



Waveguide Design With HFSS

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Introduction:

This lab involves the investigation of Electromagnetic waveguides. The simulation can be separated into 3 section:

1. Create a waveguide that propagates TE₁₀ wave at 10GHz with the maximum width of the waveguide.
2. Mortify the waveguide so the first 4 modes will propagate, and graph data
3. Fill the first waveguide with various material and graph its effect.

Process:

1. It is desired to design a rectangular waveguide that propagates only the lowest order mode TE₁₀ and operates at 10 GHz. If the waveguide is air filled, determine the waveguide dimensions (a and b) such that the desired operating frequency is 38% above the cutoff frequency of the TE₁₀ mode. Although the dimension b of waveguide is often taken as $b=a/2$, for attenuation considerations and also to improve the waveguide power handling capacity, it is desired to design a wave guide with the largest possible value of b. Furthermore, to avoid mode degeneracy, b should be chosen such that, $b < a$, but $b > a/2$. Determine the dimensions and simulate the waveguide using HFSS. Your dimensions must satisfy the requirements above. (There is not just one correct answer...)

The dimension set was 24.2x 15 x 60mm, 0.2mm thick, copper shell. Calculation is based on the following:

Waveguide propagates at TE_{10} at 10 GHz.

Desired operating frequency is 38% above the cutoff frequency.

$$f_{cutoff} = 10 - 10 * 0.38 = 6.2GHz$$

For a's width

$$f_{cutoff} = 6.2 \text{ GHz} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}} \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{0}{b}\right)^2}$$

$$6.2 \text{ GHz} = \frac{3 * 10^8}{2} \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{a}\right)^2}$$

$$6.2 \text{ GHz} = \frac{1.5 * 10^8}{a}$$

$$a = \frac{1.5 * 10^8}{6.2 * 10^9}$$

$$a = 0.0242m = 24.2mm$$

For b's length

Set maximum frequency cutoff to 10.01GHz.

$$\begin{aligned}f_{cutoff} &= 10.01 \text{ GHz} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}} \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{b}\right)^2} \\10.01 \text{ GHz} &= \frac{3 * 10^8}{2} \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{b}\right)^2} \\10.01 \text{ GHz} &= \frac{1.5 * 10^8}{b} \\b &= \frac{1.5 * 10^8}{1 * 10^{10}} \\a &= 0.015 \text{ m} = 15 \text{ mm}\end{aligned}$$

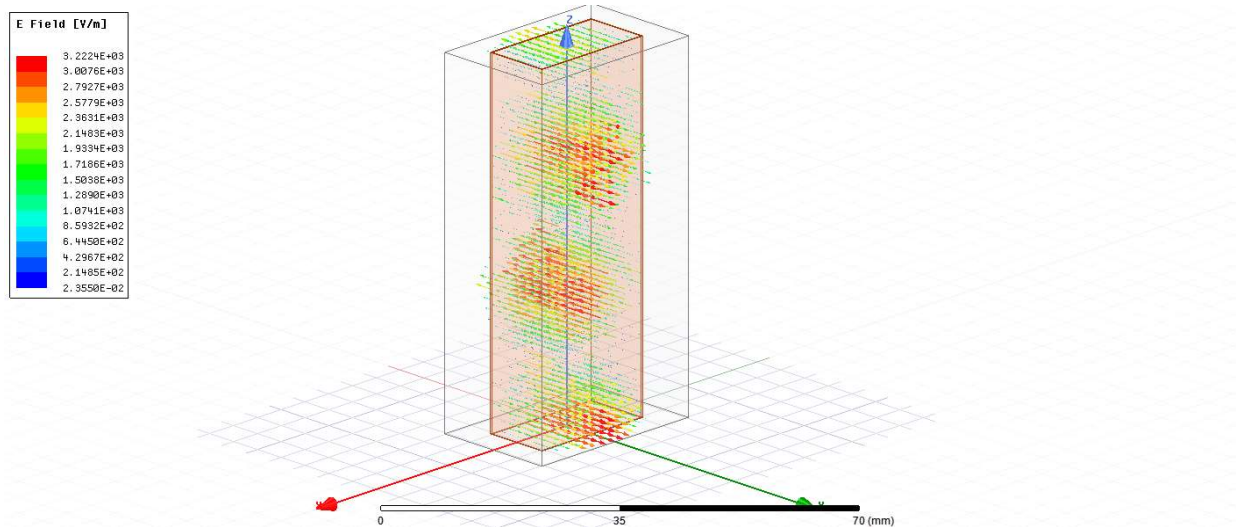
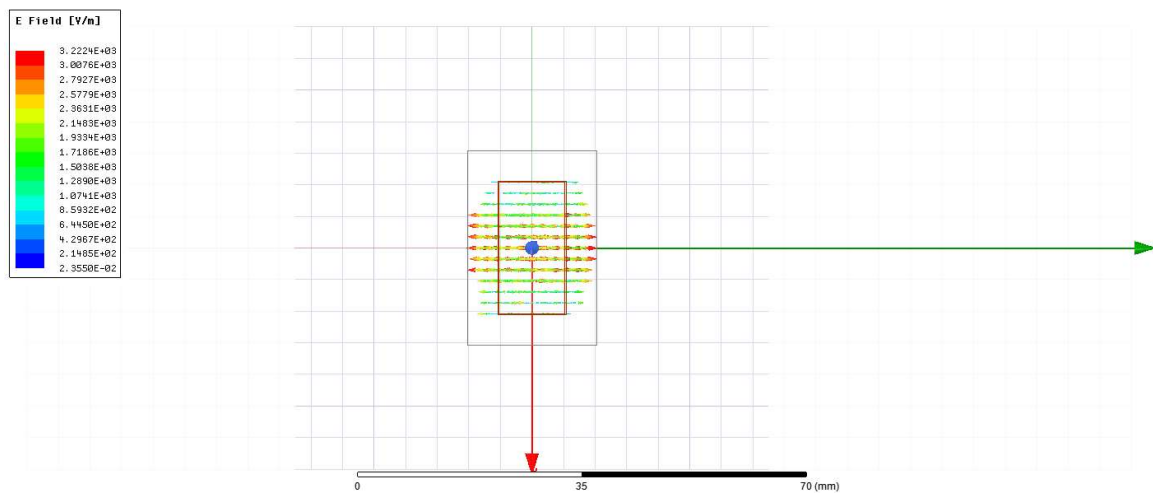
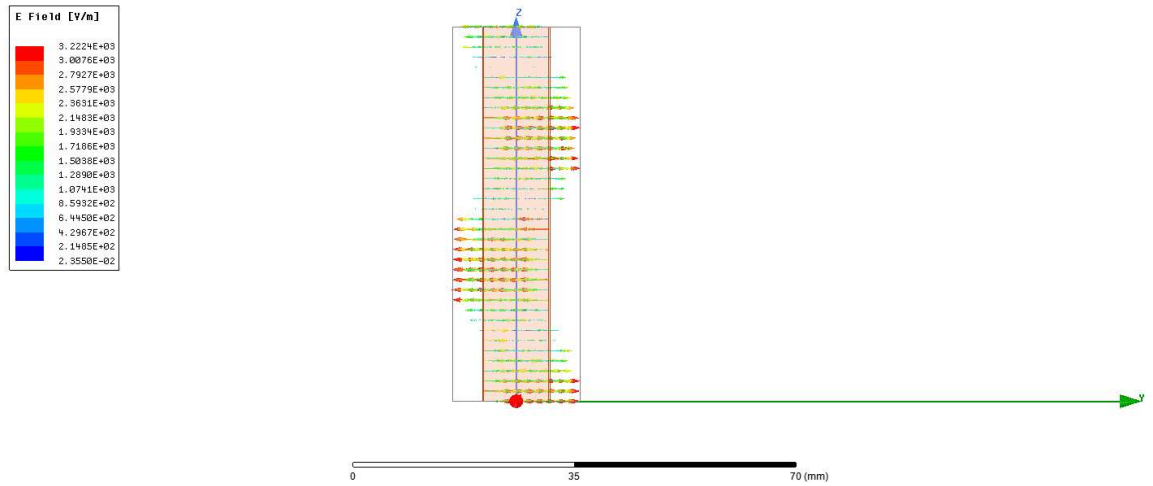
2. Now, you want to make sure that the first 4 modes propagate. So, change the dimensions from part 1 above to make sure these modes all propagate.

