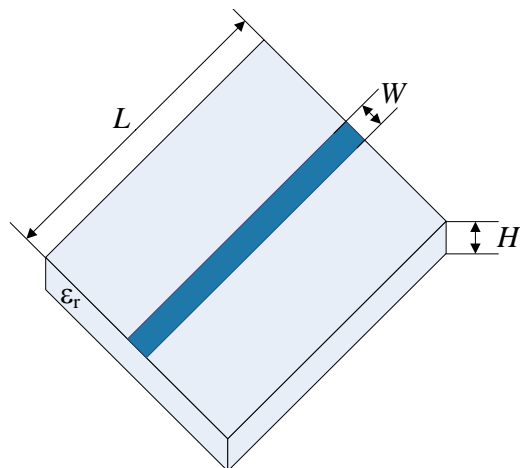


## LOSSLESS MICROSTRIP LINE



Consider the microstrip line shown to the left. A dielectric substrate with thickness  $H = 0.66$  mm and relative dielectric constant  $\epsilon_r = 9$  is used. A width  $W = 0.7$  mm is used to achieve a  $50\text{-}\Omega$  line. The microstrip length is  $L = 10$  mm.

Both metallic and dielectric losses are neglected. Metals are considered infinitesimally thin.

This microstrip line is used in [1]- [6], with some small variations.

Create a Sonnet project using the following setup:

Parameters related to Sonnet box:

Sonnet box size:  $L$  by  $(W + 2y_{\text{gap}})$

Bottom and top box cover: lossless metal.

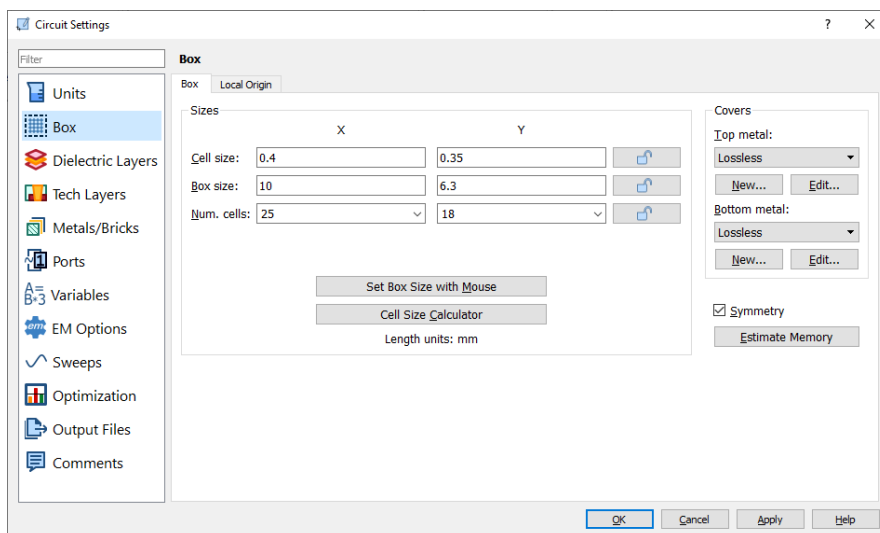
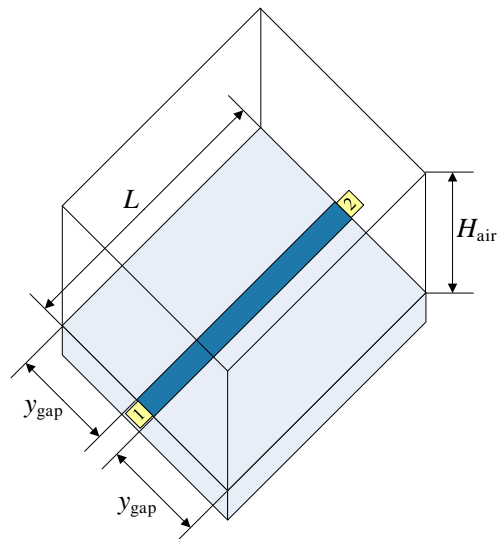
$y_{\text{gap}} = 4W = 2.8$  mm  $\approx 4.24H$

