

Study of Circular Waveguide Window for Millimeter Wave Transmission Line

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Abstract

This paper discusses analytical method and numerical simulation for studying transmittivity and reflectivity of various dielectric window materials used in millimeter wave transmission line for low power application. Simulation is done in RF module of COMSOL Multiphysics®. A multiple reflection model of the electromagnetic scattering is introduced. It focuses on how multiple reflections of an EM wave occur inside the window due to the material discontinuity at the interfaces between air and window. Using the method presented in this paper, we have calculated Transmission and reflection of various dielectric materials for TE₀₁ mode to choose window material with minimum attenuation over D-band frequency range (110-170 GHz). Results show that Fused Silica offers better transmission than other materials. We have studied propagation of TE₀₁ through Fused Silica window kept inside an oversized circular waveguide using 2D axial symmetrical modeling in RF module. The analytical and simulation work is also carried out by varying thickness of Fused Silica window to study the effect of window thickness on power transmission. Results show excellent agreement between analytical and numerical approach.

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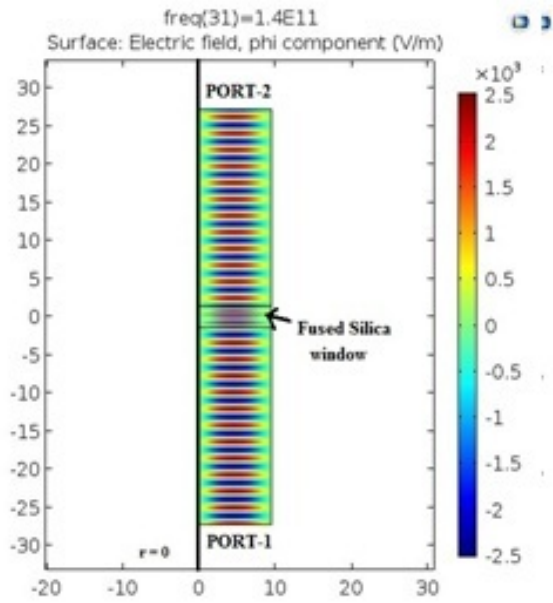


Figure 3: Propagation of E_{ϕ} Component at 140 GHz Frequency for TE₀₁ Mode Through Circular Waveguide with Fused Silica.

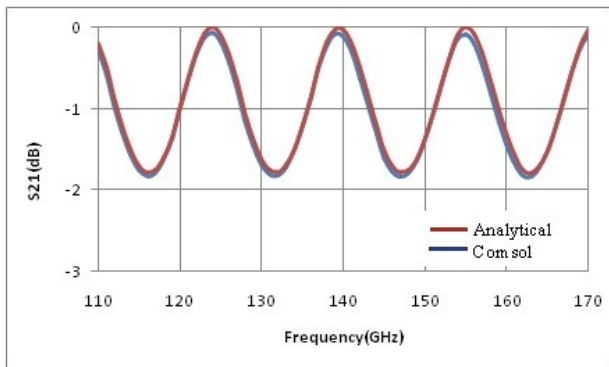


Figure 4: Comparison of Transmission of Fused Silica Window.