Dimensions set to 24.2x20.57x60mm

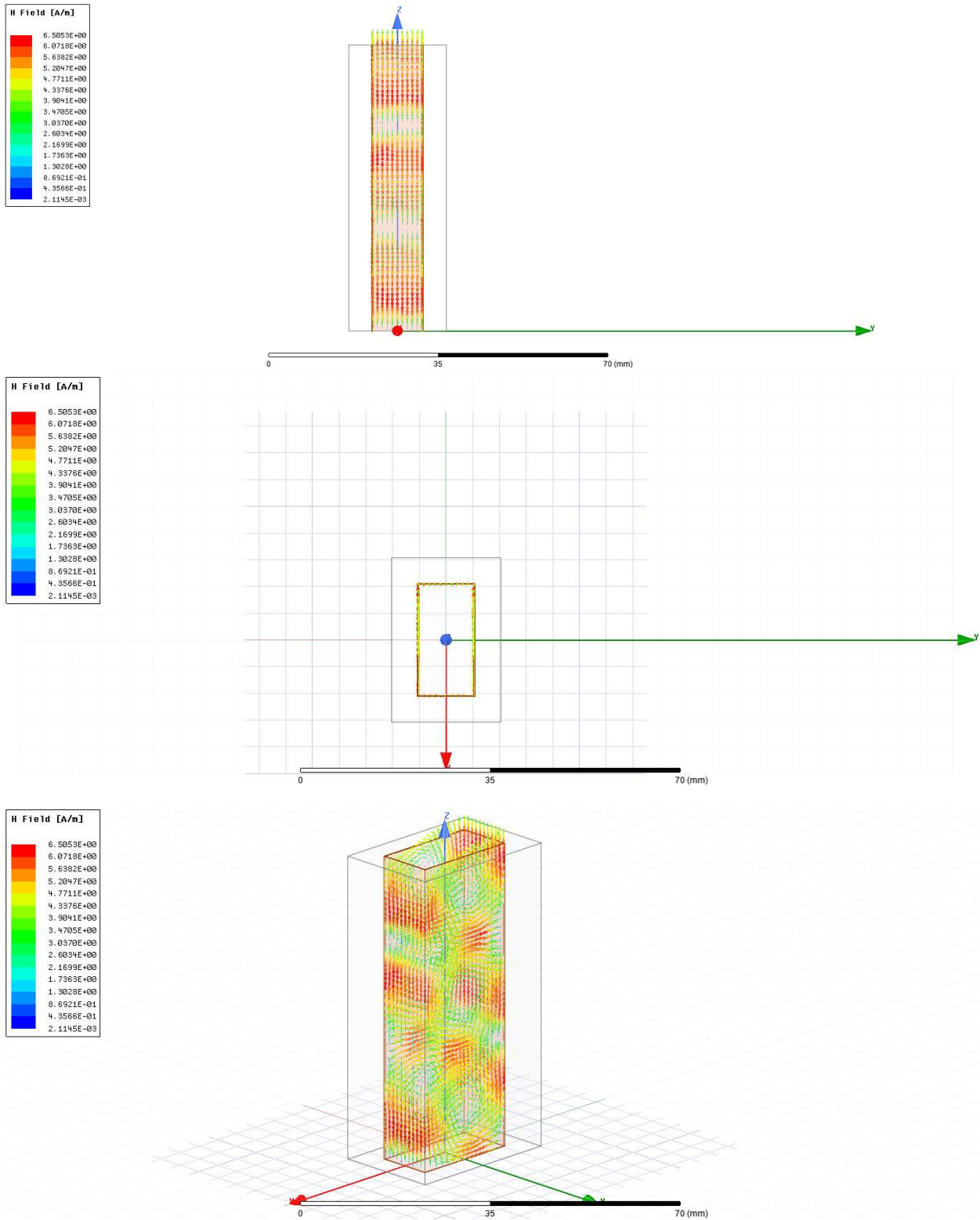
- a. Determine the first 4 modes;
The first 4 modes used in this simulation are TE10, TE01, TE11, TM11. TE20 does not seem to exist in this simulation.
- b. Plot the E and H Vector lines for the modes, on separate plots. Make sure to show top and side views.

c. TE₁₀:

E Vector:

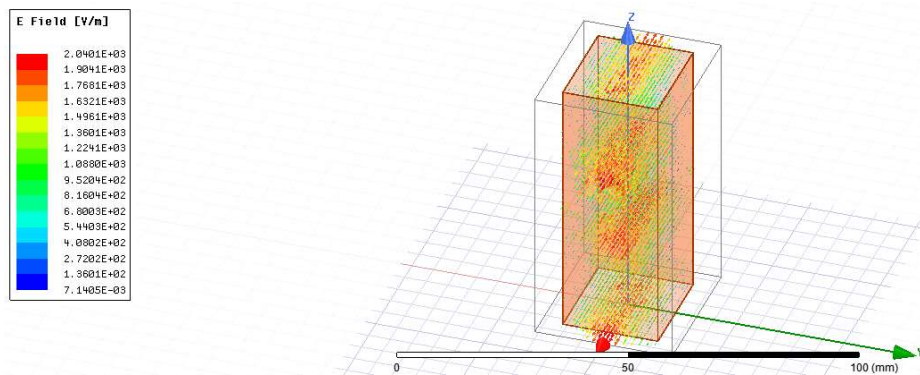


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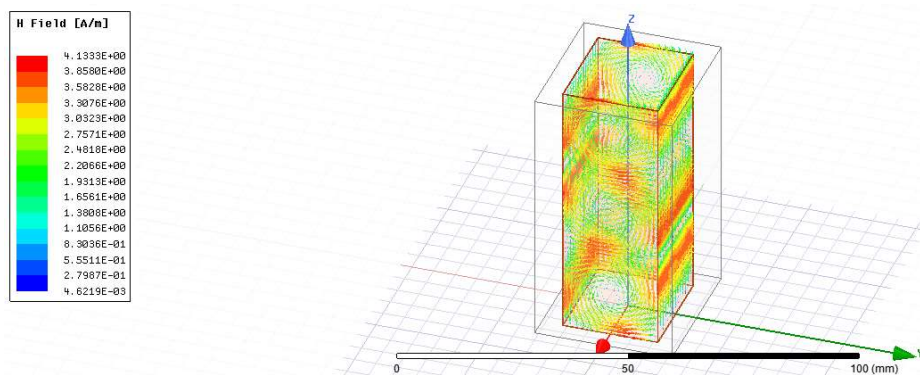


TE01

E Vector:

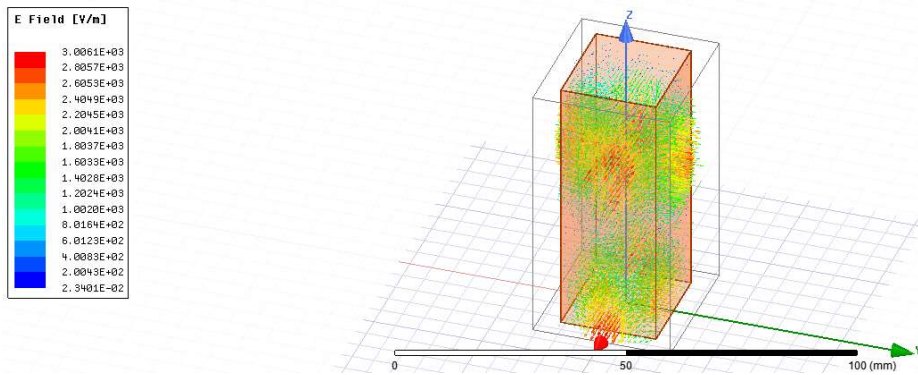


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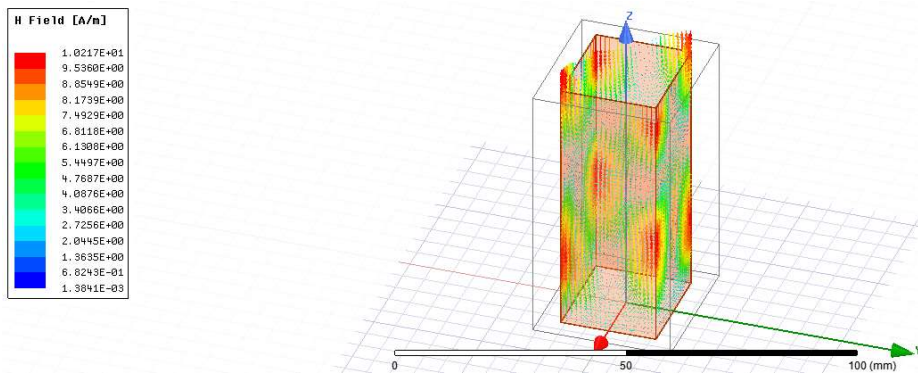


TE11

E Vector:

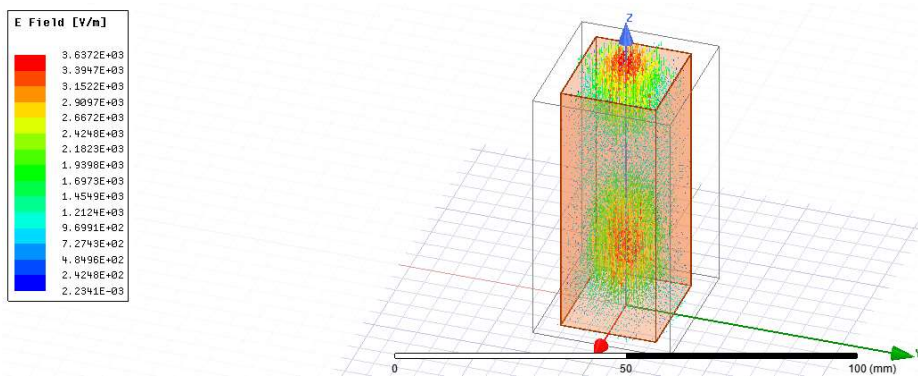


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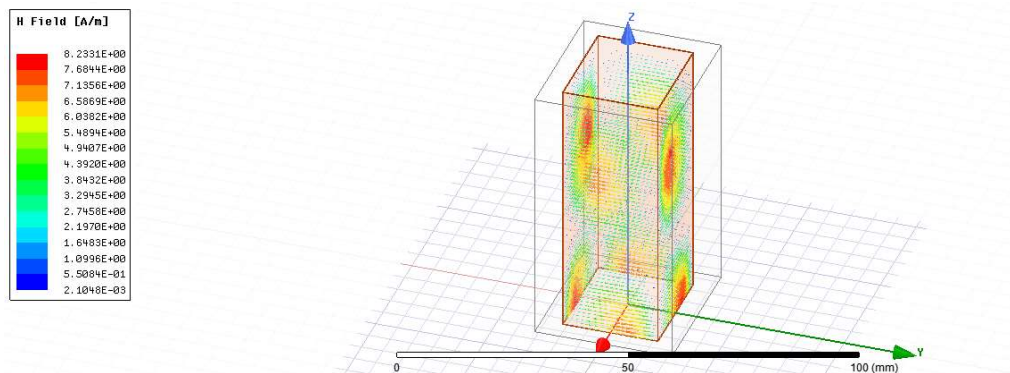


TM11

E Vector:



H Vector:

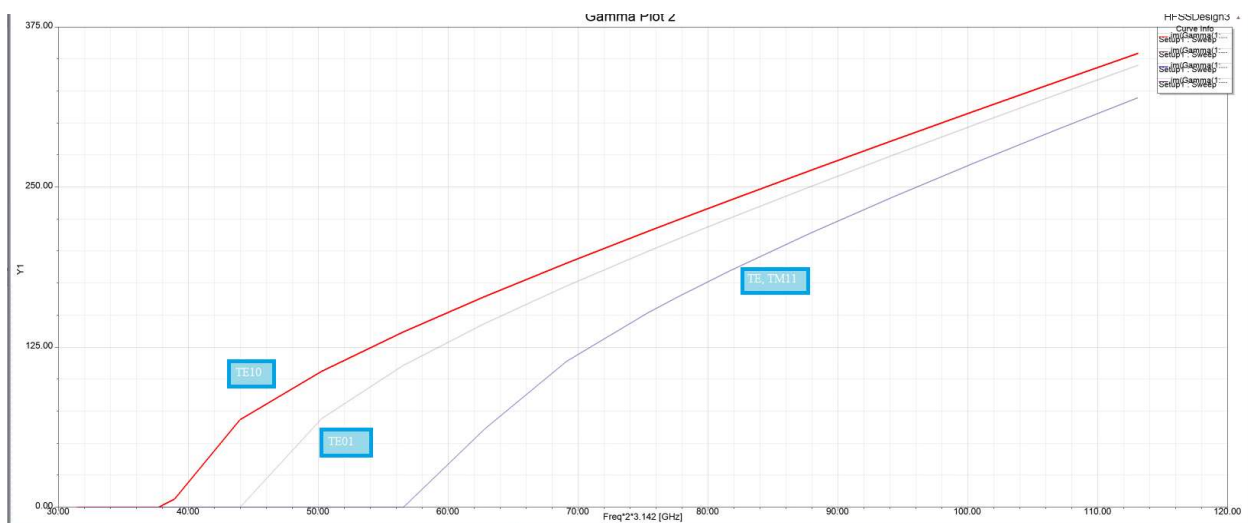


- Show lines for all views
- Show surface or contour plots for all views
- Discuss the differences in TE₁₀ and TM₁₁ modes.

TE₁₀ is propagating parallel to the wave guide, while TM₁₁ propagates perpendicular to the waveguide.

The waveform of TM₁₁ stretched out vertically

3. Using MATLAB, XCEL, or HFSS, plot ω vs. β curves for TE and TM modes for the first four modes.



- Analyze the propagation constant for the first four modes
- Label the TEM case on this plot.

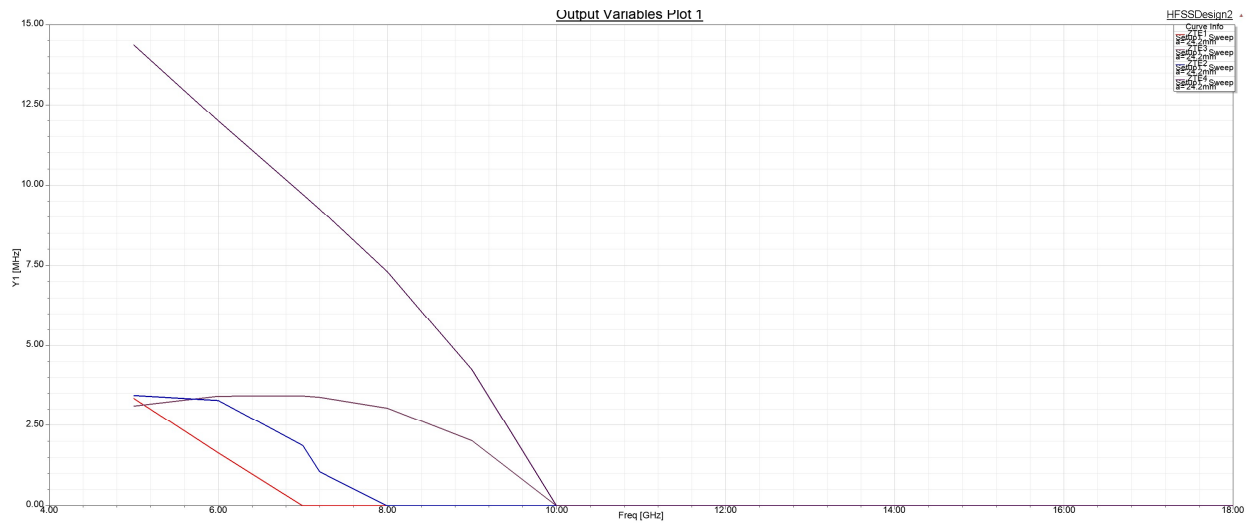
c. Show how you might find the phase velocity using this plot.

$$k = \omega/\beta$$

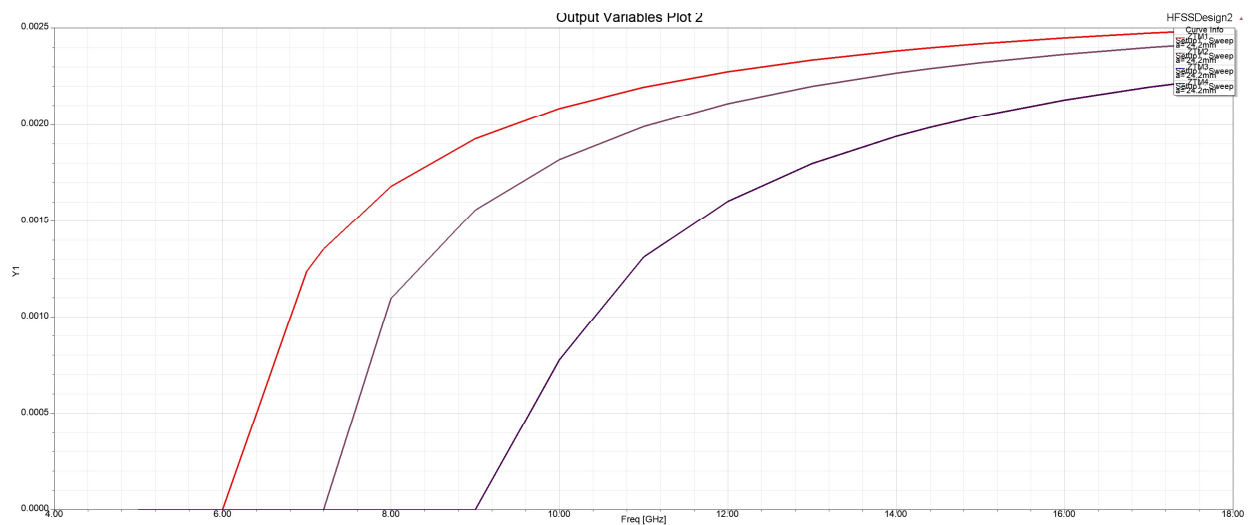
using the angular frequency and the $\text{im}(\gamma)$ value, the phase velocity can be found.

