

A NOTE ON A NARROWLY SLITTED PARALLEL PLATE WAVEGUIDE FILLED WITH A DIELECTRIC.

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유전체로 채워진 평행판 도파관의 좁은 틈에 관한 소고

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When a TEM wave whose electric field amplitude is assumed to be unity is incident upon the slit as Fig.1, an integral equation can be set up for the Y-component magnetic current My.

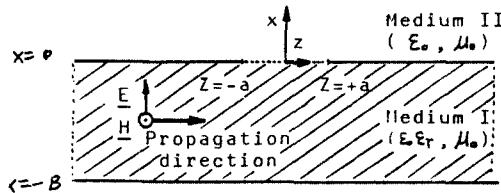


Fig.1. Geometrical structure

Choosing the approximate Neumann Green functions in each region I, II and imposing the continuity of magnetic field in the slit, one can obtain

$$\frac{k}{2\eta} \int_{-a}^a M_y(z') H_0^{(2)}(k|z-z'|) dz' \dots \dots (1)$$

$$- \int_{-a}^a M_y(z') G(z,z') dz' + \frac{1}{\eta_I} e^{-jk_I z} ; x, x' = 0$$

Here $k = \omega \sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}$, $\eta = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}}$ and ω , μ_0 , ϵ_0 denote angular frequency, permeability, permittivity of free space respectively and $H_0^{(2)}$ means the Hankel function of the second kind of index zero and $k_I = \omega \sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r}$, $\eta_I = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r}}$ and ϵ_r means the relative dielectric constant of medium I and G means the Green function in the region I, represented by

$$G = -\frac{1}{2\eta_{Ib}} e^{-jk_I |z-z'|} - \frac{jk_I}{\eta_{Ib}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\sqrt{(\frac{n\pi}{b})^2 - k_I^2} |z-z'|}}{\sqrt{(\frac{n\pi}{b})^2 - k_I^2}}$$

If $k_I b < \pi$ such that only TEM mode can propagate and the slit width is sufficiently narrow relative to the waveguide height b, i.e., $2\pi k_I a \ll k_I b < \pi$ then $H_0^{(2)}$ and G can be replaced by their small argument approximations as follows

$$H_0^{(2)}(k|z-z'|) \approx -j \frac{2}{\pi} \left\{ \ln \left(\frac{k|z-z'|}{2} \right) + \gamma + j \frac{\pi}{2} \right\} \dots (2)$$

$$G(z,z') \approx -\frac{1}{2\eta_{Ib}} + \frac{jk_I}{\eta_{Ib}} \left\{ \ln \left(\frac{\pi|z-z'|}{b} \right) - \sum_0 \left(\frac{k_I b}{\pi} \right) \right\} \dots (3)$$

Where γ denotes Euler's constant and $\int_0(x)$ means

$$\sum_0(x) \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} - 1 + 0.1010x^2 + 0.0138x^4 - \dots$$

One also approximate the incident magnetic field H_y, inc by a two term Taylor series $H_y, inc \approx \frac{1}{\eta_I} (1 - j k_I z) \dots \dots \dots (4)$

By substitution of (2), (3), (4) into (1), one can obtain the approximated integral equation after some algebraic manipulations.

$$C_1 \int_{-a}^a M_y(z') \ln|z-z'| dz' + C_2 \int_{-a}^a M_y(z') dz' = \frac{1}{\eta_I} (1 - j k_I z)$$

where $C_1 = -\frac{jk_I}{\eta_I \pi} - \frac{jk_I}{\eta_I \pi}$

$$C_2 = \frac{1}{2\eta_{Ib}} - \frac{jk_I}{\pi} \left\{ \frac{k_I}{\eta_I} \ln \frac{b}{2} + \frac{k_I}{\eta_I} \epsilon_r \ln \frac{\pi}{b} + \frac{k_I}{\eta_I} + j \frac{k_I}{2\eta_I} - \frac{k_I}{\eta_I} \sum_0 \left(\frac{k_I b}{\pi} \right) \right\}$$

Using the method which C.M. Butler & D.R. Wilton used in their work⁽¹⁾, one can obtain the magnetic current $M_y(z')$ as a solution

$$M_y(z') = \frac{1}{\eta_I \pi (C_1 \ln \frac{b}{2} + C_2)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - z'^2}} + \frac{jk_I}{\eta_I \pi} \frac{z'}{\sqrt{a^2 - z'^2}} \dots (5)$$

From the calculated magnetic current, one can obtain the magnetic field of reflected TEM wave and the magnetic field reflection coefficient T_H at the reference plane $Z=0$. Making use of the relation between T_H and the series admittance \bar{Y} normalized in the transmission line with its characteristic admittance Y_0 unity, one can obtain the equivalent circuit admittance of the slit.

$$\bar{Y} = -\frac{1 + T_H}{2T_H} = \bar{G} + j\bar{B} \dots \dots \dots (6)$$

here \bar{G}, \bar{B} mean the normalized radiation conductance and susceptance respectively. The study of the slit in the parallel plate waveguide filled with an air was undertaken by some authors.⁽²⁾

Here equivalent circuit parameters \bar{G}, \bar{B} of the slit in the parallel plate waveguide filled with a dielectric ($\epsilon_r=2.55$) are computed and compared with those in case of $\epsilon_r=1$

in Fig. 2.3 respectively. It is interesting to compare this result \bar{G} with that of study⁽³⁾ (2. eqn(12)) on the radiation conductance of the microstrip antenna.

When we don't normalize the radiation conductance G . We obtain $G = \frac{1}{120\lambda}$ (mho/m) (λ : wavelength in the free space).

Though the configuration in the work⁽³⁾ is not the same as that under consideration here, two approximate expressions are same.

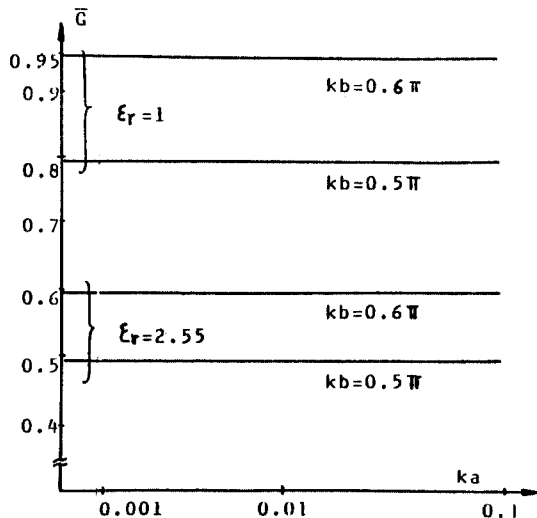


Fig.2. Normalized conductance

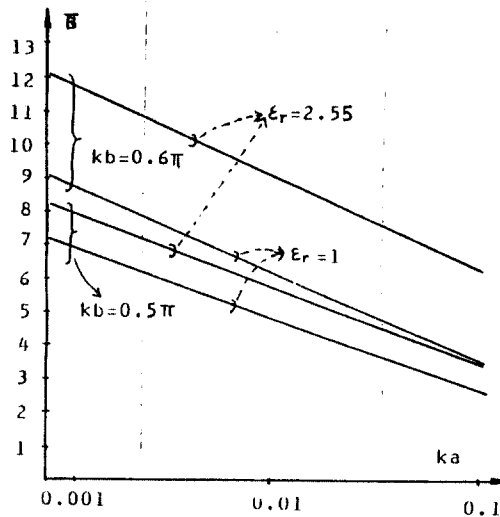


Fig.3. Normalized susceptance

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