TM₁₁₀-MODE RESONATORS: Simple Configurations For Highly Flexible Waveguide Filter Designs



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Motivation

Find a waveguide filter configuration

- which allows the number and locations of transmission zeros to be as flexible as possible,
- whose topology is independent of the number and locations of transmission zeros,
- > which leads to a relatively compact design,
- which can be manufactured by standard waveguide fabrication techniques,
- which does not require post-assembly tuning.

TM₁₁₀-Mode Resonators - Advantages

- Resonances are based on TM₁₁₀-mode cavities allowing lower-order modes to generate cross/by-pass coupling.
- > The maximum number of transmission zeros equals the number of TM_{110} -mode cavities.
- ➢ The locations of transmission zeros are arbitrary, and simple design guidelines dictate their position with respect to the passband.
- Each transmission zero is independently controlled as each resonance is capable of creating its own transmission zero.
- The filter topology is in-line and, therefore, ideally suited to fit standard waveguide manufacturing technologies.
- > Due to the TM_{110} -mode operation, the cavities are short. An N-pole TM_{110} -mode filter usually requires less space than a comparable dual-mode filter based on $TE_{101/011}$ modes.

TM₁₁₀-Mode Resonators - Disadvantage

- Cascaded TM₁₁₀-mode cavities cannot be designed by standard coupling matrices because the standard interresonator coupling matrix formulation fails to capture the physical interactions of fields and modes involved.
- Therefore, a new coupling scheme based on so-called nonresonant nodes is developed and presented.

TM₁₁₀-Mode Resonators



Resonances

$$f_{r}(TM_{110}) = \frac{v_{c}}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{a^{2}} + \frac{1}{b^{2}}}$$
$$f_{r}(TE_{101}) = \frac{v_{c}}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{a^{2}} + \frac{1}{c^{2}}}$$
$$f_{r}(TE_{011}) = \frac{v_{c}}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{b^{2}} + \frac{1}{c^{2}}}$$

Cavity dimensions a, b, c selected such that

- TM₁₁₀ resonates
- TE₁₀, TE₀₁ do NOT resonate

TM₁₁₀-Mode Resonator –The Singlet Coupling Mechanism

Coupling is predominantly magnetic. An incoming TE_{10} mode excites both TE_{10} and TM_{11} in the cavity.



Design Guidelines – Single Cavity 1. Transmission Zero Below Passband



2. Transmission Zero Above Passband



3. No Transmission Zero



Design Guidelines – Two Cavities 1. Two Transmission Zeros Below Passband



2. Two Transmission Zeros Above Passband



3. Two Transmission Zeros, One Below, One Above Passband



4. No Transmission Zeros



Design Results - Filter Examples Four-Pole Filter With Chebyshev Response



Four-Pole Filter With Elliptic-Function-Type Response



Four-Pole Filter With Three Transmission Zeros Below Passband



Four-Pole Filter With Four Transmission Zeros Below Passband



Four-Pole Filter With Four Transmission Zeros Above Passband



Measurement

(cutter radius included using µWave Wizard)



Coupling Scheme for Cascaded Singlets



Conventional Design

[changing a single cross-coupling moves all transmission zeros]



Design with Singlets

[changing a single bypass-coupling moves only one transmission zero]



Non-Resonating Node Model (NRNM)



Design Variations: Add a Resonant Iris



Three-pole filter: 2 TM₁₁₀ **cavities + resonant iris**



Seven-pole Quasi-Highpass Filter: 3 TM₁₁₀ cavities + four resonant irises



Conclusions

- **Cascaded TM₁₁₀-mode resonators offer an attractive solution for in-line** waveguide bandpass filters with arbitrarily located transmission zeros.
- These filters have simple geometries, which lend themselves to design by accurate and fast CAD tools, but retain a high flexibility as to the number and locations of transmission zeros.
- A new coupling matrix approach based on the Non-Resonant Node Model aids in the design of the filters.
- **Excellent agreement with measured data** is demonstrated.
- TM₁₁₀-mode resonators are shorter than comparable cavities based on half-wavelength resonances.

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