4. Using MATLAB or HFSS, Plot ZTE and ZTM vs. normalized frequency (f/f_c). Is there an asymptote? If so, what is it?

ZTE



ZTM

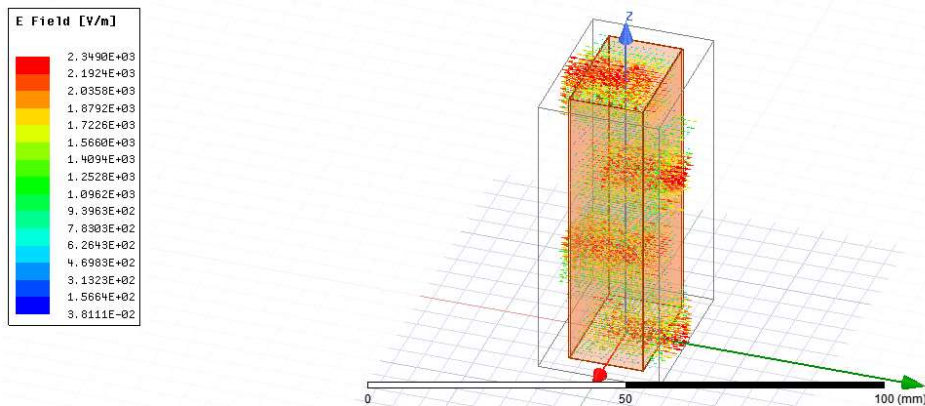


5. Now, take the waveguide in part 1 and fill with the following (you can choose your own material properties for each case):

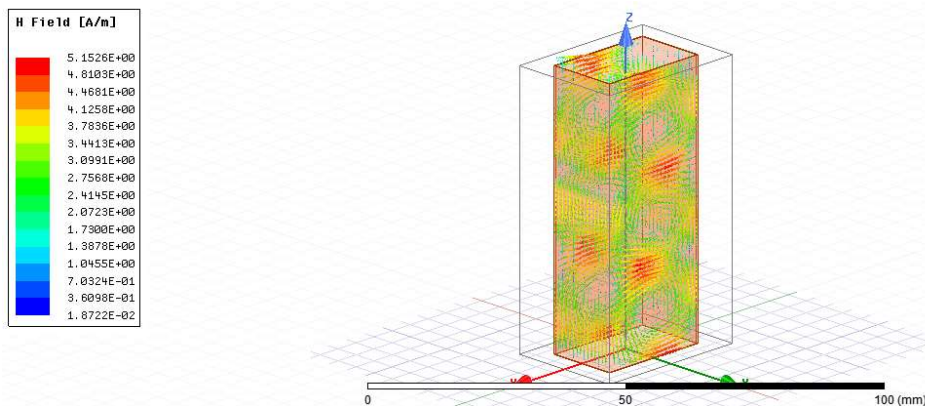
a. Lossless dielectric

The material filled the waveguide as a lossless dielectric is vacuum ($\mu_r = 1$, $\epsilon_r = 1$), as it is the only true lossless dielectric material in existence. Like the original copper shell, the Electric field was not compressed or affected in anyway compare to the other samples.

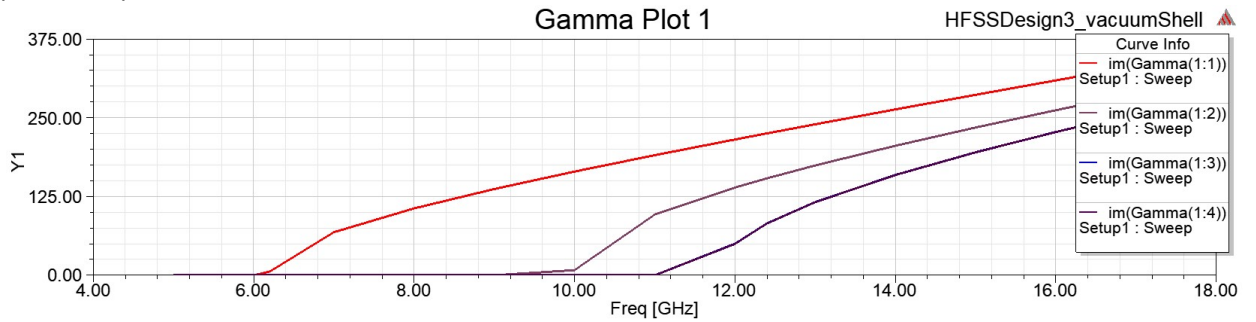
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H Vector:



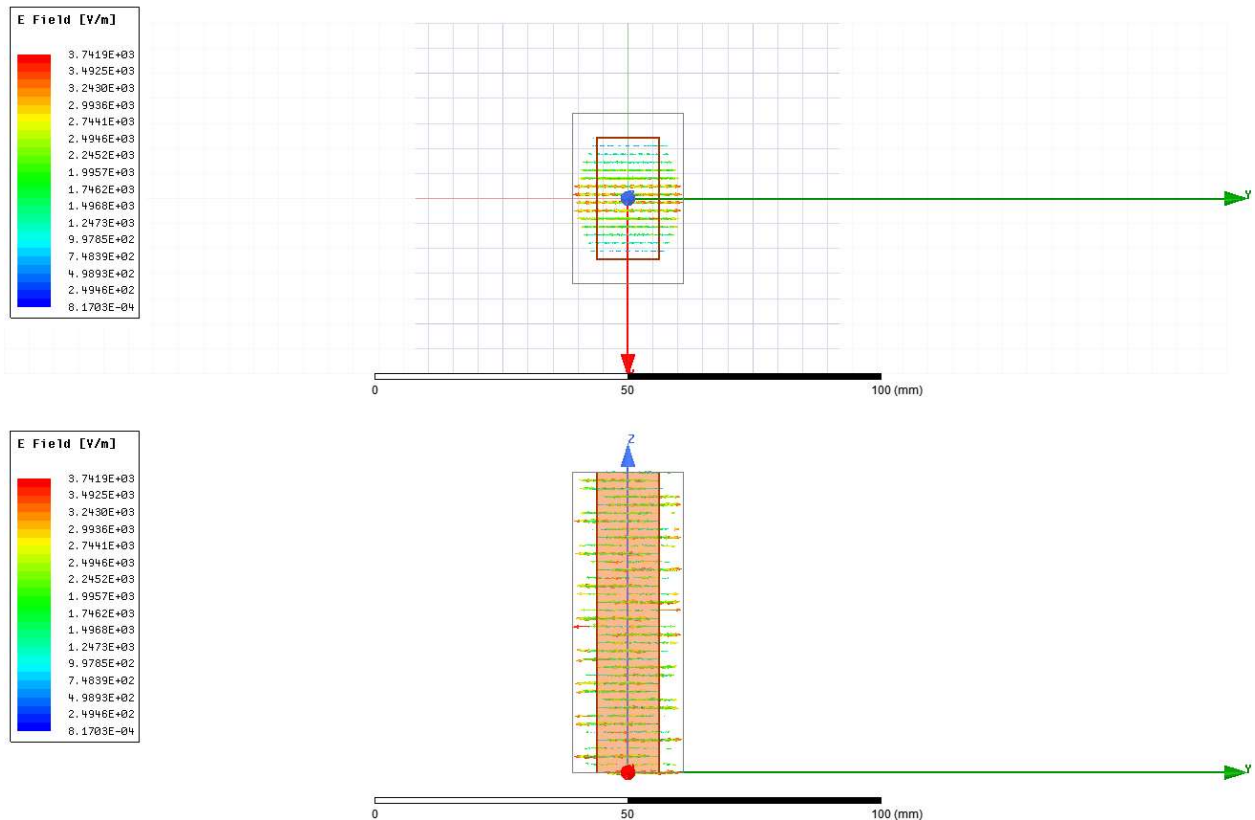
plot ω vs. β curves

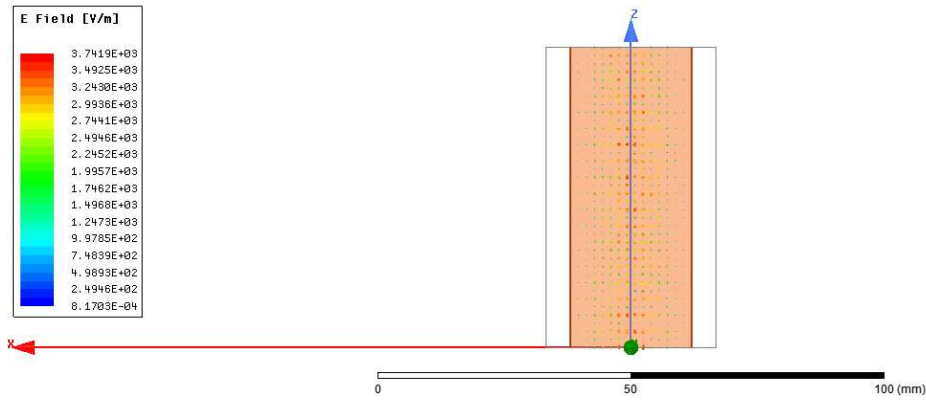


b. Magnetodielectric

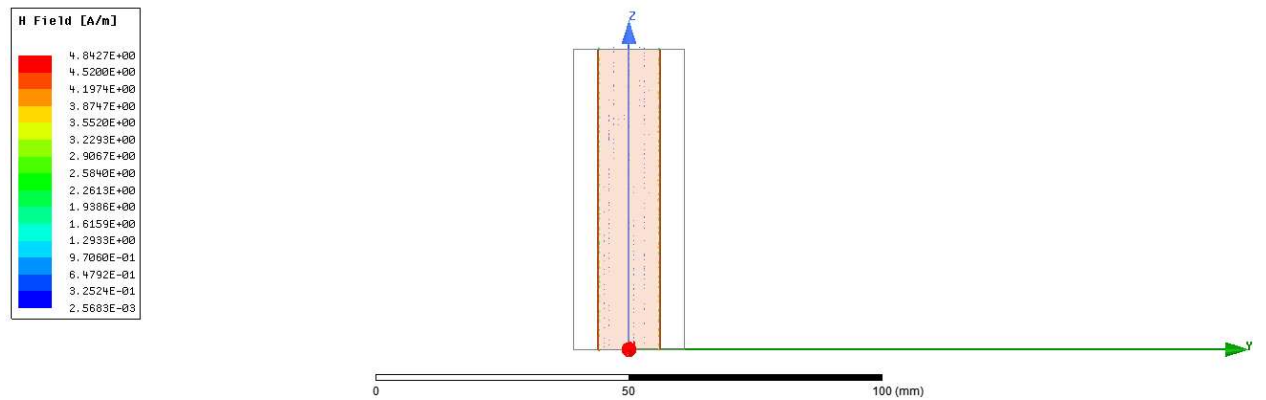
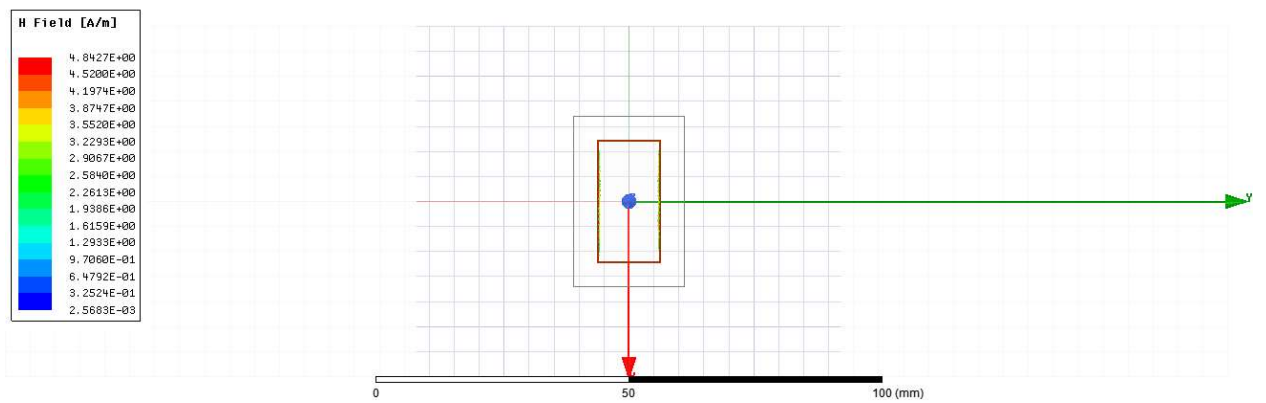
The material used for waveguide made with a Magnetodielectric is a custom material ($\mu_r = 2$, $\epsilon_r = 10$). The first choice was ferrite, however, due to technical reasons, the custom material was used as a replacement. The wavelength electric field is significantly compressed significantly and relatively to the other two samples. The magnetic field was induced just like normal. The B vs ω graph has become more linear, compare to the other samples.

