close the Display window by choosing **File** > **Close Window** from the menu.

Optimizing the Branch-Line Coupler

The branch-line coupler as designed in the preceding section has a center frequency of 5.5 GHz, which is different from the desired 5 GHz. The difference is due to limitations of the synthesis method used to generate the design. However, the Optimization Assistant can be used to optimize the design so that the center frequency is as specified.

To optimize the design:

- 1. Click the **Optimization Assistant** tab on the Control Window and click **Optimize** to optimize the SmartComponent.
- 2. Click the Simulation Assistant tab on the Control Window.
- 3. Deselect the *Automatically display results* check box.
- 4. Click **Simulate** to re-analyze the branch-line coupler.

Displaying Branch-Line Coupler Analysis Results

If a SmartComponent has been analyzed with the Simulation Assistant, the analysis results can be displayed using the Display Assistant. The results from the branch-line coupler designed and analyzed above can be displayed quickly by following these simple steps.

To display results:

1. Click the **Display Assistant** tab on the Control Window and click the **Display** button to display the existing simulation results.



2. Choose **File** > **Close Window** from the menu to close the Display window. This completes the step-by-step example.

Using SmartComponents in Passive Circuit DesignGuide

This DesignGuide provides a large number of passive SmartComponents such as couplers, filters, lines and matching networks. SmartComponents are smart sub-network designs that provide the container for specification parameters and a schematic representation of the design when placed into a design. The DesignGuide provides automated design and analysis for these SmartComponents.

Placing and Editing SmartComponents

SmartComponents can be placed, copied, edited and deleted like other components in the Advanced Design System. The basics of placement, copying, editing and deleting are described briefly in this section.

\rm Note

For help with ADS basic features, refer to the *Schematic Capture and Layout* (usrguide) documentation.

The DesignGuide contains six SmartComponent palettes that provide quick and easy access to the SmartComponents. The six available component palettes are:

- All contains all of the SmartComponents.
- Lines contains the simple line element SmartComponents.
- RLC contains the distributed resistor, inductor, and capacitor SmartComponents.
- Couplers contains the coupler and power divider SmartComponents.
- Filters contains the distributed filter SmartComponents.
- Match contains the distributed and lumped matching SmartComponents.

The components are placed in the schematic by selecting the SmartComponent from the palette and clicking at the point where you want to place the component in the schematic.

You can display the SmartComponent palettes in one of these ways:

- By clicking Component Palette on the Control window toolbar.
- By choosing **View > Component Palette** from the Control window menu.
- By selecting the palette from the Component Palette drop-down list box in the Schematic window toolbar (directly above the palette).

Placing SmartComponents

To place a SmartComponent in the design:

- 1. In the Schematic window, select the component from the SmartComponent palette.
- 2. Click within the design window at the location where you want to place the SmartComponent.
 - You can change the orientation of the SmartComponent *before* placement by selecting from the **Insert > Component > Component Orientation**

commands or by selecting **Rotate by -90** repeatedly from the schematic toolbar.

• The place component mode remains active until you choose **Edit > End Command** from the schematic toolbar.

Changing Position and Orientation

A SmartComponent is moved by dragging it to any location in the Schematic window.

To change the component's orientation:

- 1. Select **Edit** > **Advanced Rotate** > **Rotate Around Reference** from the Schematic window or select **Rotate Items** from the toolbar.
- 2. Click the SmartComponent you want to use.
- **3.** Rotate the component. The rotate mode remains active until you select **Edit > End Command** from the toolbar.

Editing SmartComponents

You can modify the specifications in one of these ways:

- Click the SmartComponent parameters in the schematic window and change them (see <u>The DA_BLCoupler Component</u>.)
- Double-click the SmartComponent to open a dialog box containing all parameters.



The DA_BLCoupler Component

The SmartComponent design (schematic) can be viewed by pushing into the SmartComponent's subnetwork. See *Examining the SmartComponent Design* (dgpas).

A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the design is generated (see the note in the section <u>Placing and Editing SmartComponents</u>).

Copying SmartComponents

SmartComponents can be copied within a design, to another design, or to another Schematic window.

Copying Within a Schematic

To copy a SmartComponent to the same schematic:

- 1. Click the SmartComponent to be copied.
- 2. Select **Edit** > **Copy** and then **Edit** > **Paste** from the schematic window.
- 3. Click where you want the copy placed.

Copying Between Schematic Windows

To copy a SmartComponent to another schematic:

- 1. Click the SmartComponent to be copied.
- 2. Select **Edit** > **Copy** from the Schematic window.
- 3. Display the design or schematic window you want to copy the SmartComponent to.
- 4. Select **Edit** > **Paste** to copy the SmartComponent to the schematic.
- 5. Click where you want the component placed.

Copying a SmartComponent as a Unique Design

Initially, all copied SmartComponents refer to the same SmartComponent design. When the *Design Assistant* is used to perform a design operation, the Design Assistant transforms each copied SmartComponent into a unique SmartComponent design. A design operation is accomplished from the Control window.

Deleting SmartComponents

SmartComponents can be deleted from a design like other components, but completely removing a SmartComponent's files requires the actions described here.

Deleting from Current Schematic

A SmartComponent can be deleted from a schematic in one of these ways:

• By selecting the component and pressing the **Delete** key.

- By selecting **Delete** from the toolbar.
- By selecting **Edit** > **Delete** from the schematic window.

\rm Note

This procedure does not remove the SmartComponent files from the workspace directory. To delete files from the workspace directory, see <u>Deleting from Current Workspace</u>.

Deleting from Current Workspace

To delete a SmartComponent and all associated files from your workspace:

- 1. In the Schematic window, select the SmartComponent.
- In the Control window, select Tools > Delete SmartComponent. or on the toolbar, click Delete . This deletes the SmartComponent from the current design and removes all of its files from your workspace. The SmartComponent delete mode remains active until you select Edit > End Command from the schematic toolbar.

Deleting Manually Using File System

You can use your computer's file system to delete a SmartComponent by deleting the appropriate files in the respective library of a Workspace. Delete files that start with *DA*_ or *SA*_ , contain the SmartComponent title, and end with . *ael, .atf,* or .wrk .

Using SmartComponents as Standalone Components

After SmartComponents are designed and tested, they can be used as standalone components. The DesignGuide is not needed to use them in new designs unless you wish to modify or analyze them. When using the SmartComponent in a design, however, the power supply pins (Vdd, Vcc, Vp, Vm) must be connected to a DC voltage source whose voltage level corresponds the parameter setting.

Using an Existing SmartComponent Within the Same Workspace

To use an existing SmartComponent within the same Workspace:

- Open the Component Library window by selecting Insert > Component > Component Library from the Schematic window or Display Component Library List on the toolbar.
- 2. Select the Library name under **All Libraries** list at the left of the Component Library window. Available components are listed in the Components list at the right of the Component Library window.
- 3. Select the SmartComponent in the **Components** list.
- 4. Place the SmartComponent into your schematic by clicking in the Schematic window at the location you wish to place. The insert mode remains active until you click **End Command**.

Using an Existing SmartComponent in Any Workspace

A library of predesigned reusable SmartComponents can be created by placing the reusable SmartComponents in a Workspace. This Workspace can be included in any Workspace and its SmartComponents can be accessed using the Component Library.

To use an existing SmartComponent in any Workspace:

- 1. Open the Workspace where the SmartComponent needs to be inserted.
- 2. Open the Library in the Workspace by selecting **File > Open > Library**.
- Open the Component Library window by selecting Insert > Component > Component Library from the Schematic window or Display Component Library List from the toolbar.
- 4. Select the Library name under **All Libraries** list at the left of the Component Library window. Available components are listed in the Components list at the right of the Component Library window.
- 5. Select the SmartComponent in the **Components** list.
- 6. Place the SmartComponent into your schematic by clicking in the Schematic window at the location where you wish to place the component. The insert mode remains active until you click **End Command**.

Using Automated Assistants in Passive Circuit DesignGuide

This section describes the Automated Assistants available in this Utility.

Automated Design and Analysis

The Automated Assistants provide quick design, simulation, yield analysis, and performance display for SmartComponents and enable transformation of lumped elements to transmission line elements. Four Automated Assistants are available in this Utility.



- <u>Design Assistant</u> is used to generate and update the design contained within a SmartComponent. The Design Assistant invokes a synthesis engine that generates a design from the given specification. Design Assistant designs and updates a single SmartComponent or all SmartComponents in a design.
- <u>Simulation Assistant</u> is used to analyze the design contained within a SmartComponent. The Simulation Assistant creates a simulation circuit containing the SmartComponent, then performs a simulation. The Simulation Assistant can automatically display the results of the simulation.
- Optimization Assistant is used to optimize the design contained within a SmartComponent. The Optimization Assistant creates an optimization circuit containing the SmartComponent, performs an optimization, and updates the SmartComponent.
- <u>Display Assistant</u> is used to easily and quickly display the performance of a SmartComponent. Display templates have been created for most of the SmartComponents. The display templates are preconfigured templates which provide a comprehensive look at the component's performance.
- <u>Layout Generation</u>. Artwork for all of the passive circuit SmartComponents in this DesignGuide can be generated automatically. The synthesis engine used by the Design Assistant creates a schematic for the SmartComponents that is auto-layout-generation ready. The Generate Layout capability of ADS is used to generate the artwork for the SmartComponents.

Explore each tab page by selecting the associated tab on the control window.

• Automatic Layout Generation . Artwork for all of the passive circuit SmartComponents in this DesignGuide can be automatically generated. The synthesis Advanced Design System 2011.01 - Passive Circuit DesignGuide engine used by the Design Assistant creates a schematic for the SmartComponents that is auto-layout-generation ready. The Generate Layout capability of ADS is used to generate the artwork for the SmartComponents. Refer to <u>"Layout Generation"</u> for more information.

Design Assistant

The Design Assistant is used to generate and update the design contained within a SmartComponent from the given specifications. It will design and update a single SmartComponent or all SmartComponents in a design.

The Design Assistant is accessed using the Passive Circuit DesignGuide Control window. From the Control window, full design control is enabled from the Design Assistant tab. Single component design operations can also be accomplished using the Control window menu and toolbar.

Designing a Single Component

To design a single SmartComponent using the Control window, select the SmartComponent either from the SmartComponent drop-down list box in the upper right corner of the Control window or by clicking on the component in the Schematic window. The design is accomplished using one of the following methods:

- Click the **Design** button on the Design Assistant tab. The design progress is indicated on the tab page.
- Click the **Design** button on the Control window toolbar.
- Choose **Tools** > **Auto-Design** from the Control window menu.

Designing a Multiple Component

Clicking the **Design All** button on the Design Assistant tab designs all SmartComponents on the current Schematic. Design progress is indicated on the tab page.

1 Note

To avoid screen flicker associated with the design, the Schematic window disappears during the process.

Simulation Assistant

The Simulation Assistant is used to analyze the design contained within a SmartComponent. The Assistant creates a simulation circuit around the SmartComponent, then automatically performs the appropriate simulation. If set, the Assistant automatically displays the simulation results.

The Simulation Assistant is accessed using the Passive Circuit DesignGuide Control window. From the Control window, full simulation control is enabled from the Simulation

Advanced Design System 2011.01 - Passive Circuit DesignGuide Assistant tab. Also, basic simulation can be accomplished using the Control window menu and toolbar.

For all simulation operations, the selected SmartComponent is designed if necessary, a simulation schematic is created, the simulation is performed, and the results are displayed. The simulation frequency sweep must be specified on the Simulation Assistant tab in the Control window.

🕤 Note

When the Simulation Assistant is used, the simulation schematic is deleted automatically. To retain the schematic that is created, instead of the Simulation Assistant, use the Create Template option described in Using Simulation Templates.

Simulation Frequency Sweep

The simulation frequency sweep is specified on the Passive Circuit DesignGuide Control window. While performing the simulation from the Control window, select the Simulation Assistant tab and specify the sweep by entering the start frequency, stop frequency, and either frequency step size or number of points. The values entered are stored in the selected SmartComponent (as displayed in the *SmartComponent* drop-down list box) and are recalled each time this SmartComponent is selected.

🖯 Note

If a SmartComponent has been selected from the SmartComponent drop-down list box on the Control window, default frequencies are set for the component.

Displaying Results Automatically

If you click the *Automatically Display Results* button on the Control window Simulation Assistant tab, the simulation results are displayed automatically after completion of the analysis.

Simulating a SmartComponent

To simulate a SmartComponent using the Control window, select the SmartComponent either from the SmartComponent drop-down list box in the upper right corner of the Control window or by clicking on the component on the schematic window.

The simulation frequency sweep display option must be specified on the Simulation Assistant tab as previously described.

The simulation is then accomplished using one of the following methods:

- Click **Simulate** on the Simulation Assistant tab.
- Click **Simulate** on the Control window toolbar.
- Choose **Tools** > **Auto-Simulate** from the Control window menu.

Using Simulation Templates

In some cases, such as when you would like to retain the schematic that is created, you can simulate the SmartComponent manually.

To generate a simulation schematic around the selected SmartComponent:

- 1. Click the **Create Template** button on the Control window Simulation Assistant tab.
- You can examine or modify the simulation schematic, then manually start the simulation by choosing **Simulate** > **Simulate** from the Schematic window.
- 3. When you are finished, click the **Update from Template** button on the Simulation Assistant tab to transfer any changes you have made to the SmartComponent on the simulation schematic to the original SmartComponent and redesign if necessary.

1 Note

You can close the simulation schematic by choosing **File** > **Close Design** from the Schematic window menu, although this results in loss of any changes you have made to the SmartComponent.

Optimization Assistant

The Optimization Assistant is used to optimize the design contained within a SmartComponent. It creates a optimization circuit containing the SmartComponent, then performs an optimization.

The assistant is accessed using the Passive Circuit DesignGuide Control window. From the Control window, full optimization control is enabled from the Optimization Assistant tab. Also, basic optimization can be accomplished using the Control window menu and toolbar.

The Optimization Assistant contains fields that indicate the objective of the optimization operation as well as the physical parameters to be altered during the process.

For all optimization operations, the selected SmartComponent is designed (if necessary), an optimization schematic is created, and the optimization is performed. The optimization results are transferred to the original SmartComponent, and this altered component is redesigned.

For each component, the optimization alters one or more of the physical design dimensions in order to make the component response more closely meet the specified performance.

Optimizing a SmartComponent

To optimize a SmartComponent using the Control window, follow these steps:

- 1. Select the desired SmartComponent either from the SmartComponent drop-down list box in the upper right corner of the Control window or by clicking on the component on the schematic window.
- 2. Optimize the component by either:
 - Pushing the **Optimize** button on the Optimization Assistant tab

- Pushing the **Optimize** button on the Control window toolbar
- Selecting **Tools** > **Auto-Optimize** from the Control window menu

Optimization Templates

In some cases it can be useful to manually optimize the SmartComponent.

To generate an optimization schematic around the selected SmartComponent, press the **Create Template** button on the Control window Optimization Assistant tab.

You can examine or modify the optimization schematic, then manually start the optimization by selecting **Simulate** > **Simulate** from the Schematic window.

When you are finished, selecting **Simulate** > **Update Optimization Values** causes the optimized values to appear in the *VAR* element in the schematic for your inspection.

Pressing the **Update from Template** button on the Optimization Assistant tab transfers the optimization results to the original SmartComponent and redesign.

\rm Note

You can manually close the optimization schematic using **File** > **Close Design** from the Schematic window menu, although this will cause optimization results to be lost.

Display Assistant

The Display Assistant is used to display the performance of a SmartComponent. The display templates are preconfigured display files that provide a comprehensive look at the performance of the component. You can create your own displays or modify the display templates included using the built in features of Advanced Design System. In most situations, the display templates included provide all the information you need.

The Display Assistant is accessed using the Passive Circuit DesignGuide Control window. From the Control window, full display control is enabled from the Display Assistant tab. Basic display selection can also be accomplished using the Control window menu and toolbar.

Display Templates

The display templates are preconfigured templates that provide a comprehensive look at the performance of the component. Display templates have been created for most of the SmartComponents.

