

# Directional Couplers

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## (1) Waveguide two-hole couplers

### Analysis

Constructive and destructive interference effects

### Co-directional coupler

Coupled signal will travel in the same direction as the incident wave.

## (2) Microstrip or stripline couplers

### Analysis

Even-and odd-mode

Set unwanted output to zero

### Counter-directional coupler

Coupled signal will travel in the opposite direction as the incident wave.

## (3) Multi-section coupled line couplers

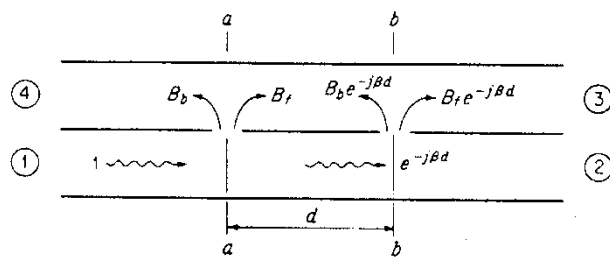
Single section: Narrow bandwidth

Multi-section: Wider bandwidth

Multi-octave, Example:      2- 18 GHz  
   2- 8 GHz

Common type: Odd numbers of sections and each one is  $\lambda/4$  .  
Analysis: Small coupling (C: small)  
Does not satisfy the energy conservation

## Two- hole Couplers (waveguide)



**FIGURE 6.21**  
Two-hole directional coupler.

Forward direction is always in phase.  
Path length is the same.

$$d = \frac{\lambda_g}{4}$$

Backward direction may get no output if  
Due to phase cancellation of two signals.

Coupled output at (3)

$$C = B_f e^{-j\beta d} + B_f e^{-j\beta d} = 2 B_f e^{-j\beta d}$$

through (a) through (b)

Coupled output at (4)

$$D = B_b + B_b e^{-2j\beta d}$$

$$D = B_b 2 e^{-j\beta d} \cos \beta d$$

$$|D| = 2 B_b |\cos \beta d|$$

$$D=0 \text{ at } \beta d = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{or } d = \frac{\lambda_g}{4}$$

Waveguide multi hole couplers

(1) Co directional coupler

Group velocity is in the same direction.  
Phase velocity is in the same direction

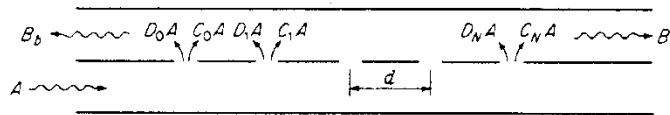
(2) Port 4. (Undesired output port)

$$d = \frac{\lambda_g}{4}$$

is zero if

If the operating freq is changed, the output is non-zero.

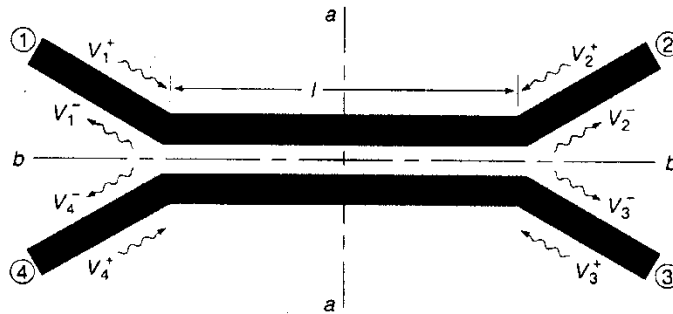
(3) Fairly narrow band device



**FIGURE 6.23**

A multielement directional coupler.

