

COUPLING RESPONSES TOWARDS WAVELENGTH AND COUPLING GEOMETRIES FOR SYMMETRIC AND ASYMMETRIC DIRECTIONAL COUPLERS

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ABSTRACT

The coupling responses towards wavelength and coupling geometries for symmetric and asymmetric directional couplers are discussed. Their behaviors were studied using beam propagation method (BPM). $50\% \pm 5\%$ wavelength flattened coupling characteristics over a wide range from $1.33 \mu\text{m}$ to $1.55 \mu\text{m}$ are obtained for directional coupler with waveguide asymmetric width in the coupling region. Symmetric structure was finding its application in wavelength division multiplexer/demultiplexer and asymmetric structure has the capability for 3 dB directional coupler for broadband region.

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