This includes all of the RLC, coupler, filter and matching components. The line components do not have auto-simulation, auto-optimization or auto-display capability because of their simplicity.

You can create your own displays or modify the included display templates using the built

Advanced Design System 2011.01 - Passive Circuit DesignGuide in features of Advanced Design System, but in most situations, the display templates included provide all the information you need.

The display templates opened by the Display Assistant have common features that are discussed here. For features unique to the display templates of some SmartComponents, refer to *SmartComponent Reference* (dgfilter).

Also, in some cases you can use one of the display templates provided with the DesignGuide for other applications.

To open one of these templates, select the template from the Available Templates field and press the **Open Display Template** button on the Control window Display Assistant tab.

Then you can insert a dataset of your choice using the dataset pull-down list box in the upper left corner of the display. If you find that some parameters in the display template are not defined in the selected dataset, you can make appropriate modifications to the display. These changes can be saved using the commands in the display File menu.

Basic Layout

<u>Basic Layout of Display Templates</u> shows the basic layout of the display templates. Area one of the display template contains a graph of the most important parameters of the SmartComponent. Area two contains several graphs that give a comprehensive look at the component's performance. Area three contains a table listing the basic specifications and performance of the component.



Basic Layout of Display Templates

Typical Area 1 Content

<u>Typical Area 1 Graph</u> shows a typical Area 1 graph. The frequency range of the graph is determined by the Simulation Assistant. As you change the frequency range in the Simulation Assistant, this graph updates appropriately.



Typical Area 1 Graph

The markers A and B are used to define the frequency range of the graphs in Area 2. This feature is used to zero in on the region of interest and obtain a comprehensive look at the component's performance.

The marker M1 can be moved by dragging it with the mouse. The performance at the frequency given by M1 is shown in the table in Area 3.

Typical Area 2 Content

Typical graphs from Area 2 are shown in <u>Typical Graphs from Area 2</u>. These graphs provide a quick, comprehensive look at the component's performance. Their frequency range is determined by the location of the "A" and "B" markers found in the main graph.



Typical Graphs from Area 2

Any markers such as M2 shown here can be moved by dragging them with the mouse. Performance criteria at the marker frequency is displayed in the table in Area 3.

Typical Area 3 Content

A typical table from Area 3 is shown in <u>Typical Table from Area 3</u>. The white rows show the desired specifications and important performance criteria for the component. The gray rows give the performance criteria at the user defined marker frequencies. The box below the table provides explanatory information for the table.

	F	S11	S21	S31	S41	PhaseD
Desired Center Frequency	5.00	-10.72	-4.64	-2.91	-12.15	84.94
Actual Center Frequency	5.80	-30.15	-2.64	-3.42	-30.81	90.23
Change/Worst A->B	5.00	-4.20	-8.16	-5.41	-7.22	70.77
Marker M1	5.00	-10.72	-4.64	-2,91	-12.15	84.94
Marker M2	6.00	-22.47	-2.54	-3.65	-22.25	89.63
F: Frequency (GHz) 1: Input Port 2: In-phase (I) Port 3: Quadrature (Q) Port 4: Isolated Port C: Desired Coupling PhaseD: I-Q Phase Difference	2	Note: Chan; over the ran of F and Ph S-paramete	ge/Worst A-> ge from ma aseD are giv r values are	B provides rker A to B. ven, and th given.	s performa . The char ie worst ca	nce Ige Se

Typical Table from Area 3

Displaying SmartComponent Performance Results

Before using the Display Assistant, a valid dataset from a simulation of the selected SmartComponent must exist in the current workspace data directory. This simulation can be conveniently accomplished using the Simulation Assistant. Refer to <u>Simulation</u> <u>Assistant</u> for details on this step.

To display results from a SmartComponent simulation using the Control window, select the SmartComponent either from the SmartComponent drop-down list box in the upper right corner of the Control window or by clicking on the component on the schematic window. The display is then launched using one of the following methods:

- Push the **Display** button on the Display Assistant tab.
- Push the **Display** button on the Control window toolbar.
- Select **Tools** > **Auto-Display** from the Control window menu.

If no valid dataset exists for the selected SmartComponent, the **Display** button on the Display Assistant tab is insensitive. If the toolbar or menu are used to try to display the

Layout Generation

The Design Assistant creates a schematic for the SmartComponents that is ready for autolayout generation. Artwork for all of the Passive Circuit DesignGuide SmartComponents can be automatically generated. The ADS Generate Layout capability is used to generate the artwork for the SmartComponents.

Note You need an Advanced Design System Layout license to use this feature.

Creating Layout Artwork

To create artwork for SmartComponents, follow these steps:

- 1. Choose and place the SmartComponents in the schematic window.
- 2. Specify the parameters for each SmartComponent.
- 3. Design the SmartComponents using the Design Assistant.
- 4. Select **Layout** > **Generate/Update Layout** from the Schematic window.
- 5. Choose **OK** in the Generate/Update Layout box.

The artwork for each SmartComponent and any other components that have associated artwork is displayed in the Layout window. If the status report checkbox is selected in the Generate/Update Layout box, a layout generation status report opens also.

Updating Layout Artwork

To edit the properties of a SmartComponent and update the associated artwork, follow these steps:

- 1. Choose the SmartComponent in the schematic window.
- 2. Edit the parameters of the SmartComponent.
- 3. Design the SmartComponent using the Design Assistant.
- 4. Select **Layout** > **Generate/Update Layout** from the Schematic window.
- 5. Select **OK** in the Generate/Update Layout box.

The artwork for the SmartComponent is updated and displays in the layout window.

Passive RLC Components

- *MICapP* (*Microstrip 4-port Interdigital Capacitor*) (dgpas)
- MICapPG (Microstrip Grounded 2-port Interdigital Capacitor) (dgpas)
- MICapS (Microstrip 2-port Interdigital Capacitor) (dgpas)
- MICapSG (Microstrip 1-port Interdigital Capacitor) (dgpas)
- *MREInd (Microstrip Elevated Rectangular Inductor)* (dgpas)
- MRInd (Microstrip Rectangular Inductor) SmartComponent (dgpas)
- MSInd (Microstrip Spiral Inductor) (dgpas)

- MTFC (Microstrip Thin Film Capacitor) SmartComponent (dgpas)
- TFC (Thin Film Capacitor) SmartComponent (dgpas)
- TFR (Thin Film Resistor) SmartComponent (dgpas)

\rm Note

A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

MICapP (Microstrip 4-port Interdigital Capacitor)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
С	Capacitance	pF	1
W	Width of fingers	mil	5
G	Gap between fingers	mil	5
Ge	Gap at end of fingers	mil	5
Np	Number of finger pairs	None	3
Wt	Width of interconnect (0 if Zt specified)	mil	0
Zt	Characteristic impedance of interconnect lines; 0 if Wt specified	Ohm	50
Delta	Length added to fingers for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. MICapP designs a capacitance between two adjacent microstrip lines using interdigital fingers. The underlying design uses the MICAP2 component contained in the Tlines-Microstrip palette.
- 2. The design is accomplished using a simple model that specifies the length required to achieve the capacitance C at the design center frequency given the remaining physical parameters. If the computed length is unreasonable, decreasing or increasing the gap G will increase or decrease the capacitance, respectively and therefore allow altering of the length.
- 3. Both Wt and Zt specify the properties of the interconnect line. For proper operation, make sure that only one of these parameters is non-zero.
- 4. For more detailed discussion of the parameters W, G, Ge, Np, and Wt, please refer to the discussion of MICAP2 in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation.
- 5. The Optimization Assistant tunes the length of the fingers to achieve the desired capacitance. Because of the simple design approach used, it is often wise to first roughly tune the design within the Simulation Assistant and subsequently use the optimizer to perform the fine tuning.
- 6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

Example

A MICapP component was used to design a 1 pF capacitance between two 50 Ohm lines at a center frequency of 5 GHz. Optimization yielded a value of Delta = -22.19 mil.



MICapPG (Microstrip Grounded 2-port Interdigital Capacitor)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
С	Capacitance	pF	1
W	Width of fingers	mil	5
G	Gap between fingers	mil	5
Ge	Gap at end of fingers	mil	5
Np	Number of finger pairs	None	3
Wt	Width of interconnect (0 if Zt specified)	mil	0
Zt	Characteristic impedance of interconnect lines; 0 if Wt specified	ohm	50
Delta	Length added to fingers for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. MICapPG designs a capacitance between a microstrip line and ground using interdigital fingers. The underlying design uses the MICAP4 component contained in the Tlines-Microstrip palette.
- 2. The design is accomplished using a simple model that specifies the length required to achieve the capacitance C at the design center frequency given the remaining physical parameters. If the computed length is unreasonable, decreasing or increasing the gap G will increase or decrease the capacitance, respectively and therefore allow altering of the length.
- 3. Both Wt and Zt specify the properties of the interconnect line. For proper operation, make sure that only one of these parameters is non-zero.

- 4. For more detailed discussion of the parameters W, G, Ge, Np, and Wt, please refer to the discussion of MICAP4 in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation.
- 5. The Optimization Assistant tunes the length of the fingers to achieve the desired capacitance. Because of the simple design approach used, it is often wise to first roughly tune the design within the Simulation Assistant and subsequently use the optimizer to perform the fine tuning.
- 6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

Example

A MICapPG component was used to design a 1 pF capacitance from a 50 Ohm microstrip line and ground at a center frequency of 5 GHz. Optimization yielded a value of Delta = -21.355 mil.



MICapS (Microstrip 2-port Interdigital Capacitor)



Symbol

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Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
С	Capacitance	pF	1
W	Width of fingers	mil	5
G	Gap between fingers	mil	5
Ge	Gap at end of fingers	mil	5
Np	Number of finger pairs	None	3
Wt	Width of interconnect (0 if Zt specified)	mil	25
Wf	Width of feed line (0 if Zf specified)	mil	0
Zf	Characteristic impedance of feed line; 0 if Wt specified	Ohm	50
Delta	Length added to fingers for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. MICapS designs a series capacitance within a microstrip line using interdigital fingers. The underlying design uses the MICAP1 component contained in the Tlines-Microstrip palette.
- 2. The design is accomplished using a simple model that specifies the length required to achieve the capacitance C at the design center frequency given the remaining physical parameters. If the computed length is unreasonable, decreasing or increasing the gap G will increase or decrease the capacitance, respectively and therefore allow altering of the length.
- 3. Both Wf and Zf specify the properties of the feed line. For proper operation, make sure that only one of these parameters is non-zero.
- 4. For more detailed discussion of the parameters W, G, Ge, Np, Wt, and Wf, please refer to the discussion of MICAP1 in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation.
- 5. The Optimization Assistant tunes the length of the fingers to achieve the desired capacitance. Because of the simple design approach used, it is often wise to first roughly tune the design within the Simulation Assistant and subsequently use the optimizer to perform the fine tuning.
- 6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

Example

A MICapS component was used to design a 1 pF series capacitance for a 50 Ohm line at a center frequency of 5 GHz. Optimization yielded a value of Delta = 2.443 mil.



MICapSG (Microstrip 1-port Interdigital Capacitor)



Parameters

Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
С	Capacitance	pF	1
W	Width of fingers	mil	5
G	Gap between fingers	mil	5
Ge	Gap at end of fingers	mil	5
Np	Number of finger pairs	None	3
Wt	Width of interconnect	mil	25
Wf	Width of feed line (0 if Zf specified)	mil	0
Zf	Characteristic impedance of feed line; 0 if Wf specified	Ohm	50
Delta	Length added to fingers for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. MICapSG designs a series capacitance between a microstrip line and ground using interdigital fingers. The underlying design uses the MICAP3 component contained in the Tlines-Microstrip palette.
- 2. The design is accomplished using a simple model that specifies the length required to achieve the capacitance C at the design center frequency given the remaining physical parameters. If the computed length is unreasonable, decreasing or increasing the gap G will increase or decrease the capacitance, respectively and therefore allow altering of the length.
- 3. Both Wf and Zf specify the properties of the feed line. For proper operation, make sure that only one of these parameters is non-zero.
- 4. For more detailed discussion of the parameters W, G, Ge, Np, Wt, and Wf, please refer to the discussion of MICAP3 in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation.
- 5. The Optimization Assistant tunes the length of the fingers to achieve the desired capacitance. Because of the simple design approach used, it is often wise to first roughly tune the design within the Simulation Assistant and subsequently use the optimizer to perform the fine tuning.
- 6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

Example

A MICapSG component was used to design a 1 pF capacitance for a 50 Ohm line at a center frequency of 5 GHz. Optimization yielded a value of Delta = -1.841 mil.



MREInd (Microstrip Elevated Rectangular Inductor)



Symbol

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Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
L	Inductance	nH	1
Ln	Length of innermost segment (0 means full length)	mil	0
Ln1	Length of second innermost segment	mil	2.5
Ln2	Length of second innermost segment	mil	3.5
W	Conductor width	mil	1
S	Conductor spacing	mil	1
Hi	Elevation of inductor above substrate	mil	12.5
Ti	Thickness of conductors	mil	0.1
Ri	resistivity (relative to gold) of conductors	None	1
Sx	spacing limit between support posts (0 to ignore posts)	mil	0
Cc	coefficient for capacitance of corner support posts	None	2
Cs	coefficient for capacitance of support posts along segment	None	1
Wu	width of underpass strip conductor	mil	0.4
Au	angle of departure from innermost segment	None	0
UE	extension of underpass beyond inductor	mil	4
Delta	incremental number of segments for tuning inductance (need not be integer)	None	0

Notes

- 1. MREInd designs an elevated microstrip rectangular inductor. The underlying design uses the MRINDELA component contained in the Tlines-Microstrip palette.
- 2. The design is accomplished using a simple model that specifies the number of segments in the rectangular inductor required to achieve the inductance L at the design center frequency given the remaining physical parameters.
- 3. The parameters from Hi through Cs are not actually used in the design process, and therefore final tuning is required to achieve the proper value of the inductance.
- 4. The tuning parameter Delta represents the number of additional segments to add to the outside of the structure. If it is not an integer value, the outermost segment (L1) will not be full length, with the fractional remainder of Delta specifying the fractional length of this outermost segment. The design process may not produce the parameters that perfectly achieve the specified inductance. Manual tuning of the inductance can be performed by specifying the parameter Delta, which represents the number of turns to add to the design. For example, if the design process determines that the number of required turns is 1.2 and Delta is set to 0.3, the actual number of turns in the underlying inductor design will be 1.2+0.3=1.5. Delta can be positive or negative and, as shown in this example, need not be an integer.
- 5. The values Ln, Ln1, and Ln2 represent the lengths Ln, Ln-1, and Ln-2 associated with the MRINDELA component. For more detailed discussion of these lengths as well as the parameters from W through UE, please refer to the discussion of MRINDELA in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation.
- 6. Because of the difficulties associated with tuning the inductor using additional discrete segments, no Optimization Assistant is provided. However, tuning can be accomplished quite effectively by manually updating the value of Delta from within the Simulation Assistant. Refer to *Simulation Assistant* (dgpas), as well as the following example for more details.
- 7. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

Example

A MREInd component was used to design a 1 nH inductor at a center frequency of 3 GHz. The design used a full-length innermost segment. By tuning the number of segments within the Simulation Assistant, it was determined that a value of Delta = 1.63 would achieve the desired inductance.



MRInd (Microstrip Rectangular Inductor) SmartComponent



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
L	Inductance	nH	1
IndType	Inductance type (no bridge or wire bridge)	mil	No Bridge
Ln	Length of innermost segment (0 means full length)	mil	0
Ln1	Length of second innermost segment	mil	2.5
Ln2	Length of second innermost segment	mil	3.5
W	Conductor width	mil	1
S	Conductor spacing	mil	1
Dw	Diameter of bridge round wire (for MRINDWBR)	mil	0.4
Rb	Resistivity (relative to gold) of bridge wire (for wire bridge)	None	1
Hw	Height of wire above inductor (for wire bridge)	mil	15
Aw	Angle of departure from innermost segment (for wire bridge)	None	0
WE	Extension of bridge beyond inductor (for wire bridge)	mil	4
Delta	Incremental number of segments for tuning inductance (need not be integer)	None	0

Notes

1. MRInd designs a microstrip rectangular inductor. The underlying design uses the MRINDNBR and MRINDWBR components contained in the Tlines-Microstrip palette.