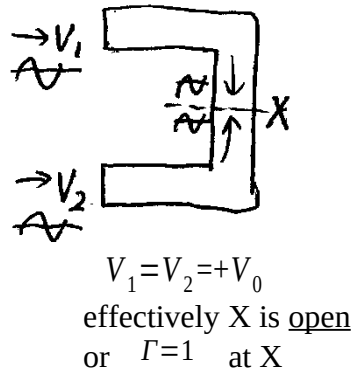
## Coupled-line Directional Couplers



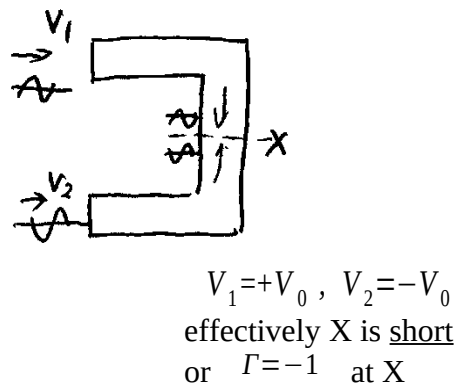
**FIGURE 6.25**  
A microstrip coupled-line directional coupler.

Odd-even mode analysis to get S-parameters.

Even mode



Odd mode



Directional coupler has 2 symmetry planes: a-a and b-b  
a-a can be OPEN or SHORT. Similarly, b-b can be OPEN or SHORT. Therefore, we have 4 combinations.

a/ a-a: OPEN  
b-b: OPEN  $\rightarrow$  Even  $Z_e, \beta_e$

$$V_1^+ = V_2^+ = V_3^+ = V_4^+ = V^+$$

b/ a-a: SHORT  
b-b: OPEN  $\rightarrow$  Even  $Z_e, \beta_e$

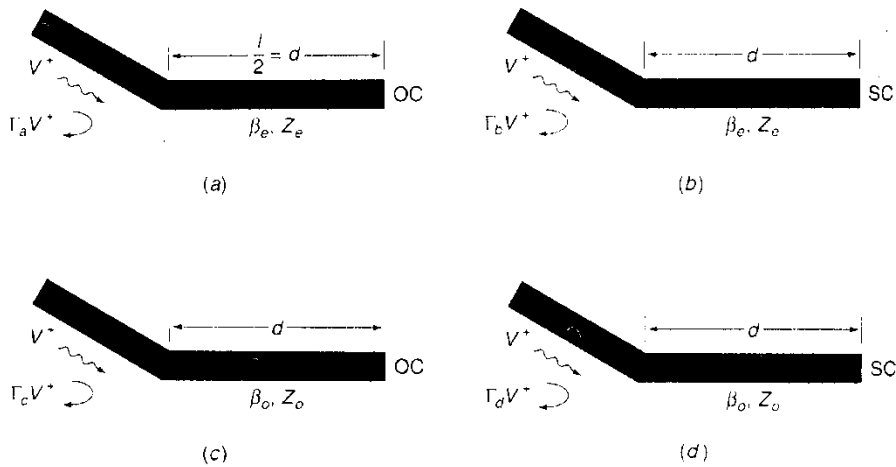
$$V_1^+ = V_4^+ = V^+ \\ V_2^+ = V_3^+ = -V^+$$

c/ a-a: OPEN  
b-b: SHORT  $\rightarrow$  Odd  $Z_0, \beta_0$

$$V_1^+ = -V_4^+ = V^+ \\ V_2^+ = -V_3^+ = V^+$$

d/ a-a: SHORT  
b-b: SHORT  $\rightarrow$  Odd  $Z_0, \beta_0$

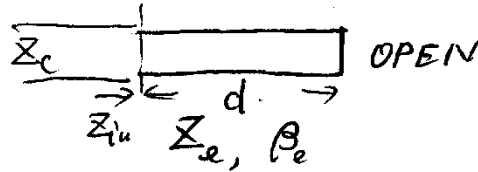
$$V_1^+ = -V_4^+ = V^+ \\ V_2^+ = -V_3^+ = -V^+$$



**FIGURE 6.26**  
Equivalent circuit for one-quarter of the coupled-line directional coupler when (a) the planes  $aa$  and  $bb$  are magnetic walls, (b)  $aa$  is an electric wall and  $bb$  is a magnetic wall, (c)  $aa$  is a magnetic wall and  $bb$  is an electric wall, (d)  $aa$  and  $bb$  are both electric walls.

