

Mid-Sem Lab Examination

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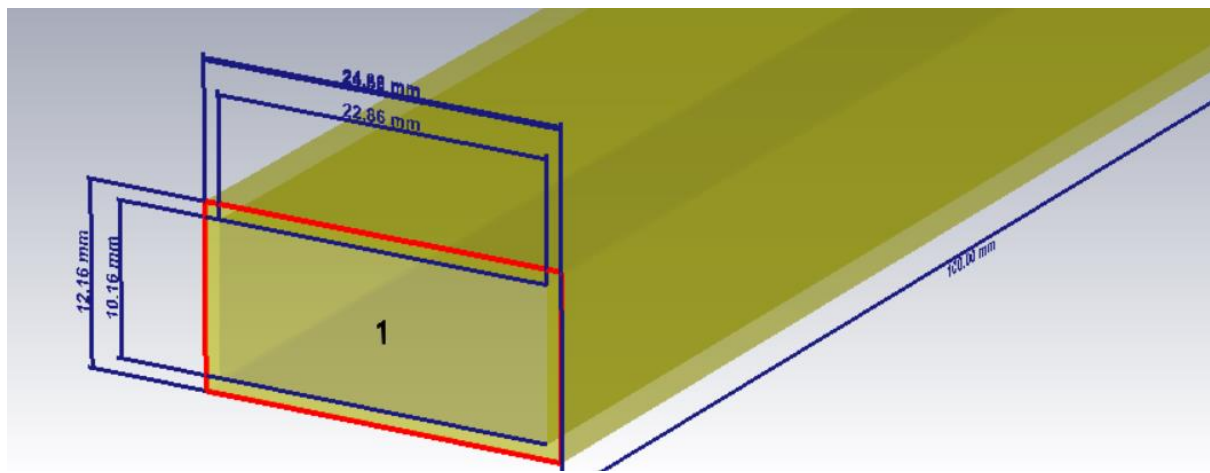
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Ques. Determine the cutoff frequency of dominant mode of a copper made rectangular waveguide with inner dimension $A = 22.86\text{mm}$ (0.9 inch) and $B = 10.16\text{mm}$ (0.4 inch) and 100 mm length from transmission coefficient characteristic. Consider 1mm as the thickness of wall.

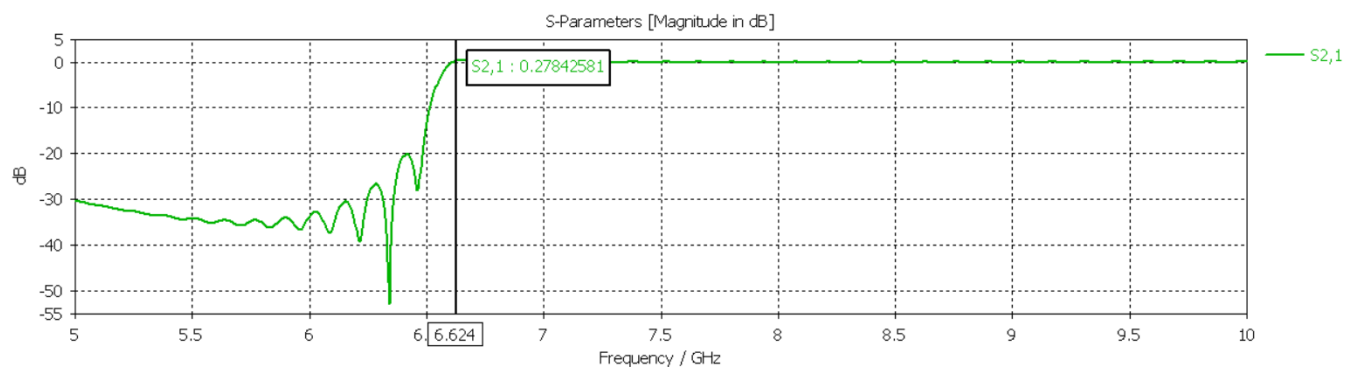
Results:

Waveguide Dimension view:



The dominant mode of a rectangular waveguide is the mode having the lowest cutoff frequency and with dimensions $a = 2b$ the dominant mode is TE(10) mode.