- 2. The design is accomplished using a simple model that specifies the number of segments in the rectangular inductor required to achieve the inductance L at the design center frequency given the remaining physical parameters.
- 3. The parameters Rb and Hw are not actually used in the design process, and therefore final tuning is required to achieve the proper value of the inductance.
- 4. The value of IndType specifies the type of inductor that will be designed. If this parameter is set to "No Bridge", then the MRINDNBR component is designed and the parameters from Dw to WE are ignored. If the parameter is set to "Wire Bridge", then the MRINDWBR component is designed and the parameters from Dw to WE are used.
- 5. The tuning parameter Delta represents the number of additional segments to add to the outside of the structure. If it is not an integer value, the outermost segment (L1) will not be full length, with the fractional remainder of Delta specifying the fractional length of this outermost segment. The design process may not produce the parameters that perfectly achieve the specified inductance. Manual tuning of the inductance can be performed by specifying the parameter Delta, which represents the number of turns to add to the design. For example, if the design process determines that the number of required turns is 1.2 and Delta is set to 0.3, the actual number of turns in the underlying inductor design will be 1.2+0.3=1.5. Delta can be positive or negative and, as shown in this example, need not be an integer.
- 6. The values Ln, Ln1, and Ln2 represent the lengths Ln, Ln-1, and Ln-2 associated with the MRINDNBR and MRINDWBR components. For more detailed discussion of these lengths as well as the parameters W through WE, please refer to the discussion of these components in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation.
- 7. Because of the difficulties associated with tuning the inductor using additional discrete segments, no Optimization Assistant is provided. However, tuning can be accomplished quite effectively by manually updating the value of Delta from within the Simulation Assistant, refer to *Simulation Assistant* (dgpas), as well as the following example for more details.
- 8. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

Example

A MRInd component with no bridge was used to design a 1 nH inductor at a center frequency of 3 GHz. The design used a full-length innermost segment. By tuning the number of segments within the Simulation Assistant, it was determined that a value of Delta = 0.52 would achieve the desired inductance.

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MSInd (Microstrip Spiral Inductor)



Parameters

Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
L	Inductance	nH	10
Ri	Inner radius measured to center of conductor	mil	50
W	Conductor width	mil	10
S	Conductor spacing	mil	10
W1	Width of strip connected to pin 1	mil	10
W2	Width of strip connected to pin 2	mil	10
Delta	Incremental number of turns for tuning inductance (need not be integer)	None	0

- 1. MSInd designs a microstrip spiral inductor. The underlying design uses the MSIND component contained in the Tlines-Microstrip palette.
- 2. The design is accomplished using a simple model that specifies the number of turns in the spiral inductor required to achieve the inductance L at the design center frequency given the remaining physical parameters.
- 3. The value of Ri specifies the distance from the center of the inductor to the center of the conductor at its innermost point in the spiral. Refer to the discussion of the MSIND component in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed discussion of this parameter.
- 4. The tuning parameter Delta represents the number of additional turns to add to the outside of the structure. Fractional numbers of turns are accommodated (i.e. Delta need not be an integer value). The design process may not produce the parameters that perfectly achieve the specified inductance. Manual tuning of the inductance can

be performed by specifying the parameter Delta, which represents the number of turns to add to the design. For example, if the design process determines that the number of required turns is 1.2 and Delta is set to 0.3, the actual number of turns in the underlying inductor design will be 1.2+0.3=1.5. Delta can be positive or negative and, as shown in this example, need not be an integer.

- 5. The Optimization Assistant tunes the number of turns to achieve the desired inductance.
- 6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

Example

A MSInd component was used to design a 1 nH inductor at a center frequency of 3 GHz. Optimization yielded a value of Delta = -0.53.



MTFC (Microstrip Thin Film Capacitor) SmartComponent



Symbol

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Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
С	Capacitance	pF	1
W	Conductor width; set to 0 if Zo specified	mil	0
Zo	Characteristic impedance of line for computing W; set to 0 if W specified	Ohm	50
CPUA	Capacitance per unit area	pf/mm ²	300
Т	Thickness of capacitor dielectric	mil	0.2
RsT	Sheet resistance of top metal plate	Ohm	0
RsB	Sheet resistance of bottom metal plate	Ohm	0
TT	Thickness of top metal plate	mil	0
ТВ	Thickness of bottom metal plate	mil	0
COB	Bottom conductor overlap	mil	0
СОТ	Top conductor overlap	mil	0
DO	Dielectric overlap	mil	0
Delta	Length added to conductor for tuning capacitance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. MTFC designs a microstrip thin film capacitor. The underlying design uses the MTFC component contained in the Tlines-Microstrip palette.
- 2. The design is accomplished by determining the length required to achieve the desired capacitance using the capacitance per unit area (CPUA) in conjunction with the specified width (W).
- 3. Since this capacitor is often fed with a microstrip line, either the physical width or the characteristic impedance of a microstrip line on the substrate can be specified. However, only one of the parameters should be non-zero.
- 4. The parameters from RsT through DO inclusive are not used in the design process but are passed on to the underlying MTFC component and therefore included in any simulations or optimizations.
- 5. The tuning parameter Delta represents incremental length required to achieve the desired capacitance. It is typically relatively small, as the initial design tends to be accurate.
- 6. The Optimization Assistant tunes the conductor length to achieve the desired capacitance.
- 7. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

Example

A MTFC component was used to design a 100 pF capacitor at a center frequency of 2 GHz. The conductor width corresponds to that of a 50 Ohm microstrip line fabricated on MSub1. Optimization yielded a value of Delta = -2.411.

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TFC (Thin Film Capacitor) SmartComponent



Parameters

Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
С	Capacitance	pF	1
W	Conductor width	mil	25
Т	Thickness of capacitor dielectric	mil	0.2
Er	Relative dielectric constant	None	9.6
Rho	Resistivity of conductor (relative to gold)	None	1
TanD	Dielectric loss tangent	None	0
CO	Conductor overlap	mil	0
DO	Dielectric overlap	mil	0
Delta	Length added to conductor for tuning capacitance	mil	0

- 1. TFC designs a thin film capacitor. The underlying design uses the TFC component contained in the Tlines-Microstrip palette.
- 2. The design is accomplished by determining the length required to achieve the desired capacitance using the simple parallel plate capacitor model C = Er*W*L/T. The parameters from Rho through DO inclusive are not used in the design process but are passed on to the underlying TFC component and are therefore included in any simulations or optimizations.
- 3. The tuning parameter Delta represents incremental length required to achieve the desired capacitance. It is typically relatively small, as the initial design tends to be accurate.
- 4. The Optimization Assistant tunes the conductor length to achieve the desired capacitance.
- 5. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to

Example

A TFC component was used to design a 1 pF capacitor at a center frequency of 5 GHz using a dielectric with a 0.2 mil thickness and dielectric constant of 9.6. Optimization yielded a value of Delta = -0.000178 mil.



TFR (Thin Film Resistor) SmartComponent



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
R	Resistance	Ohm	50
W	Conductor width (set to 0 if Zo specified)	mil	0
Zo	Characteristic impedance of line assuming Rs; set to 0 if W specified	Ohm	50
Rs	Sheet resistivity (Ohms/square)	Ohm	50
Freq	Frequency for scaling sheet resistivity	Hz	0
CO	Conductor overlap	mil	0
Delta	Length added to conductor for tuning resistance	mil	0

- 1. TFR designs a thin film resistor. The underlying design uses the TFR component contained in the Tlines-Microstrip palette.
- The design is accomplished by determining the length required to achieve the desired resistance using the sheet resistivity Rs in conjunction with the strip width W. The parameters Freq and CO are not used in the design process but are passed on to the underlying TFR component and are therefore included in any simulations or optimizations.
- 3. Since this resistor is often fed with a microstrip line, either the physical width or the characteristic impedance of a microstrip line on the substrate can be specified.

- 4. The tuning parameter Delta represents incremental length required to achieve the desired resistance.
- 5. The Optimization Assistant tunes the conductor length to achieve the desired resistance.
- 6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

Example

A TFR component was used to design a 50 Ohm resistor at a center frequency of 5 GHz using a conductor with a sheet resistance of 50 Ohm/square. The conductor width was chosen to correspond to that of a 50 Ohm microstrip line on the substrate. Optimization yielded a value of Delta = -3.549 mil.



Passive Microstrip Components

- *MBend (Microstrip Bend Component)* (dgpas)
- MBStub (Microstrip Butterfly Radial Stub) (dgpas)
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- MCLine (Microstrip Coupled Line Component) (dgpas)
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- MRStub (Microstrip Radial Stub) SmartComponent (dgpas)
- *MStep (Microstrip Step Component)* (dgpas)
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- MTaper (Microstrip Taper Component) (dgpas)
- MTee (Microstrip Tee Component) (dgpas)

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A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

MBend (Microstrip Bend Component)

Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Zo	Desired characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
BendType	Type of bend	None	Arbitrary
Angle	Angle of bend (for arbitrary angle/miter bend)	None	90
М	Miter fraction (for arbitrary angle/miter bend)	None	0.6

Notes

- MBend designs a microstrip bend given the substrate, desired characteristic impedance, and bend properties. The design realizes the native MBEND, MBEND2, or MBEND3 components.
- 2. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- 3. BendType can be Arbitrary Angle/Miter (MBEND), 90 Degree/Miter (MBEND2), or 90 Degree/Optimal Miter (MBEND3). The parameters Angle and M are only used for MBEND realizations. Refer to the discussion of these components in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description.
- 4. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

MBStub (Microstrip Butterfly Radial Stub)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Xin	Input reactance0	Ohm	0 ⁺
Cin	Input capacitance	pF	0 ⁺
Lin	Input inductance	nH	0 [†]
W	Width of feed line; set to zero if Z specified	mil	0
Z	Characteristic impedance of feed line; set to zero if Z specified	Ohm	50
Angle	Subtended angle of circular sector	None	60
D	Insertion depth of circular sector in feed line	mil	3
Delta	Length added to stub for tuning performance	mil	0
[†] Only	one of Xin, Cin, and Lin can be non-zero		

- 1. MBStub designs a microstrip butterfly radial stub given the substrate, desired input reactance, and stub dimensions.
- 2. The stub is designed by dividing the radial lines into several short segments.
- 3. For proper operation, only one of Xin, Cin, and Lin can be non-zero. If all are zero, the stub is designed to provide an open circuit.
- 4. Refer to the discussion of the MBSTUB component in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description of the model used for this component.
- 5. The optimization changes the length of the stubs to achieve the desired input reactance.
- 6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

Example

A MBStub component was used to design an open circuit stub at a center frequency of 1 GHz. Optimization yielded a value of Delta = 88.786 mil.



MCFil (Microstrip Coupled-Line Filter Element)

Symbol



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Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Zoe	Even-mode characteristic impedance	Ohm	55
Zoo	Odd-mode characteristic impedance	Ohm	45
Zo1	Characteristic impedance of input line at port 1	Ohm	50
Zo2	Characteristic impedance of input line at port 2	Ohm	50
Lphys	Physical line length; set to zero if Lelec specified	mil	0
Lelec	Line length in wavelengths; set to zero if Lphys specified	None	0.25

Notes

- 1. MCFil designs a microstrip coupled-line filter component given the substrate, desired even- and odd-mode characteristic impedances, and physical or electrical length.
- 2. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- 3. For proper operation, either Lphys or Lelec must be zero.
- 4. Zo1 and Zo2 specify the impedance of the lines attached to this component and are provided to ensure proper pin location in the layout. Refer to the discussion of the MCFIL component in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description of the model used for this component.
- 5. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

MCLine (Microstrip Coupled Line Component)

Symbol



Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Zoe	Even-mode characteristic impedance	Ohm	55
Zoo	Odd-mode characteristic impedance	Ohm	45
Zo1	Characteristic impedance of input line at port 1	Ohm	50
Zo2	Characteristic impedance of input line at port 2	Ohm	50
Zo3	Characteristic impedance of input line at port 3	Ohm	50
Zo4	Characteristic impedance of input line at port 4	Ohm	50
Lphys	Physical line length; set to zero if Lelec specified	mil	0
Lelec	Line length in wavelengths; set to zero if Lphys specified	None	0.25

- 1. MCLine designs a microstrip coupled line component given the substrate, desired even- and odd-mode characteristic impedances, and physical or electrical length.
- 2. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width, there is

no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.

- 3. For proper operation, either Lphys or Lelec must be zero.
- 4. Zo1 through Zo4 specify the impedance of the lines attached to this component and are provided to ensure proper pin location in the layout. Refer to the discussion of the MCLIN component in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description of the model used for this component.
- 5. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

MCorn (Microstrip Corner Component)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Zo	Desired characteristic impedance	Ohm	50

Notes

- 1. MCorn designs a microstrip corner component given the substrate and characteristic impedance of the input and output lines.
- 2. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- 3. Refer to the discussion of the MCORN component in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description of the model used for this component.
- 4. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

MCross (Microstrip Cross Component)



Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Z1	Characteristic impedance of port 1	Ohm	50
Z2	Characteristic impedance of port 2	Ohm	50
Z3	Characteristic impedance of port 3	Ohm	50
Z4	Characteristic impedance of port 4	Ohm	50

Notes

- 1. MCross designs a microstrip cross given the substrate and desired characteristic impedance on each port.
- 2. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- *3.* Refer to the discussion of the MCROSS component in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation for a detailed description of this component.
- 4. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

MCurve (Microstrip Curve Component)



Parameters

Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Zo	Desired characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
Angle	Angle of curve	None	90
Radius	Radius of curvature (set to zero if Lelec specified)	mil	100
Lelec	Curve length in wavelengths (set to zero if Radius specified)	None	0
CurveType	Type of curve	None	Transmission Line
Nmode	Number of modes (for Waveguide Model)	None	2

- 1. MCurve designs a microstrip curve given the substrate, desired characteristic impedance, and curve properties. The design realizes the native MCURVE and MCURVE2 components.
- 2. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- 3. Either Lelec or Radius must be zero for proper operation.
- 4. BendType can be Transmission Line Model (MCURVE) or Magnetic Wall Waveguide Model (MCURVE2). The parameter Nmode is used only for MCURVE2. Refer to the to the discussion of these components in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist)

documentation for a more detailed description.

5. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

MGap (Microstrip Gap Component)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Zo	Desired characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
S	Length of gap (spacing)	mil	50

Notes

- 1. MGap designs a microstrip gap given the substrate, desired characteristic impedance, and gap width.
- 2. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- 3. Refer to the discussion of the MGAP component in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation for a detailed description of this component.
- 4. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

MLine (Microstrip Line)



Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Zo	Desired characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
Lphys	Physical line length; set to zero if Lelec specified	mil	0
Lelec	Line length in wavelengths; set to zero if Lphys specified	None	0.25

- 1. MLine designs a microstrip line given the substrate, desired characteristic impedance, and physical or electrical length.
- 2. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width and length, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- 3. For proper operation, either Lphys or Lelec must be zero.
- 4. Refer to the discussion of the MLIN component in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description of the model used for this

component.

5. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

MMndr (Microstrip Meander Line)



Parameters

Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Zo	Desired characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
Lphys	Physical line length (set to zero if Lelec specified)	mil	0
Lelec	Line length in wavelengths (set to zero if Lphys specified)	None	0.25
WR	Bounding rectangle width	mil	1000
HR	Bounding rectangle height	mil	1000
Delta	Length added to vertical lines for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. MMndr designs a meandering microstrip line given the substrate, desired characteristic impedance, physical or electrical length, and maximum rectangular dimensions of the line.
- 2. The line input and output ports are at the center of the rectangle on the side characterized by HR.
- 3. The final width and height of the bounding box can be smaller than that specified depending on the desired length.
- 4. For proper operation, either Lphys or Lelec must be zero.
- 5. Refer to the discussion of the MLIN component in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description of the model used for this component.
- 6. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between the transmission phase and that resulting from the specified length. Only the vertical dimension is optimized, and since the corners tend to add excess phase delay the resulting height will be slightly smaller than specified.
- 7. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

Example

A MMndr component was used to design a 1-wavelength line in a 1-inch by 1-inch square area at a center frequency of 1 GHz. Optimization yielded a value of Delta = -10.469 mil.