Input impedance & the reflection coefficient of a TL with OPEN

a/



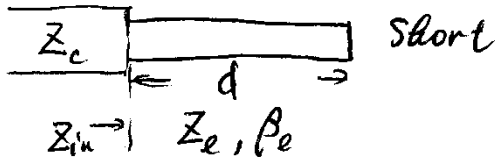
$$Z_{in} = -jZ_e \cot \beta_e d$$

$$\Gamma_a = \frac{Z_{in} - Z_c}{Z_{in} + Z_c} = \frac{-jZ_e \cot \beta_e d - Z_c}{-jZ_e \cot \beta_e d + Z_c}$$

$Z_c$  : characteristic impedance of the line w/o coupled section

$$\begin{aligned} [V_1^- &= \Gamma_a V_1^+ \\ [V_2^- &= \Gamma_a V_2^+ \\ [V_3^- &= \Gamma_a V_3^+ \\ [V_4^- &= \Gamma_a V_4^+ \end{aligned}$$

b/



$$Z_{in} = jZ_e \tan \beta_e d$$

$$\Gamma_b = \frac{jZ_e \tan \beta_e d - Z_c}{jZ_e \tan \beta_e d + Z_c}$$

c/

$$Z_{in} = -jZ_0 \cot \beta_0 d, \quad \Gamma_c = \frac{-jZ_0 \cot \beta_0 d - Z_c}{-jZ_0 \cot \beta_0 d + Z_c}$$

d/

$$Z_{in} = jZ_0 \tan \beta_0 d, \quad \Gamma_d = \frac{jZ_0 \tan \beta_0 d - Z_c}{jZ_0 \tan \beta_0 d + Z_c}$$

If we add (a), (b), (c) & (d), we have

$$\begin{aligned} [V_1^+ &= 4 V^+ \\ [V_2^+ &= 0 \\ [V_3^+ &= 0 \\ [V_4^+ &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad \text{only part 1 is excited}$$

$V_1^-$  is due to  $V_1^+$ ,  $V_2^+$ ,  $V_3^+$ ,  $V_4^+$ . We can write

$$V_1^- = \Gamma_a V_1^+ + \Gamma_b V_2^+ + \Gamma_c V_3^+ + \Gamma_d V_4^+ = \frac{1}{4}(\Gamma_a + \Gamma_b + \Gamma_c + \Gamma_d) V_1^+$$

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} V_2^- &= \frac{1}{4}(\Gamma_a - \Gamma_b + \Gamma_c - \Gamma_d) V_1^+ \\ V_3^- &= \frac{1}{4}(\Gamma_a - \Gamma_b - \Gamma_c + \Gamma_d) V_1^+ \\ V_4^- &= \frac{1}{4}(\Gamma_a + \Gamma_b - \Gamma_c - \Gamma_d) V_1^+ \end{aligned}$$

Desired characteristics

$$V_1^- = 0 \quad \text{No reflection (matched)}$$

$$V_3^- = 0 \quad \text{matched port}$$

$$V_4^- \text{ or } S_{41} \quad \text{Coupled output}$$

Or we can see

$$\begin{aligned} [\Gamma_a + \Gamma_d &= 0 \\ ][\Gamma_b + \Gamma_c &= 0 \quad ] \rightarrow \text{then } V_1^- = 0 \wedge V_3^- = 0 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_a + \Gamma_d &= \frac{2(Z_c^2 t_e - Z_e Z_0 t_e)}{jZ_c(Z_c - Z_0 t_e t_0) - Z_c^2 t_e - Z_e Z_0 t_0} \\ \Gamma_b + \Gamma_c &= \frac{2(Z_c^2 t_0 - Z_e Z_0 t_e)}{jZ_c(Z_0 - Z_e t_e t_0) - Z_c^2 t_0 - Z_e Z_0 t_e} \end{aligned}$$

$$t_0 = \tan \beta_0 d, \quad t_e = \tan \beta_e d$$

The ideal directional coupler has  $\beta = \beta_0 = \beta_e$  ( $t_e = t_0$ )