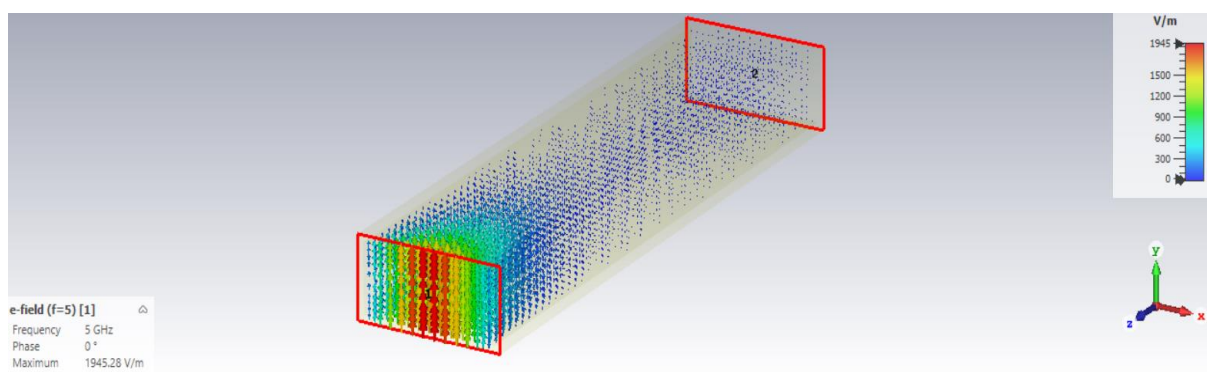
Plotting the S-parameter for S2, 1 (input at port 1 and output at port 2)



It can be seen that there is a rise and then uniform frequency of propagation at/after ~ 6.624 GHz which is the cutoff frequency of TE(10) mode.

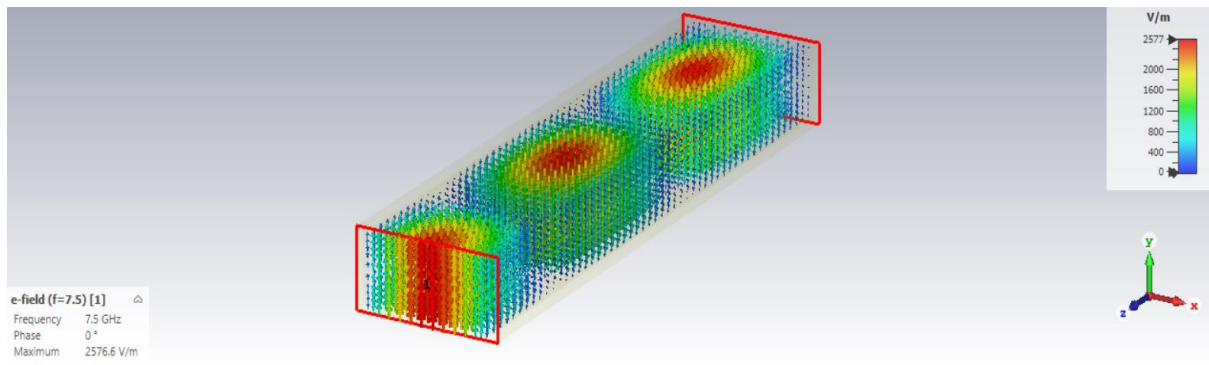
E-field propagation:

Our result can be further clarified by showing the E-field propagation of the wave.



For frequency = 5GHz, the wave is non-propagating. As we know that the wave is non-propagating for $f < f_{\text{cutoff}}$

Similarly, for frequency = 7.5GHz, the wave becomes propagating.



This indicates the cutoff frequency is between 5 and 7.5GHz.

Manual calculation for verification gives $f_{\text{cutoff}} = 6.56\text{GHz}$.