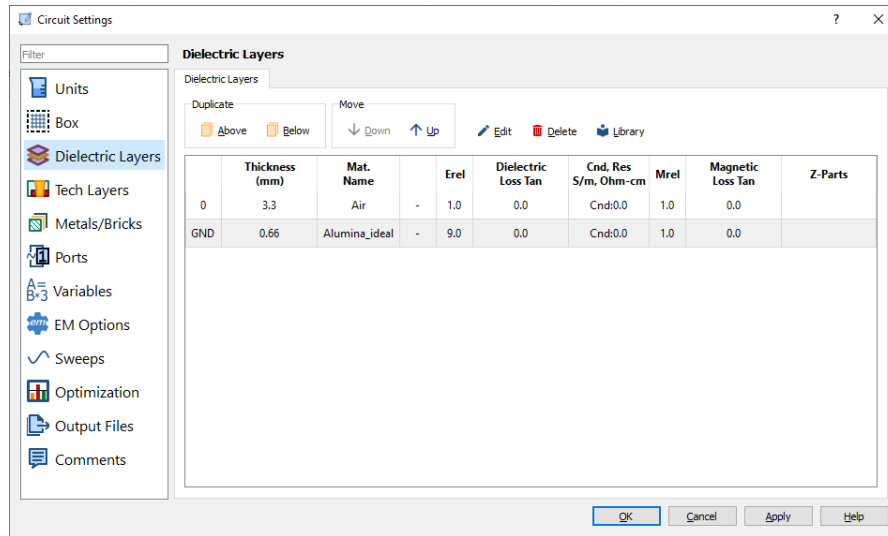
$H_{\text{air}} = 5H = 3.3$  mm

Initial resolution (cell sizes):

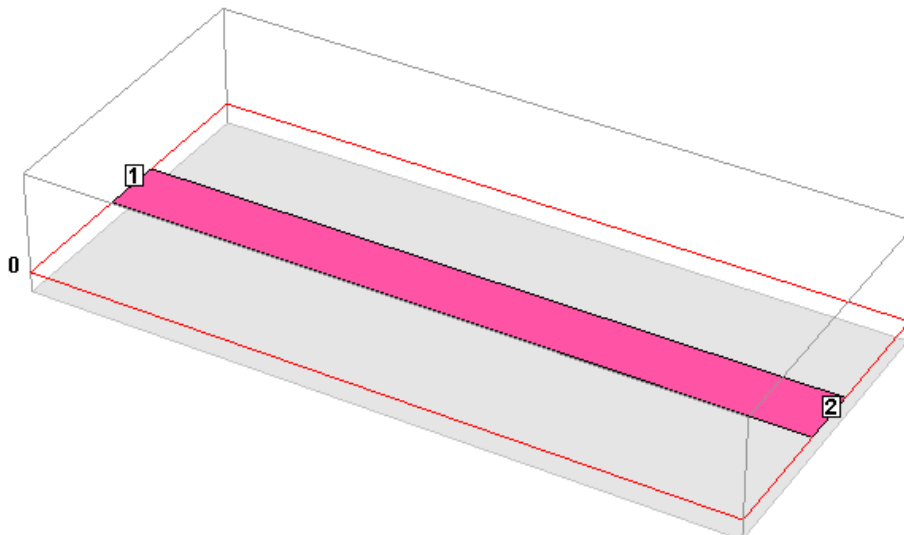
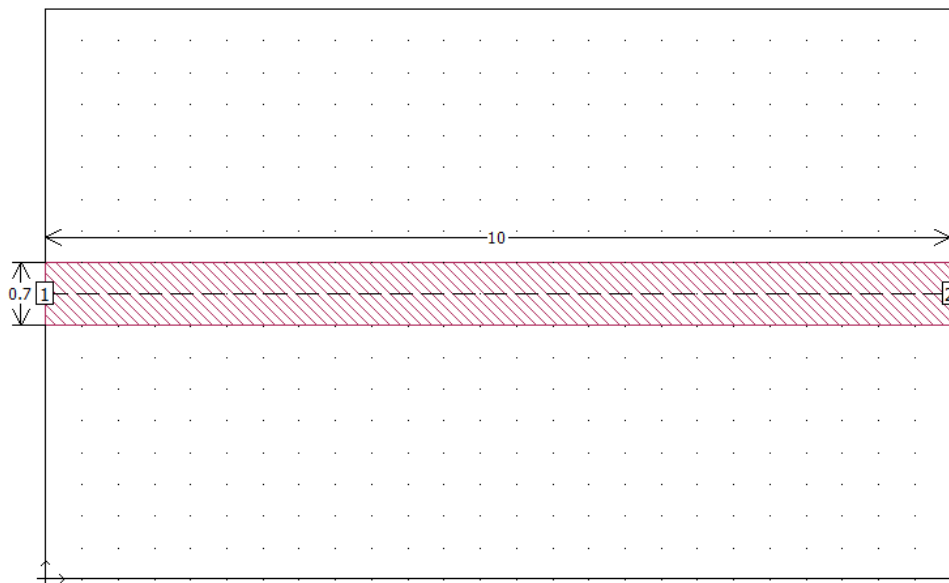
$C_x = L/25 = 0.4$  mm