If we choose  $Z_c^2 = Z_e Z_0$ , then

$$\begin{cases} \Gamma_a + \Gamma_d = 0 \\ \Gamma_b + \Gamma_c = 0 \end{cases}$$

Therefore, if we set  $Z_c^2 = Z_e Z_0$ , we get

$$V_1^- = 0$$

$$V_3^- = 0$$

Using  $t = t_e = t_0$  and  $Z_c^2 = Z_e Z_0$ , we can obtain

$$\Gamma_a + \Gamma_b - \Gamma_c - \Gamma_d = 2(\Gamma_a + \Gamma_b) = 4 \left[ \frac{(Z_c^2 - Z_e^2) t}{j Z_c Z_e (1 - t^2) - (Z_c^2 + Z_e^2) t} \right]$$

$$\Gamma_a + \Gamma_b = \frac{-2(Z_e - Z_0) \sin 2\beta d}{j 2 Z_c \cos 2\beta d - (Z_e + Z_0) \sin 2\beta d}$$

or

Finally we get

$$S_{41} = \frac{1}{2}(\Gamma_a + \Gamma_b) = \frac{j \left( \frac{Z_e - Z_0}{Z_e + Z_0} \right) \sin 2\beta d}{\left( \frac{2 Z_c}{Z_e + Z_0} \right) \cos 2\beta d + j \sin 2\beta d}$$

If we use

$$c = \frac{Z_e - Z_0}{Z_e + Z_0} \quad \text{and} \quad 2d = l$$

We get  $|S_{41}|$

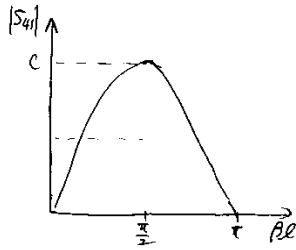
$$|S_{41}| = \frac{c \sin \beta l}{\sqrt{(1 - c^2) \cos^2 \beta l + \sin^2 \beta l}} = \frac{c \sin \beta l}{\sqrt{1 - c^2 \cos^2 \beta l}}$$

$$|S_{41}| \text{ is max at } \beta l = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$|S_{41}| = c$$

$$|S_{41}| \text{ is min at } \beta l = \pi$$

$$|S_{41}| = 0$$



$$S_{21} = \frac{\sqrt{1-c^2}}{\sqrt{1-c^2} \cos \beta l + j \sin \beta l}$$

$$|S_{21}| = 1 \quad \text{at} \quad \beta l = \pi$$

$$|S_{21}| = \sqrt{1-c^2} \quad \text{at} \quad \beta l = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

### Coupled-line directional coupler (Microstrip Type)

1/ Contra-directional



- Group velocity  $V_g$  is in the opposite direction.
- Phase velocity is in the same direction.

2/ Port 1 & 3 are matched at all freq

$$S_{11} = 0 \wedge S_{31} = 0$$

3/ Fairly narrow band

Wideband response can be obtained using multi-section coupled lines

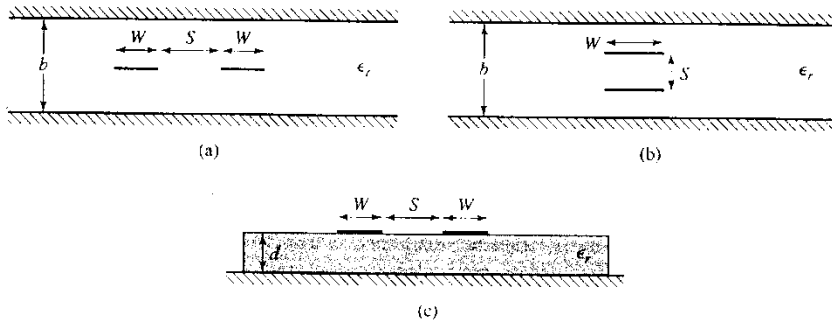
4/ Coupled length  $l = \frac{\lambda}{4}$

5/ Control  $Z_0 \wedge Z_e$  to get a desired coupling coefficient.