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MRStub (Microstrip Radial Stub) SmartComponent



Parameters

Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default				
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1				
F	Design frequency	GHz	1				
Xin	Desired input reactance	Ohm	0				
Cin	Desired input capacitance	pF	0				
Lin	Desired input inductance	nH	0				
W	Width of feed line (set to zero if Z specified)	mil	0				
Z	Characteristic impedance of feed line (set to zero if W specified)	Ohm	50				
Angle	Subtended angle of circular sector	None	60				
Delta	Length added to stub for tuning performance	mil	0				
[†] Only	[†] Only one of Xin, Cin, and Lin can be non-zero						

Notes

- 1. MRStub designs a microstrip radial stub given the substrate, desired input reactance, and stub dimensions.
- 2. The stub is designed by dividing the radial line into several short segments.
- 3. For proper operation, only one of Xin, Cin, and Lin can be non-zero. If all are zero, the stub is designed to provide an open circuit.
- 4. Refer to the discussion of the MRSTUB component in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description of the model used for this component.
- 5. The optimization changes the length of the stubs to achieve the desired input reactance.
- 6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

Example

A MRStub component was used to design an open circuit stub at a center frequency of 1 GHz. Optimization yielded a value of Delta = -40.092 mil.



MStep (Microstrip Step Component)



Parameters

Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Z1	Characteristic impedance of port 1	Ohm	50
Z2	Characteristic impedance of port 2	Ohm	25

Notes

- 1. MStep designs a microstrip step given the substrate and desired characteristic impedances.
- 2. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- *3.* Refer to the discussion of the MSTEP component in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation for a detailed description of this component.
- 4. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

MStub (Microstrip Stub)



Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Zo	Desired characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
Lphys	Physical line length	mil	0
Lelec	Line length in wavelengths	None	0
Xin	Desired input reactance	Ohm	0
Cin	Desired input capacitance	pF	0
Lin	Desired input inductance	nH	0
StubType	Type of stub	None	Open Circuit

Notes

- 1. MStub designs a microstrip open or short circuited stub given the substrate, desired characteristic impedance, and physical or electrical length. The design realizes the native MLOC, MLSC, and MLEF components.
- 2. Only one of Lphys, Lelec, Xin, Cin, and Lin can be non-zero.
- 3. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width and length, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- 4. For proper operation, only one of Lphys, Lelec, Xin, Cin, and Lin can be non-zero.
- StubType can be either Open Circuit (MLOC), End Effect (MLEF), or Short Circuit (MLSC). Refer to the discussion of these components in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description of these different options.
- 6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

MTaper (Microstrip Taper Component)



Parameters

Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Z1	Characteristic impedance at port 1	Ohm	50
Z2	Characteristic impedance at port 2	Ohm	25
Lphys	Physical line length (set to zero if Lelec specified)	mil	0
Lelec	Line length in wavelengths (set to zero if Lphys specified)	None	0.10

- 1. MTaper designs a microstrip tapered line given the substrate, desired characteristic impedance, and physical or electrical length.
- 2. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width and length, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- 3. For proper operation, either Lphys or Lelec must be zero.
- 4. Z1 and Z2 are used to determine the widths at each end of the taper component.

Refer to the discussion of the MTAPER component in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description of this component.

5. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

MTee (Microstrip Tee Component)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Z1	Characteristic impedance of port 1	Ohm	50
Z2	Characteristic impedance of port 2	Ohm	50
Z3	Characteristic impedance of port 3	Ohm	50

Notes

- 1. MTee designs a microstrip tee given the substrate and desired characteristic impedance at each port.
- 2. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width and length, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- 3. Z1, Z2, and Z3 are used to determine the widths of each port. Refer to the discussion of the MTEE component in the *ADS Microstrip Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description of this component.
- 4. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

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- *TCoupler (Tee Power Divider)* (dgpas)

- TLMatch (Tapered-Line Match) (dgpas)
- WDCoupler (Wilkinson Divider) (dgpas)
- ZZFilter (Zig-Zag Coupled-Line Filter) (dgpas)

0 Note

A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

BLCoupler (Branch-Line Coupler)



Symbol Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
DeltaF	Total frequency bandwidth	GHz	0.5
Zo	Characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
ResponseType	Type of frequency response	None	Chebyshev
Ν	Number of coupler sections; set N=0 to compute N	None	0
Rmax	Maximum voltage reflection coefficient at the input	None	0.5
С	Coupling coefficient	dB	3
Delta	Length added to branches for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

1. A branch-line coupler outputs from the coupled port (pin 3) a fraction of the power presented at the input (pin 1). The remainder of the power is passed through to the output port (pin 2). At the center frequency the phase difference between the outputs is 90 degrees, with the coupled port representing the quadrature (Q) output and the output port representing the in-phase (I) output. The coupling coefficient specifies the ratio of the input power to the coupled power (P_1/P_3). Pin 4 represents

the isolated port, and it is typically well isolated from the input port near the center frequency.

- 2. The coupling coefficient must be positive and greater than 3 dB. Best results are obtained for tight couplings of 6 dB or better (C < 6 dB). Choosing the coupling parameter larger than 6 dB often causes width constraint violations to occur on the MTEE components, resulting in warning messages during design and simulation. A coupling coefficient of 3 dB provides an equal power split between the two outputs.</p>
- For broadband performance, the coupler can have multiple sections. If the number of sections N is set to zero, the Design Assistant chooses N such that the reflection coefficient is less than Rmax over the bandwidth DeltaF (centered at the design center frequency). The resulting bandwidth can be broader than that specified. Otherwise, rmax and DeltaF are ignored.
- 4. The ResponseType specifies the distribution of the partial reflection coefficients seen at each section interface Uniform, Binomial, and Chebyshev distributions are available.
- 5. The optimization minimizes the input reflection coefficient (S11) at the design center frequency by changing the length of the lines forming the four branches. All branches

are changed by the same physical length during the optimization. This optimization generally provides very good results but can not guarantee that the specified coupling is attained at the design frequency. More advanced tuning can be performed by changing line width of the branch lines.

6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 379-383.

Example

A single-section branch-line coupler was designed for a center frequency of 5 GHz with an equal power split between the I and Q ports. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = 49.532 mil.



CLCoupler (Coupled-Line Coupler)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
С	Coupling coefficient	dB	20
Zo	Characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
Ν	Number of coupler sections (N is odd)	None	1
Delta	Length added to branches for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

1. A coupled-line coupler outputs from the coupled port (pin 4) a fraction of the power

presented at the input (pin 1). The remainder of the power is passed through to the output port (pin 2). The coupling coefficient specifies the ratio of the input power to the coupled power (P_1/P_4). The remaining port is isolated, although the isolation is

often similar in value to the coupling coefficient for microstrip realizations.

- 2. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S41 in dB and the specified coupling coefficient at the design center frequency by changing the length of the coupled-line section.
- 3. The coupling coefficient must be positive and greater than 3 dB. Best results are obtained for weak couplings of roughly 10 dB or more (C >10dB). Choosing the coupling coefficient too small can require a spacing between the coupled lines too small to realize.
- 4. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 383-394.

Example

A coupled-line coupler was designed for a center frequency of 5 GHz with 20 dB of coupling. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta =-1.087 mil.



CLFilter (Coupled-Line Filter)



Parameters

Symbol

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Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
Fs1	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	1.8
Fp1	lower passband edge frequency	GHz	2
Fp2	upper passband edge frequency	GHz	2.2
Fs2	lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	2.4
Ар	passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	3
As	stopband edge attenuation	dB	20
Ν	number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	0
ResponseType	type of frequency response (maximally flat or Chebyshev)	None	Maximally Flat
Zo	desired input/output impedance	Ohm	50
CouplingType	Type of input/output coupling	None	Coupled Line Transformer Input
Delta	length added to coupled sections for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A coupled-line filter provides a bandpass frequency response between the input and output ports. N coupled-line sections produces an N-1 order filter response. Additional numbers of sections can be used to steepen the transition band roll off or widen the pass bandwidth.
- 2. Because of the heavy computational burden in determining the line parameters, a brief delay will occur for the design.
- 3. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics.
- 4. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency.
- 5. Using a Coupled Line Transformer Input CouplingType will use and extra coupled line section on the inputs and outputs to feed the device. Choosing Tapped Line Transformer Input will bring the feedline directly into the first resonator.
- 6. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 in dB and the specified passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequencies. Because only the line lengths are changed, this tuning will typically center the response within the specified passband. More advanced shaping of the passband response can be accomplished by manually tuning the widths and spacings of the coupled filter sections.
- 7. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 477-485.

Example

A coupled-line filter was designed for a maximally flat response with the 3 dB passband edge frequencies at 2 GHz and 2.4 GHz respectively. Coupled Line Transformer Inputs were used. The design required 4 coupled-line sections. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -5.244 mil.

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CMFilter (Comb-Line Filter)



Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	microstrip substrate name	None	Subst1
Fs1	lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	1.8
Fp1	lower passband edge frequency	GHz	2
Fp2	upper passband edge frequency	GHz	2.2
Fs2	lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	2.4
Ар	passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	3
As	stopband edge attenuation	dB	20
Ν	number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	0
ResponseType	type of frequency response (maximally flat or Chebyshev)	None	Maximally Flat
Zo	desired input/output impedance	Ohm	50
Lelec	electrical length of filter resonators (the units of Leclec are in fractions of a wavelength i.e., 0.25=1/4 wavelength)	None	0.05
уа	normalized interior resonator admittance ($0 < ya < 1$)	None	0.7
CouplingType	type of input/output coupling (coupled line or tapped line transformer)	None	Tapped Line Transformer Input
Delta	length added to coupled sections for tuning performance	mil	0

- 1. A comb-line filter provides a bandpass frequency response between the input and output ports. N coupled-line sections produce an N-1 order filter response. Additional numbers of sections can be used to steepen the transition band roll off or widen the pass bandwidth.
- 2. Because of the heavy computational burden in determining the line parameters, a brief delay will occur for the design.
- 3. A two-layer substrate must be used for this topology.

- 4. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics.
- 5. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency.
- 6. Using a CouplingType of "Coupled Line Transformer Input" will use an extra coupled line section on the inputs and outputs to feed the device. Choosing "Tapped Line Transformer Input" will bring the feedline directly into the first resonator.
- 7. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 in dB and the specified passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequencies. Because only the line lengths are changed, this tuning will typically center the response within the specified passband. More advanced shaping of the passband response can be accomplished by manually tuning the widths and spacings of the coupled filter sections.
- 8. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, refer to: Matthaei, Young and Jones, Microwave Filters, Impedance-Matching Networks, and Coupling Structures, Artech House, 1980, pp. 497.

Example

A comb-line filter was designed for a maximally flat response with the 3 dB passband edge frequencies at 2 GHz and 2.2 GHz respectively. The design required 5coupled lines. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = 168.41 mil.



DSMatch (Double-Stub Match)



Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
Zin	Desired complex input impedance	Ohm	50
Zload	Complex load impedance to match	Ohm	100
Zstub1	Characteristic impedance of stub line 1 (nearest input)	Ohm	50
Zstub2	Characteristic impedance of stub line 2 (nearest output)	Ohm	50
Zline	Characteristic impedance of line between stubs	Ohm	50
Zfeed1	Characteristic impedance of line connected to port 1	Ohm	50
Zfeed2	Characteristic impedance of line connected to port 2	Ohm	50
Stub1Type	Stub 1 type (open or short circuit)	None	Open Circuit
Stub2Type	Stub 2 type (open or short circuit)	None	Open Circuit
Delta	Length added to stubs for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A double-stub matching network matches a complex load impedance (Zload) to a desired complex input impedance (Zin) using two shunt stubs and a connecting line.
- 2. An impedance match can be realized using any combination of stub types, although some combinations can be more realizable.
- 3. Zfeed1 and Zfeed2 are used simply to ensure that the input and output legs of the microstrip tee components are of the proper width.
- 4. The length of the line between the stubs is nominally chosen to be an eighth of a line wavelength. However, if this will not realize the match, the length of line is computed such that the rotated circle on the Smith chart encloses the load admittance.
- 5. MTEE component width constraint violations will be avoided generally by choosing similar characteristic impedances for the line, stub, and feed.
- 6. Since two solutions are possible, the solution that results in the smallest length of stub 1 is chosen. For example, if stub 1 is open circuited, the solution for which stub 1 must realize a capacitive reactance is chosen.
- 7. The input port termination is set to the conjugate of Zin so that the ideal input reflection coefficient will be zero. The output port termination is set to Zload.
- 8. The optimization minimizes the value of S11 (referenced to the conjugate of Zin) at the design center frequency by changing the length of the stubs. Both stubs are tuned by the same length.
- 9. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 266-271.

Example

A double-stub matching network was designed to match a load impedance of 100 - j30Ohms to a 50 Ohm line at a center frequency of 5 GHz with open circuited stubs. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -31.633 mil.



HPFilter (Hairpin Filter)

Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
Fs1	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	1.8
Fp1	Lower passband edge frequency	GHz	2
Fp2	Upper passband edge frequency	GHz	2.2
Fs2	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	2.4
Ар	Passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	3
As	Stopband edge attenuation	dB	20
Ν	Number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	0
ResponseType	Type of frequency response (maximally flat or Chebyshev)	None	Maximally Flat
Zo	Desired input/output impedance	Ohm	50
Sphys	Physical spacing between legs within hairpin resonator; set to zero if Selec specified	mil	0
Selec	Spacing between legs within hairpin resonator in wavelengths; set to zero if Sphys specified	None	0.25
CouplingType	Type of input/output coupling (coupled line or tapped line transformer)	None	Coupled Line Transmission Input
Delta	Length added to coupled sections for tuning performance	mil	0
Notes			

- 1. A hairpin filter provides a bandpass frequency response between the input and output ports. N coupled-line sections produce an N-1 order filter response. Additional numbers of sections can be used to steepen the transition band roll off or widen the pass bandwidth.
- 2. Because of the heavy computational burden in determining the line parameters, a brief delay will occur for the design.

- 3. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics.
- 4. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency.
- 5. Using a Coupled Line Transformer Input CouplingType will use and extra coupled line section on the inputs and outputs to feed the device. Choosing Tapped Line Transformer Input will bring the feedline directly into the first resonator.
- 6. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 in dB and the specified passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequencies. Because only the line lengths are changed, this tuning will typically center the response within the specified passband. More advanced shaping of the passband response can be accomplished by manually tuning the widths and spacings of the coupled filter sections.
- 7. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, refer to: Cristal and Frankel, "Hairpin-line and hybrid hairpin-line/half-wave parallel-coupled-line filters," *IEEE Trans. Microwave Theory and Techniques,* vol MTT-20, pp. 719-728, 1972.

Example

A hairpin filter was designed for a maximally flat response with the 3 dB passband edge frequencies at 2 GHz and 2.2 GHz respectively. Coupled line transformer inputs were used. The design required 4 coupled sections. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -41.682 mil.



IDFilter (Interdigital Filter)



Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	Subst1
Fs1	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	1.8
Fp1	Lower passband edge frequency	GHz	2
Fp2	Upper passband edge frequency	GHz	2.2
Fs2	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	2.4
Ар	Passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	3
As	Stopband edge attenuation	dB	20
Ν	Number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	0
ResponseType	Type of frequency response (Maximally Flat or Chebyshev)	None	Maximally Flat
Zo	Desired input/output impedance	Ohm	50
уа	Normalized interior resonator admittance ($0 < ya < 1$)	None	1
CouplingType	Type of input/output coupling (coupled line or tapped line transformer)	None	Coupled Line Transformer Input
Delta	Length added to coupled sections for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. An interdigital filter provides a bandpass frequency response between the input and output ports. N coupled-line sections produce an N-1 order filter response. Additional numbers of sections can be used to steepen the transition band roll off or widen the pass bandwidth.
- 2. Because of the heavy computational burden in determining the line parameters, a brief delay will occur for the design.
- 3. A two-layer substrate must be used for this topology.
- 4. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics.
- 5. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency.
- 6. Using a CouplingType of "Coupled Line Transformer Input" will use an extra coupled line section on the inputs and outputs to feed the device. Choosing "Tapped Line Transformer Input" will bring the feedline directly into the first resonator.
- 7. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 in dB and the specified passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequencies. Because only the line lengths are changed, this tuning will typically center the response within the specified passband. More advanced shaping of the passband response can be accomplished by manually tuning the widths and spacings of the coupled filter sections.
- 8. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, refer to: Matthaei, Young and Jones, Microwave Filters, Impedance-Matching Networks, and Coupling Structures, Artech House, 1980, pp. 614.