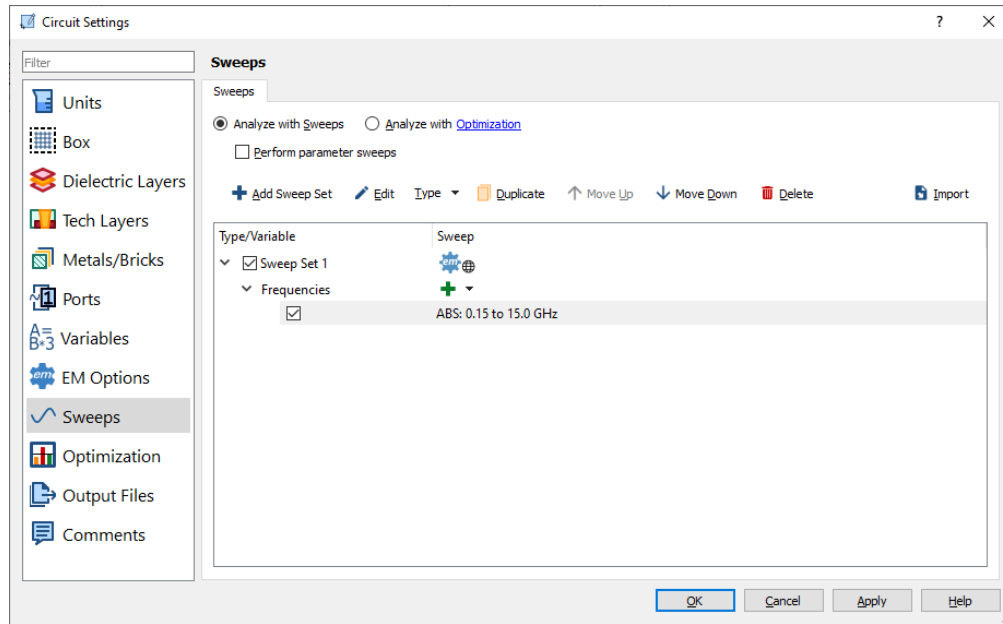
$C_y = W/2 = 0.35$  mm





Sonnet geometry:





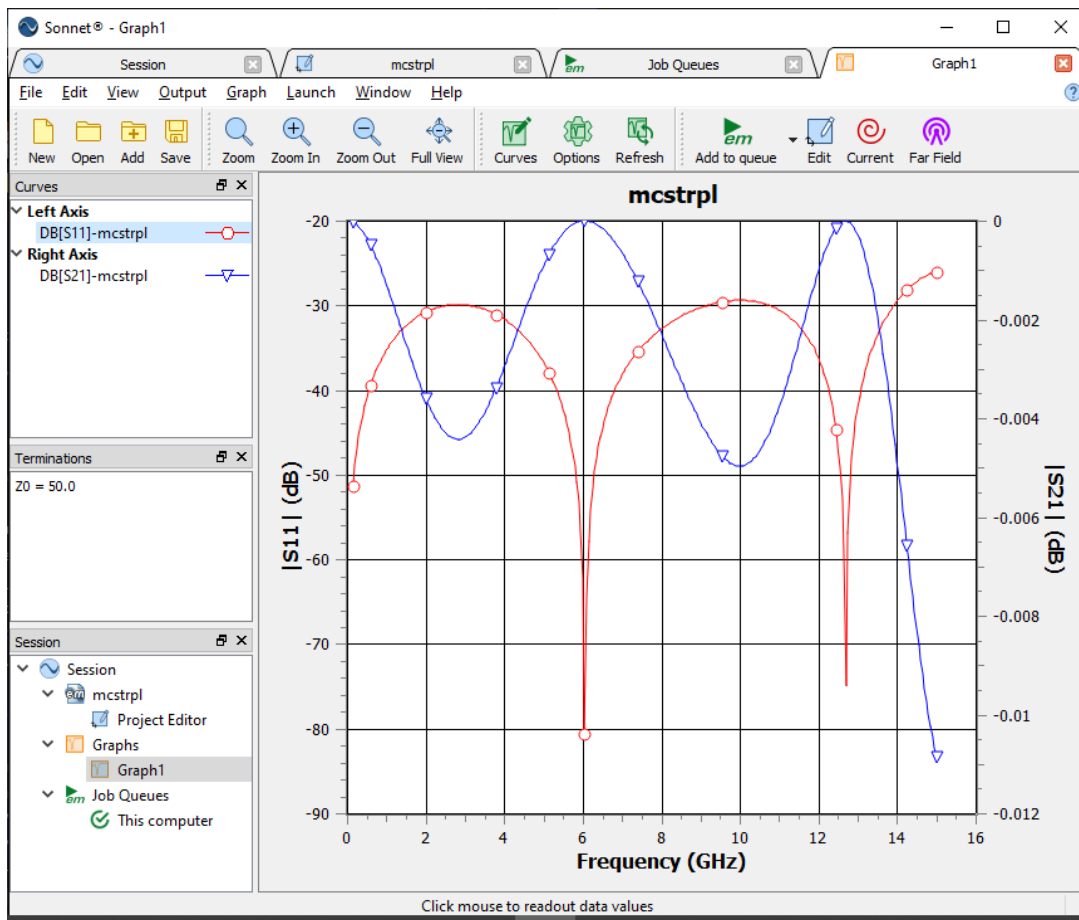
Estimate memory:

Estimated memory: 1 MB  
 Subsection total: 26

Estimate box resonances:

Possible box resonances, given the  
 presently enabled frequency sweep(s): None

EM responses:



Increasing the resolution to the following cell sizes:

$$C_x = L/50 = 0.2 \text{ mm}$$

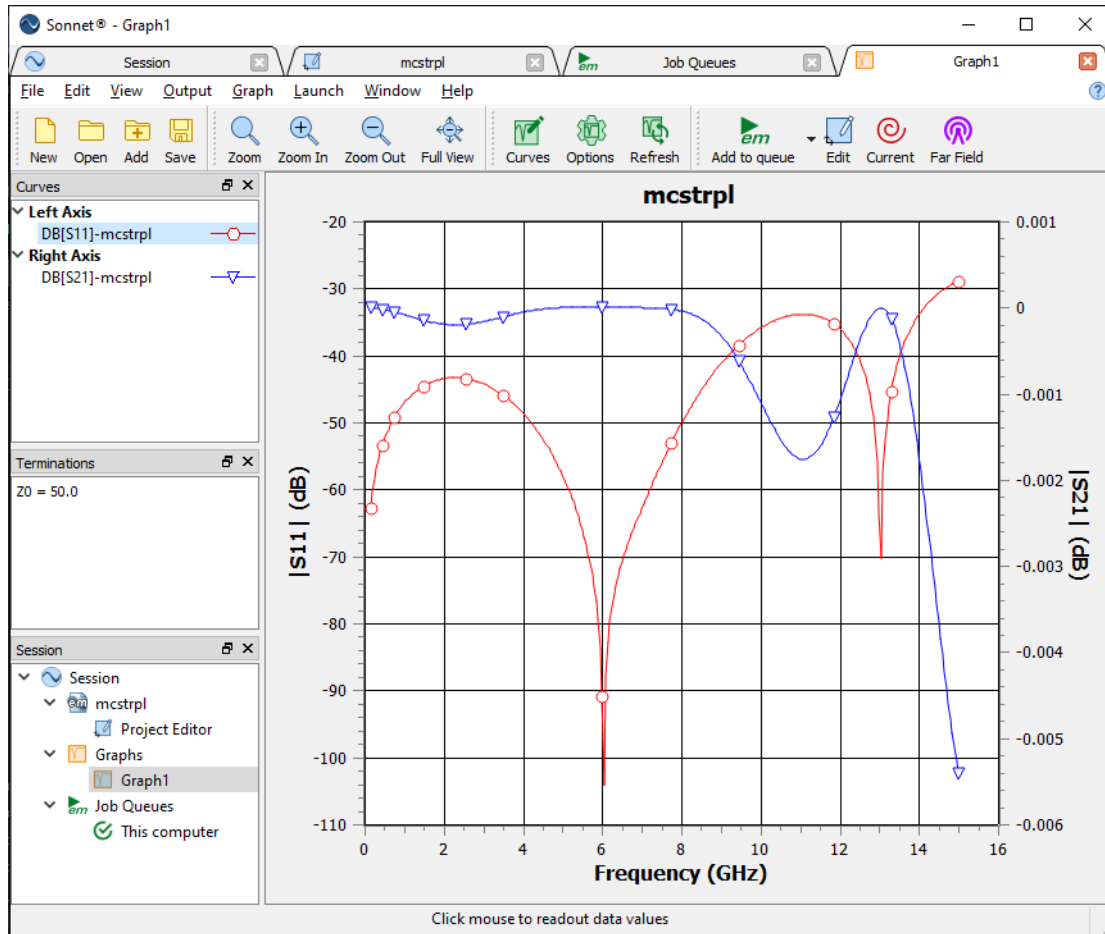
$$C_y = W/4 = 0.175 \text{ mm}$$

Estimate memory:

Estimated memory: 3 MB

Subsection total: 83

New EM responses (more accurate):



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