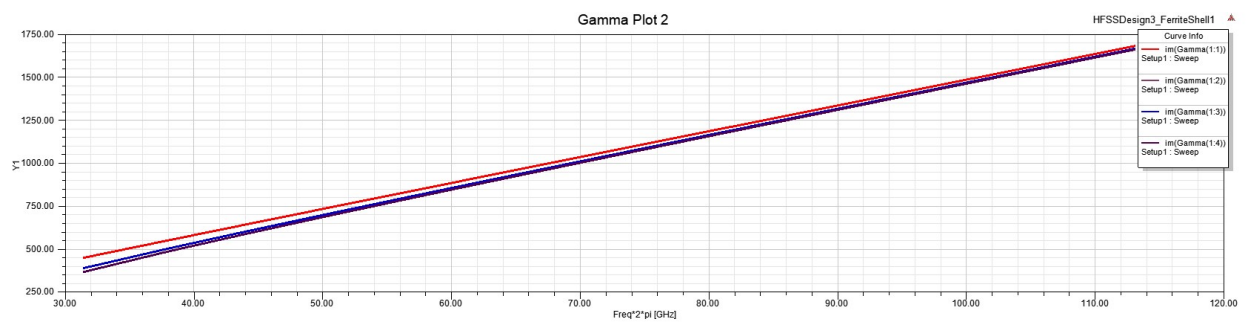
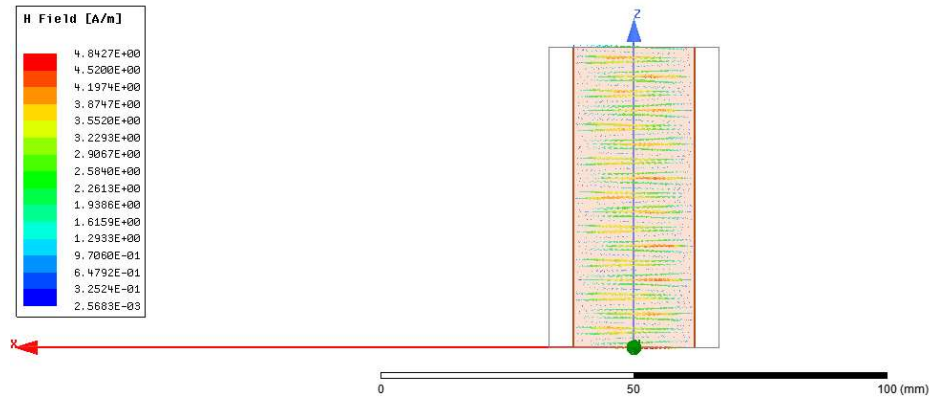
E Vector:





H Vector:

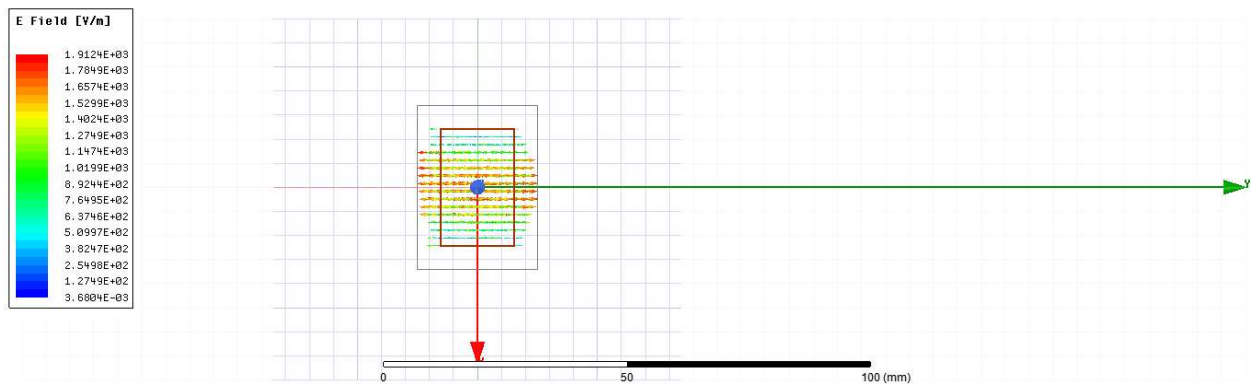


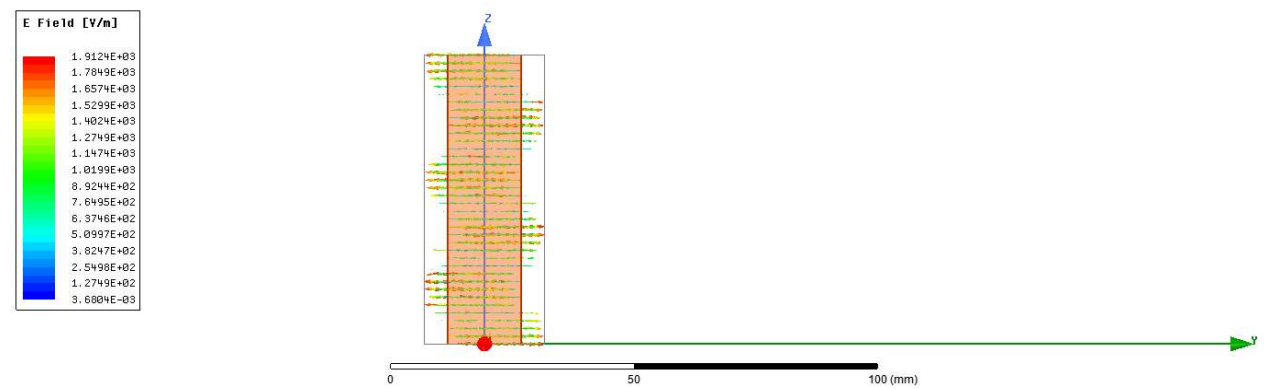
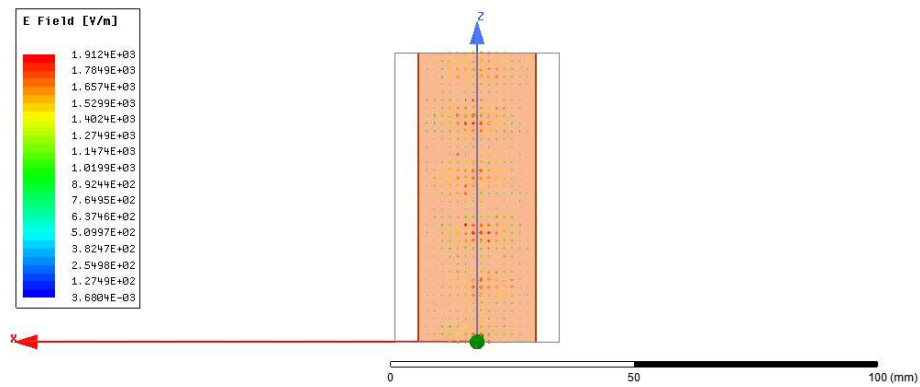