Example

An interdigital filter was designed for a maximally flat response with the 3 dB passband edge frequencies at 2 GHz and 2.2 GHz respectively. The design required 5coupled lines. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = 14.979 mil.



LCoupler (Lange Coupler)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
С	Coupling coefficient	dB	20
N	Number of fingers (4, 6, or 8)	None	4
Zo	Characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
Delta	Length added to fingers for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

1. A Lange coupler outputs from pin 2 a small fraction of the power presented at the input (pin 1). The remainder of the power is passed through pin 3. The coupling coefficient specifies the power ratio P_1/P_2 . Pin 4 is isolated, and often the isolation is

10 dB better than the coupling coefficient in microstrip realizations.

- The Lange coupler is best for weak couplings of roughly 10 dB or more (C >10dB). Choosing the coupling coefficient too small can produce an unrealizable design. If the design creates a finger spacing S that is not realizable, increase the value of N.
- 3. The Design Assistant computes the required even and odd mode impedances to achieve the desired coupling and translates them to finger width and spacing. The length of the fingers is a quarter wavelength at the design frequency.
- 4. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 and the specified coupling coefficient at the design center frequency by changing the length of the fingers section.
- 5. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: I. Bahl and P. Bhartia, Microwave Solid State Circuit Design, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1988, pp. 209-211.

Example

A Lange coupler was designed for a center frequency of 3 GHz with 20 dB of coupling and 6 fingers. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -4.57 mil.



LEMatch (Lumped Component Match)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
Zin	Desired complex input impedance	Ohm	50
Zload	Complex load impedance to match	Ohm	100
NetworkType	Type of network (source to load)	None	Allow
			Selection

- 1. A lumped component matching network uses reactive components to match a complex load impedance (Zload) to a desired complex input impedance (Zin).
- 2. The network type specifies the type of reactive components used (L represents inductance, C represents capacitance) as well as their orientation (series or shunt). The first component specified is that nearest the source, while the second is that nearest the load. If the chosen network type cannot realize the impedance match specified, or if the network type is chosen as "Allow Selection", a dialog box will appear allowing selection from the possible network types that can perform the match.
- 3. Either two or four distinct networks are possible depending on the load and input impedance specified.
- 4. The input port termination is set to the conjugate of Zin so that the ideal input reflection coefficient will be zero. The output port termination is set to Zload.
- 5. No optimization assistant is provided since the design procedure is exact for ideal lumped component models.
- 6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to

Advanced Design System 2011.01 - Passive Circuit DesignGuide generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 252-258.

Example

A lumped component matching network was designed to match a load impedance of 100 - j30 Ohms to an input impedance of 50 Ohms at a center frequency of 1 GHz. A Series L Shunt C configuration was used to realize this match.



QWMatch (Quarter-Wave Match)



Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
DeltaF	Total frequency bandwidth	GHz	0.5
Zo	Desired input impedance	Ohm	50
Rload	Load impedance to match	Ohm	100
ResponseType	Type of frequency response	None	Uniform
N	Number of quarter-wave sections; set N=0 to compute N	None	0
Rmax	Maximum voltage reflection coefficient	None	0.1
Delta	Length added to transformer sections for tuning performance	mil	0

- 1. A quarter-wave matching network matches a real load impedance (Rload) to a desired real input impedance (Zo) using multiple quarter wavelength sections. A specified frequency response can be realized by proper design of the individual sections.
- 2. DeltaF is defined as the total bandwidth centered at the design center frequency.

- 3. If the number of sections N is set to zero, the Design Assistant chooses N such that the reflection coefficient is less that Rmax over the bandwidth DeltaF. The resulting bandwidth may be broader than that specified. Otherwise, Rmax and DeltaF are ignored.
- 4. The ResponseType specifies the distribution of the partial reflection coefficients seen at each section interface Uniform, Binomial, and Chebyshev distributions are available. These in turn specify the shape of the reflection coefficient versus frequency.
- 5. A single-section quarter-wave matching transformer can be designed by setting N = 1.
- 6. Since the reflection coefficient may not be at its minimum value at the design center frequency, the optimization centers the variation of S11 (referenced to the value of Zo) versus frequency at the center frequency by changing the length of each quarter-wave section. All sections are tuned by the same length during the optimization.
- 7. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 275-288; R. S. Elliott, An Introduction to Guided Waves and Microwave Circuits, Prentice Hall, John Wiley, New Jersey, 1993, pp. 218-224.

Example

A quarter-wave matching network was designed to match a load impedance of 100 Ohms to a 50 Ohm line at a center frequency of 4 GHz. Specifying a Chebyshev frequency response for which the reflection coefficient remains below 0.1 over a 3 GHz bandwidth dictates 3 quarter-wave sections. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -2.284 mil.



RAtten (Resistive Attenuator)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Loss	Attenuation	dB	3
Rin	Input resistance	Ohm	50
Rout	Output resistance	Ohm	50
DesignType	Type of attenuator design (pi or tee)	None	Pi

Notes

- 1. A resistive attenuator achieves a specified attenuation while maintaining desired input and output impedance levels.
- 2. The design specifies the resistance values to achieve the specified level of attenuation for the input and output resistances.
- 3. The input resistance Rin must be greater than or equal to the output resistance Rout.
- 4. There is a minimum attenuation that can be achieved for the specified input and

MinimumLoss = $20\log(\sqrt{\frac{Rin}{Rout}} + \sqrt{\frac{Rin}{Rout}} - 1)$ output resistances. This attenuation is given by:

5. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

Example

A 3-dB tee attenuator was designed for a 50 Ohm input and output resistance.



RRCoupler (Rat-Race Coupler)



Symbol
Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
Zo	Characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
Delta	Length added to ring branches for tuning	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A rat-race coupler equally divides the power input at port 1 between ports 2 and 3. The signal at the output ports 2 and 3 are in-phase. Port 4 is isolated from port 1. If the signal is driven from port 2, then the power is divided between ports 1 and 4 with port 3 isolated. The signal at ports 1 and 4 are 180 degrees out of phase, and therefore this device is sometimes referred to as a 180-degree hybrid.
- 2. The design specifies the width and length of the microstrip lines to ensure that the ports are matched to Zo and equal power split is achieved at the design center frequency.
- 3. The optimization minimizes the value of S11 (referenced to the value of Zo) at the design center frequency by changing the length of the ring.
- 4. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 401-407.

Example

A rat-race coupler was designed for a 50 Ohm system impedance at a center frequency of 2 GHz. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -2.099 mil.



SBFilter (Stub Bandpass Filter)



Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
Fs1	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	0.5
Fp1	Lower passband edge frequency	GHz	1.3
Fp2	Upper passband edge frequency	GHz	2.7
Fs2	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	3.5
Ар	Passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	0.1
As	Stopband edge attenuation	dB	20
Ν	Number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	0
ResponseType	Type of frequency response (maximally flat or Chebyshev)	None	Chebyshev
StubConfig	Configuration of interior shunt stubs	None	Two Parallel Stubs
StubType	Shunt Stub Type	None	Short Circuit Quarter Wave
Zo	Desired input/output impedance	Ohm	50
D	Impedance control parameter $(0 < D < 1)$	None	1
Finf	Frequency of infinite attenuation (for open circuit stub type)	GHz	1.0
Delta	Length added to stubs for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A stub bandpass filter provides a bandpass frequency response between the input and output ports. The design uses shunt stubs connected by lengths of transmission line. If the specified passband response is too narrow, large differences in impedance values can result in a non-realizable configuration.
- 2. This design is typically practical for fractional bandwidths of 0.4 to 0.7 or higher. If the bandwidth is too narrow, the design will generally require large differences in impedances between the stubs and the connecting lines, producing an unrealizable configuration.
- 3. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics.
- 4. The parameter StubConfig specifies whether the interior stubs (all but those closest to the source and load) are implemented as a single stub or as two stubs in parallel. Choosing a single stub often produces narrower stub line widths, and therefore this parameter can impact the ability to manufacture.
- 5. The parameter D offers some control over the ratio between the stub impedances at the ends of the filter to those in the interior. In some cases where a MCROSS or MTEE width constraint violation is encountered, decreasing (or increasing) this value in the range 0 < D < 1 can remedy the problem.
- 6. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency.
- 7. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 and the specified passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequencies. All stub lengths are tuned by the same amount. Because only the stub lengths are changed, this tuning will typically center the response within the specified passband. More advanced shaping of the passband response can be accomplished by manually tuning the widths and lengths of all lines.
- 8. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: Matthaei, Young and Jones, Microwave

Example

A stub bandpass filter was designed for a Chebyshev response with a 0.1 dB ripple. The passband edge frequencies are at 1.3GHz and 2.7 GHz respectively. The design uses two parallel stubs in the interior regions with D = 1. The design required 4 stubs. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -19.316 mil.



SIFilter (Stepped Impedance Lowpass Filter)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
Fp	Frequency at passband edge	GHz	1
Ар	Passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	3
Fs	Frequency at stopband edge	GHz	1.2
As	Stopband edge attenuation	dB	20
Ν	Number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	0
ResponseType	Type of frequency response (maximally flat or Chebyshev)	None	Maximally Flat
FElement	First filter component (automatic, capacitive, or inductive)	None	Automatic
Zo	Desired input/output impedance	Ohm	50
ZL	Characteristic impedance of low impedance sections	Ohm	25
ZH	Characteristic impedance of high impedance sections	Ohm	100
Delta	Length added to filter sections for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

1. A stepped impedance filter provides a lowpass frequency response between the input

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- 2. The stepped impedance filter uses wide microstrip lines to approximate shunt capacitors and narrow lines to approximate series inductors in order to provide a lowpass frequency response.
- 3. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics. In order to obtain an impedance match, Chebyshev designs must use an odd number of components (N).
- 4. The parameter FElement specifies whether the first stub is inductive or capacitive. If Automatic is chosen, the first component is inductive if Zo/ZL > ZH/Zo and capacitive otherwise.
- 5. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency.
- 6. Because this filter design strategy is approximate, the resulting stopband attenuation can not satisfy the specification. Choosing more sections than that computed by the design can improve the stopband performance.
- 7. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 and the specified passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequency. All filter sections are tuned by the same amount.
- 8. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: Matthaei, Young and Jones, Microwave Filters, Impedance-Matching Networks, and Coupling Structures, Artech House, 1980, pp. 365-374.

Example

A stepped impedance lowpass filter was designed for a maximally flat response with a 3 dB attenuation at the passband edge frequency of 4 GHz. Choosing FElement as Automatic results in a capacitive first component. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = 27.446 mil.





Parameters

Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
Fp	Frequency at passband edge	GHz	1
Ар	Passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	3
Fs	Frequency at stopband edge	GHz	1.2
As	Stopband edge attenuation	dB	20
Ν	Number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	0
ResponseType	Type of frequency response (maximally flat or Chebyshev)	None	Maximally Flat
StubType	Type of stubs (commensurate or variable length)	None	Variable Length Stub
FElement	First filter component (automatic, capacitive, or inductive)	None	Automatic
Zo	Desired input/output impedance	Ohm	50
ZS	Characteristic impedance of stubs	Ohm	50
ZH	Characteristic impedance of connecting sections	Ohm	90
Delta	Length added to stubs for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A stub lowpass filter provides a lowpass frequency response between the input and output ports. The design is realized using narrow lines to approximate series inductances and shunt open circuited stubs to realize shunt capacitances.
- 2. The stub lowpass filter uses narrow microstrip lines that approximate series inductors connecting open-circuited stubs that approximate shunt capacitors in order to provide a lowpass frequency response.
- 3. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics. In order to obtain an impedance match, Chebyshev designs must use an odd number of components (N).
- 4. If the parameter StubType is set as Commensurate, all stubs will have equal lengths, and the stub line width is computed. The value of ZS is then ignored, and the resulting design can be difficult to realize. If StubType is set as Variable Length Stub, the stub line widths are determined from ZS and the stub lengths are computed from the specifications.
- 5. The parameter FElement specifies whether the first stub is inductive or capacitive. If Automatic is chosen, the first component is set to be capacitive since this tends to offer improvements in manufacturing.
- 6. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency. Because this filter design strategy is approximate, the resulting stopband attenuation may not satisfy the specification. Choosing more sections than that computed by the Design Assistant can improve the stopband performance.
- 7. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 and the specified passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequency by changing the stub lengths. All stubs are tuned by the same amount.

8. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, refer to: Matthaei, Young and Jones, Microwave Filters, Impedance-Matching Networks, and Coupling Structures, Artech House, 1980, pp. 375.

Example

A stub lowpass filter was designed for a maximally flat response with a 3 dB attenuation at the passband edge frequency of 1 GHz. A variable length StubType and automatic FElement resulted in 13 components for the design. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = 164.04 mil.



SRFilter (Stepped Impedance Resonator Filter)



Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
Fs1	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	1.8
Fp1	Lower passband edge frequency	GHz	2
Fp2	Upper passband edge frequency	GHz	2.2
Fs2	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	2.4
Ар	Passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	3
As	Stopband edge attenuation	dB	20
N	Number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	0
ResponseType	Type of frequency response (maximally flat or Chebyshev)	None	Maximally Flat
Zo	Desired input/output impedance	Ohm	50
Fsp	Center frequency of first spurious passband	GHz	4.1
Delta	Length added to filter sections for tuning performance	mil	0

- 1. A stepped impedance resonator filter provides a bandpass frequency response between the input and output ports. N coupled-line sections produce an N-1 order filter response. Additional numbers of sections can be used to steepen the transition band roll off or widen the pass bandwidth. The use on non-uniform impedance for each resonator moves the second pass band center frequency away from the second harmonic of the fundamental frequency.
- 2. Because of the heavy computational burden in determining the line parameters, a brief delay will occur for the design.
- 3. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics.
- 4. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency.
- 5. The center frequency of the first spurious passband should be on the order of twice the fundamental passband center frequency.
- 6. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 in dB and the specified passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequencies. Because only the line lengths are changed, this tuning will typically center the response within the specified passband. More advanced shaping of the passband response can be accomplished by manually tuning the widths and spacings of the coupled filter sections.
- 7. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, refer to: Makimoto and Yamashita, "Bandpass filters using parallel coupled stripline stepped impedance resonators," *IEEE Trans. Microwave Theory and Techniques*, vol MTT-28, pp. 1413-1417, 1980.

Example

A stepped impedance resonator filter was designed for a maximally flat response with the 3 dB passband edge frequencies at 2 GHz and 2.2 GHz respectively. The second passband was set to 4.1 GHz. The design required 4 coupled lines. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = 0.785 mil.



SSMatch (Single-Stub Match)



Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
Zin	Desired complex input impedance	Ohm	50
Zload	Complex load impedance to match	Ohm	100
Zstub	Characteristic impedance of stub line	Ohm	50
Zline	Characteristic impedance of line	Ohm	50
Zfeed	Characteristic impedance of line connected to port 1 or 2	Ohm	50
StubType	Stub type (open or short circuit)	None	Open Circuit
NetType	Network type (source to load)	None	Automatic
Delta	Length added to stub for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A single-stub matching network matches a complex load impedance (Zload) to a desired complex input impedance (Zin) using a single shunt stub and length of line.
- 2. The parameter NetType can be Automatic, stub-line, or line-stub, with the latter two choices representing configurations that have a stub followed by a line or vice-versa as the network is observed from source to load. Many impedance combinations can be realized using both possible types, although some can only be realized using one of the two choices. Choosing Automatic will ensure a realizable choice is given.
- 3. An impedance match can be realized using either stub type.
- 4. Zline represents the impedance of the line either next to the source or load (depending on the value of NetType). Zfeed represents the desired impedance on the other side of the stub from the line and is used to ensure that the corresponding leg of the microstrip tee component is of the proper width.
- 5. MTEE component width constraint violations will be avoided generally by choosing similar characteristic impedances for the line, stub, and feed.
- 6. The input port termination is set to the conjugate of Zin so that the ideal input reflection coefficient will be zero. The output port termination is set to Zload.
- 7. The optimization minimizes the value of S11 (referenced to the conjugate of Zin) at the design center frequency by changing the length of the stub.
- 8. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 258-266.