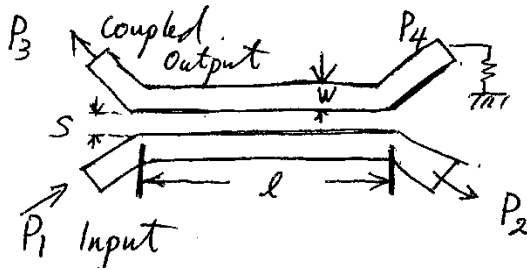


## Another method to analyze coupled line

### Coupled Line Directional Couplers



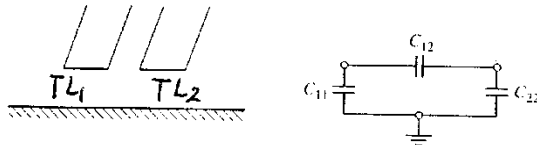
Various coupled transmission line geometries. (a) Coupled stripline (planar, or edge-coupled). (b) Coupled stripline (stacked, or broadside-coupled). (c) Coupled microstrip.



Unlike a waveguide coupler, the coupled output appears at  $P_3$  (back direction)  
We want to determine

- S: gap width
- W: line width
- L: TL length

Analysis

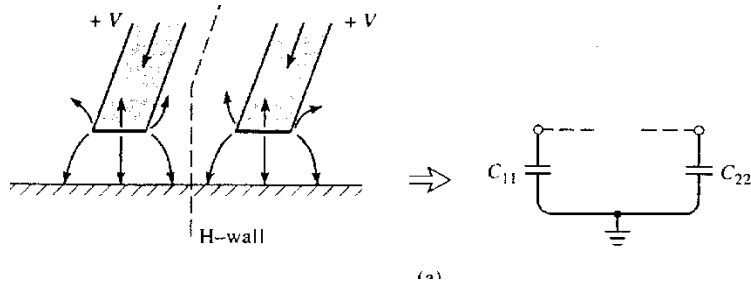


A three-wire coupled transmission line and its equivalent capacitance network.

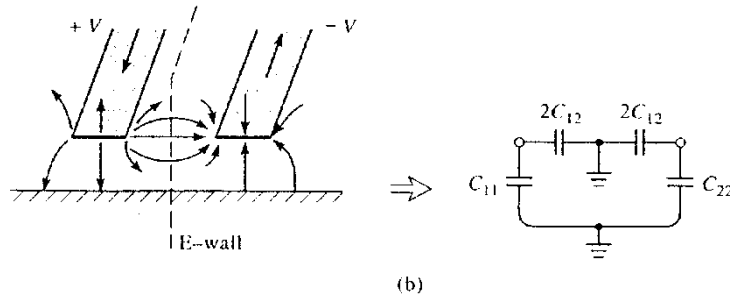
- $C_{11}$  due to  $TL_1$  without  $TL_2$
- $C_{22}$  due to  $TL_2$  without  $TL_1$
- $C_{12}$  mutual coupling

## Even & Odd mode analysis

Even  
Mode



Odd  
Mode



Even- and odd-mode excitations for a coupled line, and the resulting equivalent capacitance networks. (a) Even-mode excitation. (b) Odd-mode excitation.