c. Lossy dielectric

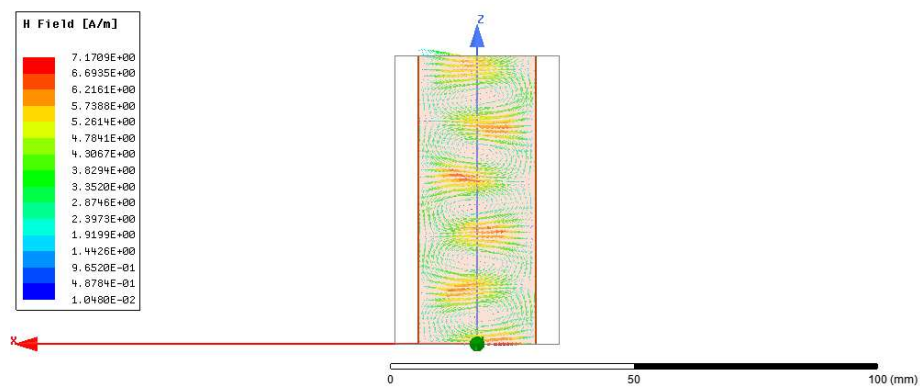
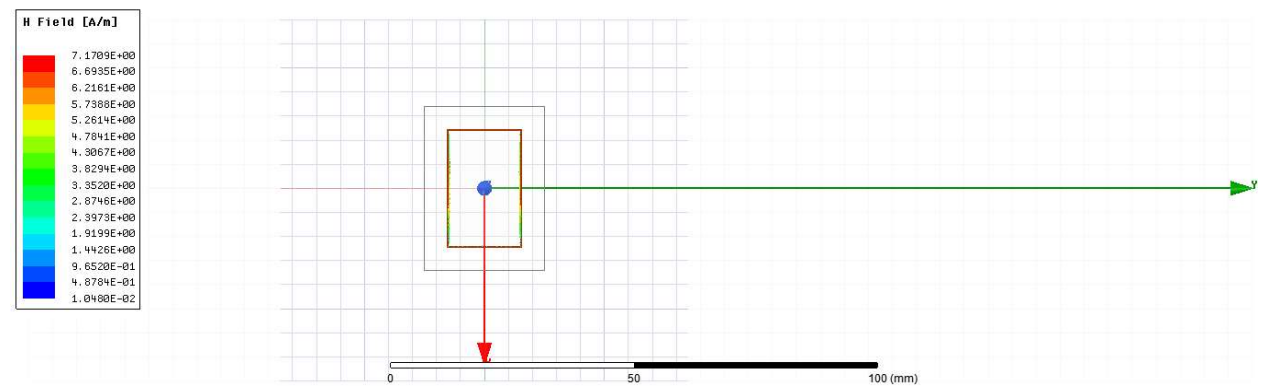
The material used for waveguide made with a Lossy dielectric is Teflon ($\mu_r = 2.1$, $\epsilon_r = 1$). Both the electric and magnetic field was are distorted by the material. It was however not as compressed as the magnetodielectric.

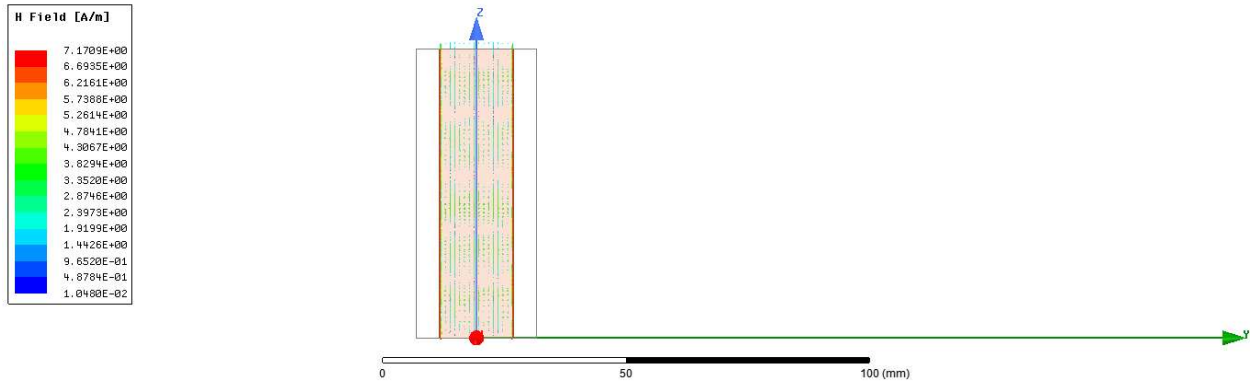
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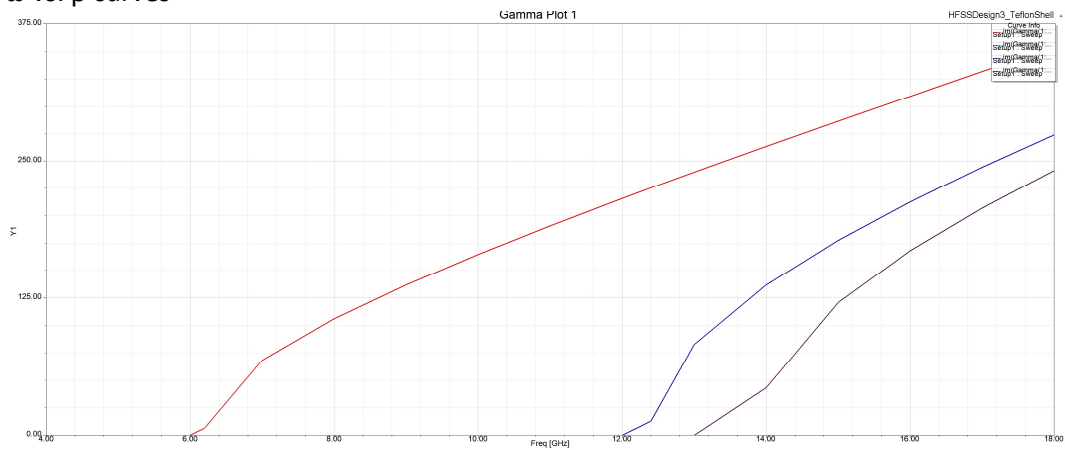


H Vector:





ω vs. β curves



- For each case, state clearly the material properties that you used (you can pick a particular material and look up the properties and use those or come up with your own material parameters) and plot TE₁₀ and TM₁₁ modes and compare with your results in part 2.
- Also, repeat part 3 for a.-c.