Example

A single-stub matching network was designed to match a load impedance of 100 - j25 Ohms to a 50 Ohms line at a center frequency of 2GHz. Choosing an open-circuit stub with automatic selection of the NetType resulted in a stub-line configuration. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta =-5.078 mil.

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TCoupler (Tee Power Divider)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
Zo1	Characteristic impedance of input port 1	Ohm	50
Zo2	Characteristic impedance of output port 2	Ohm	50
Zo3	Characteristic impedance of output port 3	Ohm	50
K	Ratio of power out port 2 to power out port 3	None	1.0
Delta	Length added to quarter-wave sections for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A tee power divider splits the power at the input (pin 1) between the two outputs (pins 2 and 3). Unequal or equal power splits can be realized. The input port will be matched to its feeding line, although in general the output ports will not be matched.
- 2. The value of K can be set to realize the desired power split out of ports 2 and 3. However, choosing K larger than 3 to 4 (or smaller than 1/3 to 1/4) can cause the ratio of the widths of the tee branches to violate the range of the MTEE simulation model. While the simulation will still proceed, the results can have some inaccuracies.
- 3. Quarter-wave matching sections are provided on the output ports to ensure a proper power split is achieved.
- 4. The optimization minimizes the input reflection coefficient (S11) at the design center frequency by changing the length of the quarter wave transformers on the output legs.
- 5. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering,

Example

A tee power divider was designed for a center frequency of 1 GHz with an unequal power split (K=3.5). Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -34.633 mil.



TLMatch (Tapered-Line Match)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Zo	Desired input impedance	Ohm	50
Rload	Load impedance to match	Ohm	100
ResponseType	Type of frequency response (exponential, triangular, Klopfenstein)	None	Exponential
L	Length of tapered line in wavelengths at frequency F (set L=0 to compute L)	None	0.0
Rmax	Maximum voltage reflection coefficient	None	0.1
NSection	Number of linear taper sections per wavelength	None	20

Notes

- 1. A tapered-line matching network matches a real load impedance (Rload) to a desired real input impedance (Zo) using a continuously varying line characteristic impedance to realize a specified frequency response. The reflection coefficient remains below the specified maximum value for all frequencies above the design frequency.
- 2. The continuous impedance taper of this circuit is approximated using a sequence of linear tapers. Increasing the number of sections per wavelength (NSection) will improve the approximation to the defined taper.
- 3. If the length of the line L is set to zero, the Design Assistant chooses L such that the reflection coefficient is less than Rmax for all frequencies above the design frequency.

Otherwise, Rmax is ignored.

- 4. The ResponseType specifies the distribution of the impedance along the length of the line and therefore determines the frequency response of the match.
- 5. No Optimization Assistant is provided since the design process is exact to within the approximation of the continuous impedance taper using multiple linear taper segments. Increasing the value of NSection will improve the computed response.
- 6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 288-295.

Example

A tapered-line matching network was designed to match a load impedance of 100 Ohms to a 50 Ohms line at a center frequency of 4 GHz. Specifying a Klopfenstein frequency response for which the reflection coefficient remains below 0.1 along with 30 sections per wavelength dictates 18 tapered-line sections to realize the match. The plot has been shown in linear magnitude rather than dB to emphasize the equal-ripple frequency response.



WDCoupler (Wilkinson Divider)



Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
DeltaF	Frequency bandwidth	GHz	0.5
Zo	Characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
ResponseType	Type of frequency response	None	Uniform
Ν	Number of quarter-wave sections; set N=0 to compute N	None	0
Rmax	Maximum voltage reflection coefficient on input port	None	0.1
К	Ratio of power out port 2 to power out port 3	None	1.0
Wgap	Width of gap for resistor	mil	50
Delta	Length added to quarter-wave branches for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A Wilkinson power divider splits the power at the input (pin 1) between the two outputs (pins 2 and 3). Unequal or equal power splits can be realized. The signals at the outputs are in phase. All three ports will be matched, and ports 2 and 3 will in general be well isolated from each other.
- 2. For broadband performance, the divider can have multiple quarter-wave sections. If the number of sections N is set to zero, the Design Assistant chooses N such that such that the reflection coefficient is less than Rmax over the bandwidth DeltaF (centered at the design center frequency). the resulting bandwidth can be broader than that specified. Otherwise, Rmax and DeltaF are ignored.
- 3. ResponseType specifies the distribution of the partial reflection coefficients seen at each section interface Uniform, Binomial, and Chebyshev distributions are available. These in turn specify the shape of the reflection coefficient versus frequency.
- 4. For a single section divider (N=1), the value of K can be set to realize the desired power split out of ports 2 and 3. Be aware that choosing K larger than 3 to 4 (or smaller than 1/3 to 1/4) is likely to cause difficulties in the design.
- 5. Pozar specifies $K^2 = P3/P2$, while the DesignGuide uses $K^2 = P2/P3$. Therefore, if you use the equations in Pozar to verify everything, you must substitute 1/K for K. The DesignGuide automatically puts quarter-wave matching sections on ports 2 and 3, so all ports are matched to the characteristic impedance. If you remove these matching segments, the output impedances are those specified by Pozar.
- 6. The optimization minimizes the input reflection coefficient (S11) at the design center frequency by changing the length of the quarter wave branches forming the divider.
- 7. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 363-368.

Example

A single-section Wilkinson power divider (N=1) was designed for a center frequency of 5 GHz with an equal power split (K=1) and a gap width for the resistor of 50 mil. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = 58.03 mil.



ZZFilter (Zig-Zag Coupled-Line Filter)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Microstrip substrate name	None	MSub1
Fs1	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	1.8
Fp1	Lower passband edge frequency	GHz	2
Fp2	Upper passband edge frequency	GHz	2.2
Ар	Passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	2.4
As	Stopband edge attenuation	dB	3
N	Number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	20
ResponseType	Type of frequency response (maximally flat or Chebyshev)	None	0
Zo	Desired input/output impedance	Ohm	Maximally Flat
Delta	Length added to coupled sections for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A zig-zag coupled-line filter provides a bandpass frequency response between the input and output ports. The design uses a coupled-line filter topology but includes 90 degree bend between each coupled section so that the layout is more compact.
- 2. Because of the heavy computational burden in determining the line parameters, a brief delay will occur for the design.
- 3. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics.
- 4. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency.
- 5. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 and the specified

passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequencies. Because only the line lengths are changed, this tuning will typically center the response within the specified passband. More advanced shaping of the passband response can be accomplished by manually tuning the widths and spacings of the coupled filter sections.

6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 477-485.

Example

A zig-zag coupled-line filter was designed for a maximally flat response with the 3 dB passband edge frequencies at 2 GHz and 2.4 GHz respectively. The design required 4 coupled-line sections. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -6.233 mil.



Passive Stripline Components

- SBend (Stripline Bend Component) (dgpas)
- SCLine (Stripline Coupled Line Component) (dgpas)
- SCross (Stripline Cross Component) (dgpas)
- SCurve (Stripline Curve Component) (dgpas)
- SLine (Stripline Line Component) (dgpas)
- SStep (Stripline Step Component) (dgpas)
- SStub (Stripline Stub Component) (dgpas)
- STee (Stripline Tee Component) (dgpas)

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A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

SBend (Stripline Bend Component)



Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Zo	Desired characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
BendType	Type of bend	None	Unmitered
Angle	Angle of bend (for SBEND, SBEND2)	None	90
М	Miter fraction (for SBEND2)	None	0.6

Notes

- 1. SBend designs a stripline bend given the substrate, desired characteristic impedance, and bend properties. The design realizes the native SBEND, SBEND2, or SMITER components.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- BendType can be Unmitered (SBEND), Arbitrary Angle/Miter (SBEND2), or 90 Degree/Optimally Mitered (SMITER). SBEND requires the parameter Angle and SBEND2 requires the parameters Angle and M. Refer to the discussion of these components in the ADS Stripline Components (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description.
- 5. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

SCLine (Stripline Coupled Line Component)

Symbol



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Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Zoe	Even-mode characteristic impedance	Ohm	55
Zoo	Odd-mode characteristic impedance	Ohm	45
Zo1	Characteristic impedance of input line at port 1	Ohm	50
Zo2	Characteristic impedance of input line at port 2	Ohm	50
Zo3	Characteristic impedance of input line at port 3	Ohm	50
Zo4	Characteristic impedance of input line at port 4	Ohm	50
Lphys	Physical line length; set to zero if Lelec specified	mil	0
Lelec	Line length in wavelengths; set to zero if Lphys specified	None	0.25

Notes

- 1. SCLine designs a stripline coupled line component given the substrate, desired evenand odd-mode characteristic impedances, and physical or electrical length.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- 4. For proper operation, either Lphys or Lelec must be zero.
- 5. Zo1 through Zo4 specify the impedance of the lines attached to this component and are provided to ensure proper pin location in the layout. Refer to the discussion of the SCLIN component in the *ADS Stripline Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description of the model used for this component.
- 6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

SCross (Stripline Cross Component)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Z1	Characteristic impedance of port 1	Ohm	50
Z2	Characteristic impedance of port 2	Ohm	50
Z3	Characteristic impedance of port 3	Ohm	50
Z4	Characteristic impedance of port 4	Ohm	50

Notes

1. SCross designs a stripline cross given the substrate and desired characteristic

impedance on each port.

- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- 4. Refer to the discussion of the SCROSS component in the *ADS Stripline Components* (ccdist) documentation for a detailed description of this component.
- 5. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

SCurve (Stripline Curve Component)



Parameters

Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Zo	Desired characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
Angle	Angle of curve	None	90
Radius	Radius of curvature (set to zero if Lelec specified)	mil	100
Lelec	Curve length in wavelengths (set to zero if Radius specified)	None	0

Notes

- 1. SCurve designs a stripline curve given the substrate, desired characteristic impedance, and curve properties. The design realizes the native SCURVE component.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- 4. Either Lelec or Radius must be zero for proper operation.
- 5. Refer to the discussion of the SCURVE component in the *ADS Stripline Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description.
- 6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

SLine (Stripline Line Component)



Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Zo	Desired characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
Lphys	Physical line length; set to zero if Lelec specified	mil	0
Lelec	Line length in wavelengths; set to zero if Lphys specified	None	0.25

Notes

- 1. SLine designs a stripline given the substrate, desired characteristic impedance, and physical or electrical length.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width and length, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- 4. For proper operation, either Lphys or Lelec must be zero.
- 5. Refer to the discussion of the SLIN component in the *ADS Stripline Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description of the model used for this component.
- 6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

SStep (Stripline Step Component)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Z1	Characteristic impedance of port 1	Ohm	50
Z2	Characteristic impedance of port 2	Ohm	25

Notes

- 1. SStep designs a stripline step given the substrate and desired characteristic impedances.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- 4. Refer to the discussion of the SSTEP component in the *ADS Stripline Components* (ccdist) documentation for a detailed description of this component.
- 5. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

SStub (Stripline Stub Component)



Parameters

Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Zo	Desired characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
Lphys	Physical line length	mil	0
Lelec	Line length in wavelengths	None	0
Xin	Desired input reactance	Ohm	0
Cin	Desired input capacitance	pF	0
Lin	Desired input inductance	nH	0
StubType	Type of stub	None	Open Circuit

Notes

- 1. SStub designs a stripline open or short circuited stub given the substrate, desired characteristic impedance, and physical or electrical length. The design realizes the native SLOC, SLSC, and SLEF components.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. Only one of Lphys, Lelec, Xin, Cin, and Lin can be non-zero.
- 4. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width and length, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- 5. For proper operation, only one of Lphys, Lelec, Xin, Cin, and Lin can be non-zero.
- StubType can be either Open Circuit (SLOC), End Effect (SLEF), or Short Circuit (SLSC). Refer to the discussion of these components in the *ADS Stripline Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description of these different options.
- 7. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

STee (Stripline Tee Component)



Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
F	Design frequency	GHz	1
Z1	Characteristic impedance of port 1	Ohm	50
Z2	Characteristic impedance of port 2	Ohm	50
Z3	Characteristic impedance of port 3	Ohm	50

Notes

- 1. STee designs a stripline tee given the substrate and desired characteristic impedance at each port.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. Since the design uses the models inherent to ADS to compute the line width and length, there is no need for a dedicated Simulation Assistant, Optimization Assistant, or Display Assistant.
- 4. Z1, Z2, and Z3 are used to determine the widths of each port. Refer to the discussion of the STEE component in the *ADS Stripline Components* (ccdist) documentation for a more detailed description of this component.
- 5. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

Passive Stripline Circuits

- SBLCoupler (Stripline Branch-Line Coupler) (dgpas)
- SCLCoupler (Stripline Coupled-Line Coupler) (dgpas)
- SCLFilter (Stripline Coupled-Line Filter) (dgpas)
- SCMFilter (Stripline Comb-Line Filter) (dgpas)
- SDSMatch (Stripline Double-Stub Match) (dgpas)
- SHPFilter (Stripline Hairpin Filter) (dgpas)
- SIDFilter (Stripline Interdigital Filter) (dgpas)
- SQWMatch (Stripline Quarter-Wave Match) (dgpas)
- SRRCoupler (Stripline Rat-Race Coupler) (dgpas)
- SSBFilter (Stripline Stub Bandpass Filter) (dgpas)
- SSIFilter (Stripline Stepped Impedance Lowpass Filter) (dgpas)
- SSLFilter (Stripline Stub Lowpass Filter) (dgpas)
- SSRFilter (Stripline Stepped Impedance Resonator Filter) (dgpas)
- SSSMatch (Stripline Single-Stub Match) (dgpas)
- STCoupler (Stripline Tee Power Divider) (dgpas)
- SWDCoupler (Stripline Wilkinson Divider) (dgpas)

SBLCoupler (Stripline Branch-Line Coupler)



Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
DeltaF	Total frequency bandwidth	GHz	0.5
Zo	Characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
ResponseType	Type of frequency response	None	Chebyshev
Ν	Number of coupler sections; set N=0 to compute N	None	0
Rmax	Maximum voltage reflection coefficient at the input	None	0.5
С	Coupling coefficient	dB	3
Delta	Length added to branches for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

1. A branch-line coupler outputs from the coupled port (pin 3) a fraction of the power presented at the input (pin 1). The remainder of the power is passed through to the output port (pin 2). At the center frequency the phase difference between the outputs is 90 degrees, with the coupled port representing the quadrature (Q) output and the output port representing the in-phase (I) output. The coupling coefficient specifies the ratio of the input power to the coupled power (P_1/P_3). Pin 4 represents

the isolated port, and it is typically well isolated from the input port near the center frequency.

- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. The coupling coefficient must be positive and greater than 3 dB. Best results are obtained for tight couplings of 6 dB or better (C < 6 dB). Choosing the coupling parameter larger than 6 dB often causes width constraint violations to occur on the STEE components, resulting in warning messages during design and simulation. A coupling coefficient of 3 dB provides an equal power split between the two outputs.</p>
- 4. For broadband performance, the coupler can have multiple sections. If the number of sections N is set to zero, the Design Assistant chooses N such that the reflection coefficient is less than Rmax over the bandwidth DeltaF (centered at the design center frequency). The resulting bandwidth can be broader than that specified. Otherwise, rmax and DeltaF are ignored.
- 5. The ResponseType specifies the distribution of the partial reflection coefficients seen at each section interface - Uniform, Binomial, and Chebyshev distributions are available.
- 6. The optimization minimizes the input reflection coefficient (S11) at the design center frequency by changing the length of the lines forming the four branches. All branches are changed by the same physical length during the optimization. This optimization generally provides very good results but can not guarantee that the specified coupling is attained at the design frequency. More advanced tuning can be performed by changing line width of the branch lines.
- 7. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 379-383.

Example

A single-section branch-line coupler was designed for a center frequency of 5 GHz with an equal power split between the I and Q ports. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = 36.093 mil.

SSub		0- C(dB)= 3.00
SSUB	DA_SBLCoupler1_test	-5 M1
SSub1	DA_SBLCoupler1	-10-
Er=2.5	Subst="SSub1"	-15
Mur=1 B=62.5 mil	F=5 GHz DeltaE=0.5 GHz	€ -20-
T=0 mil	Zo=50 Ohm	-25
Cond=1.0E+5	0 ResponseType=Chebyshev	-30
TanD=0	N=1	-35
	C=3 dB	-40
	Delta=36.093 mil	i 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 1

SCLCoupler (Stripline Coupled-Line Coupler)



Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
С	Coupling coefficient	dB	20
Zo	Characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
Delta	Length added to branches for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

1. A coupled-line coupler outputs from the coupled port (pin 4) a fraction of the power presented at the input (pin 1). The remainder of the power is passed through to the output port (pin 2). The coupling coefficient specifies the ratio of the input power to the coupled power (P_1/P_4). The remaining port is isolated, although the isolation is

often similar in value to the coupling coefficient for microstrip realizations.

- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S41 in dB and the specified coupling coefficient at the design center frequency by changing the length of the coupled-line section.
- 4. The coupling coefficient must be positive and greater than 3 dB. Best results are obtained for weak couplings of roughly 10 dB or more (C > 10dB). Choosing the coupling coefficient too small can require a spacing between the coupled lines too small to realize.
- 5. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 383-394.

Example

A coupled-line coupler was designed for a center frequency of 5 GHz with 20 dB of coupling. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -0.261 mil.



SCLFilter (Stripline Coupled-Line Filter)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
Fs1	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	1.8
Fp1	lower passband edge frequency	GHz	2
Fp2	upper passband edge frequency	GHz	2.2
Fs2	lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	2.4
Ар	passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	3
As	stopband edge attenuation	dB	20
Ν	number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	0
ResponseType	type of frequency response (maximally flat or Chebyshev)	None	Maximally Flat
Zo	desired input/output impedance	Ohm	50
CouplingType	Type of input/output coupling	None	Coupled Line Transformer Input
Delta	length added to coupled sections for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

 A coupled-line filter provides a bandpass frequency response between the input and output ports. N coupled-line sections produces an N-1 order filter response. Additional numbers of sections can be used to steepen the transition band roll off or widen the pass bandwidth.

- 2. Because of the heavy computational burden in determining the line parameters, a brief delay will occur for the design.
- 3. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 4. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics.
- 5. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency.
- 6. Using a Coupled Line Transformer Input CouplingType will use and extra coupled line section on the inputs and outputs to feed the device. Choosing Tapped Line Transformer Input will bring the feedline directly into the first resonator.
- 7. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 in dB and the specified passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequencies. Because only the line lengths are changed, this tuning will typically center the response within the specified passband. More advanced shaping of the passband response can be accomplished by manually tuning the widths and spacings of the coupled filter sections.
- 8. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 477-485.

Example

A coupled-line filter was designed for a maximally flat response with the 3 dB passband edge frequencies at 2 GHz and 2.4 GHz respectively. Coupled Line Transformer Inputs were used. The design required 4 coupled-line sections. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -1.632 mil.

SSub	₽ <mark>₽</mark> ₽
SSUB SSub1 Er=2.5 Mur=1 B=62.5 mil T=0 mil Cond=1.0E TanD=0	DA_SCLFilter1_test DA_SCLFilter1 Subst="SSub1" Fs1=1.8 GHz Fp1=2 GHz Fp2=2.2 GHz Fp2=2.2 GHz Fs2=2.4 GHz Ap=3 dB As=20 dB N=0 ResponseType=Maximally Flat Zo=50 Ohm CouplingType=Coupled Line Transformer Input Delta=-1.632 mil



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SCMFilter (Stripline Comb-Line Filter)



Parameters

Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	Subst1
Fs1	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	1.8
Fp1	Lower passband edge frequency	GHz	2
Fp2	Upper passband edge frequency	GHz	2.2
Fs2	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	2.4
Ар	Passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	3
As	Stopband edge attenuation	dB	20
N	Number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	0
ResponseType	Type of frequency response (maximally flat or Chebyshev)	None	Maximally Flat
Zo	Desired input/output impedance	Ohm	50
Lelec	Electrical length of filter resonators (the units of Leclec are in fractions of a wavelength i.e., $0.25=1/4$ wavelength)	None	0.05
уа	Normalized interior resonator admittance ($0 < ya < 1$)	None	0.7
CouplingType	Type of input/output coupling (coupled line or tapped line transformer)	None	Tapped Line Transformer Input
Delta	Length added to coupled sections for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A comb-line filter provides a bandpass frequency response between the input and output ports. N coupled-line sections produce an N-1 order filter response. Additional numbers of sections can be used to steepen the transition band roll off or widen the pass bandwidth.
- 2. Because of the heavy computational burden in determining the line parameters, a brief delay will occur for the design.
- 3. A three-layer substrate must be used for this topology.
- 4. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics.

- 5. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency.
- 6. Using a CouplingType of "Coupled Line Transformer Input" will use an extra coupled line section on the inputs and outputs to feed the device. Choosing "Tapped Line Transformer Input" will bring the feedline directly into the first resonator.
- 7. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 in dB and the specified passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequencies. Because only the line lengths are changed, this tuning will typically center the response within the specified passband. More advanced shaping of the passband response can be accomplished by manually tuning the widths and spacings of the coupled filter sections.
- 8. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, refer to: Matthaei, Young and Jones, Microwave Filters, Impedance-Matching Networks, and Coupling Structures, Artech House, 1980, pp. 497.

Example

A comb-line filter was designed for a maximally flat response with the 3 dB passband edge frequencies at 2 GHz and 2.2 GHz respectively. The design required 3 coupled lines. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -11.078 mil.





SDSMatch (Stripline Double-Stub Match)



Parameters

Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
Zin	Desired complex input impedance	Ohm	50
Zload	Complex load impedance to match	Ohm	100
Zstub1	Characteristic impedance of stub line 1 (nearest input)	Ohm	50
Zstub2	Characteristic impedance of stub line 2 (nearest output)	Ohm	50
Zline	Characteristic impedance of line between stubs	Ohm	50
Zfeed1	Characteristic impedance of line connected to port 1	Ohm	50
Zfeed2	Characteristic impedance of line connected to port 2	Ohm	50
Stub1Type	Stub 1 type (open or short circuit)	None	Open Circuit
Stub2Type	Stub 2 type (open or short circuit)	None	Open Circuit
Delta	Length added to stubs for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A double-stub matching network matches a complex load impedance (Zload) to a desired complex input impedance (Zin) using two shunt stubs and a connecting line.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. An impedance match can be realized using any combination of stub types, although some combinations can be more realizable.
- 4. Zfeed1 and Zfeed2 are used simply to ensure that the input and output legs of the microstrip tee components are of the proper width.
- 5. The length of the line between the stubs is nominally chosen to be an eighth of a line wavelength. However, if this will not realize the match, the length of line is computed

such that the rotated circle on the Smith chart encloses the load admittance.

- 6. STEE component width constraint violations will be avoided generally by choosing similar characteristic impedances for the line, stub, and feed.
- 7. Since two solutions are possible, the solution that results in the smallest length of stub 1 is chosen. For example, if stub 1 is open circuited, the solution for which stub 1 must realize a capacitive reactance is chosen.
- 8. The input port termination is set to the conjugate of Zin so that the ideal input reflection coefficient will be zero. The output port termination is set to Zload.
- 9. The optimization minimizes the value of S11 (referenced to the conjugate of Zin) at the design center frequency by changing the length of the stubs. Both stubs are tuned by the same length.
- 10. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 266-271.

Example

A double-stub matching network was designed to match a load impedance of 100 - j30Ohms to a 50 Ohm line at a center frequency of 5 GHz with open circuited stubs. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta =-20.968 mil.



SHPFilter (Stripline Hairpin Filter)



Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
Fs1	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	1.8
Fp1	Lower passband edge frequency	GHz	2
Fp2	Upper passband edge frequency	GHz	2.2
Fs2	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	2.4
Ар	Passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	3
As	Stopband edge attenuation	dB	20
Ν	Number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	0
ResponseType	Type of frequency response (maximally flat or Chebyshev)	None	Maximally Flat
Zo	Desired input/output impedance	Ohm	50
Sphys	Physical spacing between legs within hairpin resonator; set to zero if Selec specified	mil	0
Selec	Spacing between legs within hairpin resonator in wavelengths; set to zero if Sphys specified	None	0.25
CouplingType	Type of input/output coupling (coupled line or tapped line transformer)	None	Coupled Line Transmission Input
Delta	Length added to coupled sections for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A hairpin filter provides a bandpass frequency response between the input and output ports. N coupled-line sections produce an N-1 order filter response. Additional numbers of sections can be used to steepen the transition band roll off or widen the pass bandwidth.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. Because of the heavy computational burden in determining the line parameters, a brief delay will occur for the design.
- 4. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics.
- 5. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency.
- 6. Using a Coupled Line Transformer Input CouplingType will use and extra coupled line section on the inputs and outputs to feed the device. Choosing Tapped Line Transformer Input will bring the feedline directly into the first resonator.
- 7. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 in dB and the specified passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequencies. Because only the line lengths are changed, this tuning will typically center the response within the specified passband. More advanced shaping of the passband response can be accomplished by manually tuning the widths and spacings of the coupled filter sections.
- 8. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, refer to: Cristal and Frankel, "Hairpin-line and hybrid hairpin-line/half-wave parallel-coupled-line filters," *IEEE Trans. Microwave Theory and Techniques,* vol MTT-20, pp. 719-728, 1972.

Example

A hairpin filter was designed for a maximally flat response with the 3 dB passband edge frequencies at 2 GHz and 2.2 GHz respectively. Coupled line transformer inputs were used. The design required 4 coupled sections. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -37.682 mil.

SSub	↓ = - ∂
SSUB SSub1 Er=2.5 Mur=1 B=62.5 mil T=0 mil Cond=1.0E TanD=0	DA_SHPFilter1_test DA_SHPFilter1 Subst="SSub1" Fs1=1.8 GHz Fp1=2 GHz Fp2=2.2 GHz Fp2=2.2 GHz Ap=3 dB As=20 dB N=0 ResponseType=Maximally Flat Zo=50 Ohm Sphys=0 mil Selec=0.25 CouplingType=Coupled Line Transformer Input Delta=-37.682 mil
-10	M1 B



SIDFilter (Stripline Interdigital Filter)



Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	Subst1
Fs1	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	1.8
Fp1	Lower passband edge frequency	GHz	2
Fp2	Upper passband edge frequency	GHz	2.2
Fs2	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	2.4
Ар	Passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	3
As	Stopband edge attenuation	dB	20
Ν	Number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	0
ResponseType	Type of frequency response (Maximally Flat or Chebyshev)	None	Maximally Flat
Zo	Desired input/output impedance	Ohm	50
уа	Normalized interior resonator admittance ($0 < ya < 1$)	None	1
CouplingType	Type of input/output coupling (coupled line or tapped line transformer)	None	Coupled Line Transformer Input
Delta	Length added to coupled sections for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. An interdigital filter provides a bandpass frequency response between the input and output ports. N coupled-line sections produce an N-1 order filter response. Additional numbers of sections can be used to steepen the transition band roll off or widen the pass bandwidth.
- 2. Because of the heavy computational burden in determining the line parameters, a brief delay will occur for the design.
- 3. A three-layer substrate must be used for this topology.
- 4. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics.
- 5. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency.
- 6. Using a CouplingType of "Coupled Line Transformer Input" will use an extra coupled line section on the inputs and outputs to feed the device. Choosing "Tapped Line Transformer Input" will bring the feedline directly into the first resonator.
- 7. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 in dB and the specified passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequencies. Because only the line lengths are changed, this tuning will typically center the response within the specified passband. More advanced shaping of the passband response can be accomplished by manually tuning the widths and spacings of the coupled filter sections.
- 8. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, refer to: Matthaei, Young and Jones, Microwave Filters, Impedance-Matching Networks, and Coupling Structures, Artech House, 1980, pp. 614.

Example

An interdigital filter was designed for a maximally flat response with the 3 dB passband edge frequencies at 2 GHz and 2.2 GHz respectively. The design required 5 coupled lines. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -0.438 mil.





SQWMatch (Stripline Quarter-Wave Match)



Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
DeltaF	Total frequency bandwidth	GHz	0.5
Zo	Desired input impedance	Ohm	50
Rload	Load impedance to match	Ohm	100
ResponseType	Type of frequency response	None	Uniform
N	Number of quarter-wave sections; set N=0 to compute N	None	0
Rmax	Maximum voltage reflection coefficient	None	0.1
Delta	Length added to transformer sections for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A quarter-wave matching network matches a real load impedance (Rload) to a desired real input impedance (Zo) using multiple quarter wavelength sections. A specified frequency response can be realized by proper design of the individual sections.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. DeltaF is defined as the total bandwidth centered at the design center frequency.
- 4. If the number of sections N is set to zero, the Design Assistant chooses N such that the reflection coefficient is less that Rmax over the bandwidth DeltaF. The resulting bandwidth may be broader than that specified. Otherwise, Rmax and DeltaF are ignored.
- 5. The ResponseType specifies the distribution of the partial reflection coefficients seen at each section interface - Uniform, Binomial, and Chebyshev distributions are available. These in turn specify the shape of the reflection coefficient versus frequency.
- 6. A single-section quarter-wave matching transformer can be designed by setting N = 1.
- 7. Since the reflection coefficient may not be at its minimum value at the design center frequency, the optimization centers the variation of S11 (referenced to the value of Zo) versus frequency at the center frequency by changing the length of each quarter-wave section. All sections are tuned by the same length during the optimization.
- 8. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 275-288; R. S. Elliott, An Introduction to Guided Waves and Microwave Circuits, Prentice Hall, John Wiley, New Jersey, 1993, pp. 218-224.

Example

A quarter-wave matching network was designed to match a load impedance of 100 Ohms to a 50 Ohm line at a center frequency of 4 GHz. Specifying a Chebyshev frequency response for which the reflection coefficient remains below 0.1 over a 3 GHz bandwidth dictates 3 quarter-wave sections. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta =-1.544 mil.



SRRCoupler (Stripline Rat-Race Coupler)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
Zo	Characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
Delta	Length added to ring branches for tuning	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A rat-race coupler equally divides the power input at port 1 between ports 2 and 3. The signal at the output ports 2 and 3 are in-phase. Port 4 is isolated from port 1. If the signal is driven from port 2, then the power is divided between ports 1 and 4 with port 3 isolated. The signal at ports 1 and 4 are 180 degrees out of phase, and therefore this device is sometimes referred to as a 180-degree hybrid.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. The design specifies the width and length of the microstrip lines to ensure that the ports are matched to Zo and equal power split is achieved at the design center frequency.
- 4. The optimization minimizes the value of S11 (referenced to the value of Zo) at the design center frequency by changing the length of the ring.
- 5. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 401-407.

Example

A rat-race coupler was designed for a 50 Ohm system impedance at a center frequency of 2 GHz. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -0.743 mil.



SSBFilter (Stripline Stub Bandpass Filter)



Symbol

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
Fs1	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	0.5
Fp1	Lower passband edge frequency	GHz	1.3
Fp2	Upper passband edge frequency	GHz	2.7
Fs2	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	3.5
Ар	Passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	0.1
As	Stopband edge attenuation	dB	20
Ν	Number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	0
ResponseType	Type of frequency response (maximally flat or Chebyshev)	None	Chebyshev
StubConfig	Configuration of interior shunt stubs	None	Two Parallel Stubs
StubType	Shunt Stub Type	None	Short Circuit Quarter Wave
Zo	Desired input/output impedance	Ohm	50
D	Impedance control parameter $(0 < D < 1)$	None	1
Finf	Frequency of infinite attenuation (for open circuit stub type)	GHz	1.0
Delta	Length added to stubs for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A stub bandpass filter provides a bandpass frequency response between the input and output ports. The design uses shunt stubs connected by lengths of transmission line. If the specified passband response is too narrow, large differences in impedance values can result in a non-realizable configuration.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.

- 3. This design is typically practical for fractional bandwidths of 0.4 to 0.7 or higher. If the bandwidth is too narrow, the design will generally require large differences in impedances between the stubs and the connecting lines, producing an unrealizable configuration.
- 4. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics.
- 5. The parameter StubConfig specifies whether the interior stubs (all but those closest to the source and load) are implemented as a single stub or as two stubs in parallel. Choosing a single stub often produces narrower stub line widths, and therefore this parameter can impact the ability to manufacture.
- 6. The parameter D offers some control over the ratio between the stub impedances at the ends of the filter to those in the interior. In some cases where a SCROSS or STEE width constraint violation is encountered, decreasing (or increasing) this value in the range 0 < D < 1 can remedy the problem.
- 7. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency.
- 8. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 and the specified passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequencies. All stub lengths are tuned by the same amount. Because only the stub lengths are changed, this tuning will typically center the response within the specified passband. More advanced shaping of the passband response can be accomplished by manually tuning the widths and lengths of all lines.
- 9. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: Matthaei, Young and Jones, Microwave Filters, Impedance-Matching Networks, and Coupling Structures, Artech House, 1980, pp. 595-608.

Example

A stub bandpass filter was designed for a Chebyshev response with a 0.1 dB ripple. The passband edge frequencies are at 1.3GHz and 2.7 GHz respectively. The design uses two parallel stubs in the interior regions with D = 1. The design required 4 stubs. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -25.279 mil.
	SSub	
	SSUB SSub1 Er=2.5 Mur=1 B=62.5 mi T=0 mil Cond=1.0E TanD=0	DA_SSBFilter1_test DA_SSBFilter1 Subst="SSub1" Fs1=0.5 GHz Fp1=1.3 GHz Fp2=2.7 GHz Fp2=2.7 GHz Ap=0.1 dB As=20 dB N=0 ResponseType=Chebyshev StubConfig=Two Parallel Stubs StubType=Short Circuit Quarter Wave Zo=50 Ohm D=1 Finf=1.0 GHz Delta=25 279 mil
S (dB)	0 -5 -10 -15 -20 -25 -30 -35 -35	Stil Spec Sill Spec Spec Spec Spec Spec Spec Spec
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SSIFilter (Stripline Stepped Impedance Lowpass Filter)





Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
Fp	Frequency at passband edge	GHz	1
Ар	Passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	3
Fs	Frequency at stopband edge	GHz	1.2
As	Stopband edge attenuation	dB	20
Ν	Number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	0
ResponseType	Type of frequency response (maximally flat or Chebyshev)	None	Maximally Flat
FElement	First filter component (automatic, capacitive, or inductive)	None	Automatic
Zo	Desired input/output impedance	Ohm	50
ZL	Characteristic impedance of low impedance sections	Ohm	25
ZH	Characteristic impedance of high impedance sections	Ohm	100
Delta	Length added to filter sections for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A stepped impedance filter provides a lowpass frequency response between the input and output ports. The design is realized using alternating wide and narrow microstrip lines.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. The stepped impedance filter uses wide microstrip lines to approximate shunt capacitors and narrow lines to approximate series inductors in order to provide a lowpass frequency response.
- 4. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics. In order to obtain an impedance match, Chebyshev designs must use an odd number of components (N).
- 5. The parameter FElement specifies whether the first stub is inductive or capacitive. If Automatic is chosen, the first component is inductive if Zo/ZL > ZH/Zo and capacitive otherwise.
- 6. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency.
- 7. Because this filter design strategy is approximate, the resulting stopband attenuation can not satisfy the specification. Choosing more sections than that computed by the design can improve the stopband performance.
- 8. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 and the specified passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequency. All filter sections are tuned by the same amount.
- 9. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: Matthaei, Young and Jones, Microwave Filters, Impedance-Matching Networks, and Coupling Structures, Artech House, 1980, pp. 365-374.

Example

A stepped impedance lowpass filter was designed for a maximally flat response with a 3 dB attenuation at the passband edge frequency of 4 GHz. Choosing FElement as Automatic

results in a capacitive first component. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = 38.843 mil.

SSub	<mark>₄, cm -</mark> 2
SSUB SSub1 Er=2.5 Mur=1 B=62.5 mil T=0 mil Cond=1.0E TanD=0	DA_SSIFilter1_test DA_SSIFilter1 Subst="SSub1" Fp=4 GHz Ap=3 dB Fs=6 GHz +50 As=20 dB N=0 ResponseType=Maximally Flat FElement=Automatic Zo=50 Ohm ZL=25 Ohm ZH=100 Ohm Delta=33 843 mil



SSLFilter (Stripline Stub Lowpass Filter)



Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
Fp	Frequency at passband edge	GHz	1
Ар	Passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	3
Fs	Frequency at stopband edge	GHz	1.2
As	Stopband edge attenuation	dB	20
Ν	Number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	0
ResponseType	Type of frequency response (maximally flat or Chebyshev)	None	Maximally Flat
StubType	Type of stubs (commensurate or variable length)	None	Variable Length Stub
FElement	First filter component (automatic, capacitive, or inductive)	None	Automatic
Zo	Desired input/output impedance	Ohm	50
ZS	Characteristic impedance of stubs	Ohm	50
ZH	Characteristic impedance of connecting sections	Ohm	90
Delta	Length added to stubs for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A stub lowpass filter provides a lowpass frequency response between the input and output ports. The design is realized using narrow lines to approximate series inductances and shunt open circuited stubs to realize shunt capacitances.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. The stub lowpass filter uses narrow microstrip lines that approximate series inductors connecting open-circuited stubs that approximate shunt capacitors in order to provide a lowpass frequency response.
- 4. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics. In order to obtain an impedance match, Chebyshev designs must use an odd number of components (N).
- 5. If the parameter StubType is set as Commensurate, all stubs will have equal lengths, and the stub line width is computed. The value of ZS is then ignored, and the resulting design can be difficult to realize. If StubType is set as Variable Length Stub, the stub line widths are determined from ZS and the stub lengths are computed from the specifications.
- 6. The parameter FElement specifies whether the first stub is inductive or capacitive. If Automatic is chosen, the first component is set to be capacitive since this tends to offer improvements in manufacturing.
- 7. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency. Because this filter design strategy is approximate, the resulting stopband attenuation may not satisfy the specification. Choosing more sections than that computed by the Design Assistant can improve the stopband performance.
- 8. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 and the specified passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequency by changing the stub lengths. All stubs are tuned by the same amount.
- 9. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, refer to: Matthaei, Young and Jones,

Microwave Filters, Impedance-Matching Networks, and Coupling Structures, Artech House, 1980, pp. 375.

Example

A stub lowpass filter was designed for a maximally flat response with a 3 dB attenuation at the passband edge frequency of 1 GHz. A variable length StubType and automatic FElement resulted in 13 components for the design. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = 174.401 mil.



SSRFilter (Stripline Stepped Impedance Resonator Filter)





Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
Fs1	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	1.8
Fp1	Lower passband edge frequency	GHz	2
Fp2	Upper passband edge frequency	GHz	2.2
Fs2	Lower stopband edge frequency	GHz	2.4
Ар	Passband edge attenuation (or ripple for Chebyshev)	dB	3
As	Stopband edge attenuation	dB	20
N	Number of filter sections (or 0 to compute N)	None	0
ResponseType	Type of frequency response (maximally flat or Chebyshev)	None	Maximally Flat
Zo	Desired input/output impedance	Ohm	50
Fsp	Center frequency of first spurious passband	GHz	4.1
Delta	Length added to filter sections for tuning performance	mil	0
Notes			

- 1. A stepped impedance resonator filter provides a bandpass frequency response between the input and output ports. N coupled-line sections produce an N-1 order filter response. Additional numbers of sections can be used to steepen the transition band roll off or widen the pass bandwidth. The use on non-uniform impedance for each resonator moves the second pass band center frequency away from the second harmonic of the fundamental frequency.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. Because of the heavy computational burden in determining the line parameters, a brief delay will occur for the design.
- 4. For a Chebyshev (equal ripple) frequency response, ripple levels greater than about 1 dB are not recommended. Exceeding this value will typically deform the shape of the passband characteristics.
- 5. If N is zero, the number of filter sections will be computed from the frequency/attenuation information. If N is non-zero, the design will use the frequency/attenuation parameters only for determining the design center frequency.
- 6. The center frequency of the first spurious passband should be on the order of twice the fundamental passband center frequency.
- 7. The optimization minimizes the absolute difference between S21 in dB and the specified passband edge attenuation (which equals the ripple for Chebyshev response) at the passband edge frequencies. Because only the line lengths are changed, this tuning will typically center the response within the specified passband. More advanced shaping of the passband response can be accomplished by manually tuning the widths and spacings of the coupled filter sections.
- 8. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, refer to: Makimoto and Yamashita, "Bandpass filters using parallel coupled stripline stepped impedance resonators," *IEEE Trans. Microwave Theory and Techniques*, vol MTT-28, pp. 1413-1417, 1980.

Example

A stepped impedance resonator filter was designed for a maximally flat response with the 3 dB passband edge frequencies at 2 GHz and 2.2 GHz respectively. The second passband

was set to 4.1 GHz. The design required 4 coupled lines. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -0.474 mil.

	SSub	•	≁°°°	-2		
	SSUB SSub1 Er=2.5 Mur=1 B=62.5 mi T=0 mil Cond=1.08 TanD=0	I Ξ+50	DA_S DA_S Subst Fs1= Fp1= Fp2= Fs2= Ap=3 As=2 N=0 Resp Zo=5 Fsp= Delta	SRFilte SRFilte SRFilte SSub 1.8 GHz 2 GHz 2.2 GHz 2.4 GHz dB 0 dB 0 dB 0 nse Typ 0 Ohm 4.1 GHz =-0.474	r1_test r1 1" e=Maxi mil	mally Flat
S (dB)	0 -10 -20 -30 -40	B	M1			

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Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Stripline substrate name	None	SSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
Zin	Desired complex input impedance	Ohm	50
Zload	Complex load impedance to match	Ohm	100
Zstub	Characteristic impedance of stub line	Ohm	50
Zline	Characteristic impedance of line	Ohm	50
Zfeed	Characteristic impedance of line connected to port 1 or 2	Ohm	50
StubType	Stub type (open or short circuit)	None	Open Circuit
NetType	Network type (source to load)	None	Automatic
Delta	Length added to stub for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A single-stub matching network matches a complex load impedance (Zload) to a desired complex input impedance (Zin) using a single shunt stub and length of line.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. The parameter NetType can be Automatic, stub-line, or line-stub, with the latter two choices representing configurations that have a stub followed by a line or vice-versa as the network is observed from source to load. Many impedance combinations can be realized using both possible types, although some can only be realized using one of the two choices. Choosing Automatic will ensure a realizable choice is given.
- 4. An impedance match can be realized using either stub type.
- 5. Zline represents the impedance of the line either next to the source or load (depending on the value of NetType). Zfeed represents the desired impedance on the other side of the stub from the line and is used to ensure that the corresponding leg of the microstrip tee component is of the proper width.
- 6. STEE component width constraint violations will be avoided generally by choosing similar characteristic impedances for the line, stub, and feed.
- 7. The input port termination is set to the conjugate of Zin so that the ideal input reflection coefficient will be zero. The output port termination is set to Zload.
- 8. The optimization minimizes the value of S11 (referenced to the conjugate of Zin) at the design center frequency by changing the length of the stub.
- 9. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 258-266.

Example

A single-stub matching network was designed to match a load impedance of 100 - j25Ohms to a 50 Ohm line at a center frequency of 2GHz. Choosing an open-circuit stub with automatic selection of the NetType resulted in a stub-line configuration. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -3.6 mil.



STCoupler (Stripline Tee Power Divider)



Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Strip substrate name	None	SSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
Zo1	Characteristic impedance of input port 1	Ohm	50
Zo2	Characteristic impedance of output port 2	Ohm	50
Zo3	Characteristic impedance of output port 3	Ohm	50
К	Ratio of power out port 2 to power out port 3	None	1.0
Delta	Length added to quarter-wave sections for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A tee power divider splits the power at the input (pin 1) between the two outputs (pins 2 and 3). Unequal or equal power splits can be realized. The input port will be matched to its feeding line, although in general the output ports will not be matched.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. The value of K can be set to realize the desired power split out of ports 2 and 3. However, choosing K larger than 3 to 4 (or smaller than 1/3 to 1/4) can cause the ratio of the widths of the tee branches to violate the range of the STEE simulation model. While the simulation will still proceed, the results can have some inaccuracies.
- 4. Quarter-wave matching sections are provided on the output ports to ensure a proper power split is achieved.
- 5. The optimization minimizes the input reflection coefficient (S11) at the design center frequency by changing the length of the quarter wave transformers on the output legs.
- 6. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

Example

A tee power divider was designed for a center frequency of 1 GHz with an equal power split (K = 1). Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -24.228 mil.



SWDCoupler (Stripline Wilkinson Divider)



Symbol

Parameters

Name	Description	Unit	Default
Subst	Strip substrate name	None	SSub1
F	Center frequency	GHz	1
DeltaF	Frequency bandwidth	GHz	0.5
Zo	Characteristic impedance	Ohm	50
ResponseType	Type of frequency response	None	Uniform
Ν	Number of quarter-wave sections; set N=0 to compute N	None	0
Rmax	Maximum voltage reflection coefficient on input port	None	0.1
К	Ratio of power out port 2 to power out port 3	None	1.0
Wgap	Width of gap for resistor	mil	50
Delta	Length added to quarter-wave branches for tuning performance	mil	0

Notes

- 1. A Wilkinson power divider splits the power at the input (pin 1) between the two outputs (pins 2 and 3). Unequal or equal power splits can be realized. The signals at the outputs are in phase. All three ports will be matched, and ports 2 and 3 will in general be well isolated from each other.
- 2. The substrate may be either SSUB or SSUBO, although the schematic simulation accuracy for SSUBO depends on how the underlying ADS stripline models interpret the SSUBO definitions.
- 3. For broadband performance, the divider can have multiple quarter-wave sections. If

the number of sections N is set to zero, the Design Assistant chooses N such that such that the reflection coefficient is less than Rmax over the bandwidth DeltaF (centered at the design center frequency). the resulting bandwidth can be broader than that specified. Otherwise, Rmax and DeltaF are ignored.

- 4. ResponseType specifies the distribution of the partial reflection coefficients seen at each section interface Uniform, Binomial, and Chebyshev distributions are available. These in turn specify the shape of the reflection coefficient versus frequency.
- 5. For a single section divider (N=1), the value of K can be set to realize the desired power split out of ports 2 and 3. Be aware that choosing K larger than 3 to 4 (or smaller than 1/3 to 1/4) is likely to cause difficulties in the design.
- 6. Pozar specifies $K^2 = P3/P2$, while the DesignGuide uses $K^2 = P2/P3$. Therefore, if you use the equations in Pozar to verify everything, you must substitute 1/K for K. The DesignGuide automatically puts quarter-wave matching sections on ports 2 and 3, so all ports are matched to the characteristic impedance. If you remove these matching segments, the output impedances are those specified by Pozar.
- 7. The optimization minimizes the input reflection coefficient (S11) at the design center frequency by changing the length of the quarter wave branches forming the divider.
- 8. A SmartComponent subnetwork is empty until the Design Assistant is used to generate the design. Refer to *Design Assistant* (dgpas).

For a more detailed discussion of this device, see: D. M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons: New York, 1998, pp. 363-368.

Example

A single-section Wilkinson power divider (N=1) was designed for a center frequency of 5 GHz with an equal power split (K=1) and a gap width for the resistor of 50 mil. Tuning using the Optimization Assistant yielded a value of Delta = -32.834 mil.