Even mode

Let  $C_e = C_{11} = C_{22}$

$$Z_{0e} = \sqrt{\frac{L}{C_e}} = \frac{1}{vC_e}$$

where  $v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC_e}}$  phase velocity

$$Z_{0e} = \frac{V_{even}^+}{I_{even}^+}$$

Odd mode

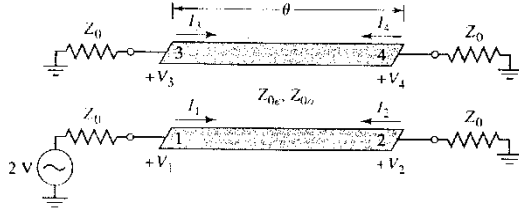
$$C_0 = C_{11} + 2C_{12} = C_{22} + 2C_{12}$$

$$Z_{0o} = \sqrt{\frac{L}{C_0}} = \frac{1}{vC_0} \quad \text{where} \quad v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC_0}}$$

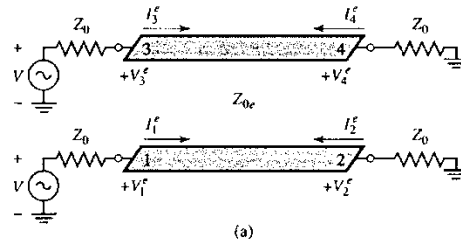
We want to obtain

$$\frac{P_3}{P_1}, \frac{P_2}{P_1}, \frac{P_4}{P_1}$$

We want to set  $S_{11}=S_{22}=S_{33}=S_{44}=0$

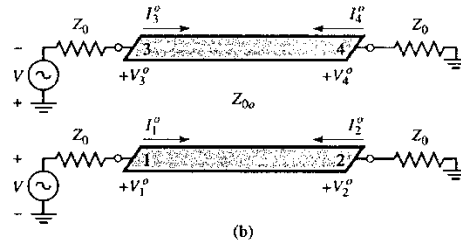


Even  
case



$$\begin{aligned} V_{1e} &= V_{3e} \\ V_{4e} &= V_{2e} \\ I_{1e} &= I_{3e} \\ I_{4e} &= I_{2e} \end{aligned}$$

Odd  
case

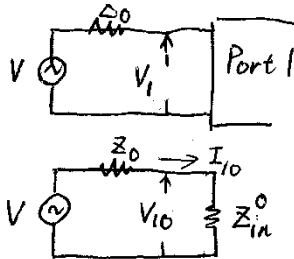


$$\begin{aligned} V_{1o} &= -V_{3o} \\ V_{4o} &= -V_{2o} \\ I_{1o} &= -I_{3o} \\ I_{4o} &= -I_{2o} \end{aligned}$$

Decomposition of the coupled line coupler circuit of Figure 7.31 into even- and odd-mode excitations. (a) Even mode. (b) Odd mode.

### Input matching (Port 1)

$$Z_{in} = \frac{V_1}{I_1} = \frac{V_{1e} + V_{1o}}{I_{1e} + I_{1o}}$$



$$V_{1o} = V \left( \frac{Z_{in}^0}{Z_{in}^0 + Z_0} \right)$$

$$V_{1e} = V \left( \frac{Z_{in}^e}{Z_{in}^e + Z_0} \right)$$

$$Z_{in}^0 = Z_{0o} \left( \frac{Z_0 + jZ_{0o} \tan \beta l}{Z_{0o} + jZ_0 \tan \beta l} \right)$$

$$Z_{in}^e = Z_{0e} \left( \frac{Z_0 + jZ_{0e} \tan \beta l}{Z_{0e} + jZ_0 \tan \beta l} \right)$$

$$I_{10} = \frac{V_{10}}{Z_{in}^0} = \frac{V}{Z_{in}^0 + Z_0}$$

$$I_{1e} = \frac{V_{1e}}{Z_{in}^e} = \frac{V}{Z_{in}^e + Z_0}$$

Then

$$Z_{in} = \frac{V_1}{I_1} = Z_0 + \frac{2(Z_{in}^0 Z_{in}^e - Z_0^2)}{Z_{in}^e + Z_{in}^0 + 2Z_0}$$

We need to set  $Z_{in} = Z_0$ . This can be done by setting  $Z_0 = \sqrt{Z_{0e} Z_{00}}$  because

$$Z_{in}^0 Z_{in}^e = Z_{0e} Z_{00} = Z_0^2$$

This gives us

$$Z_{in} = Z_0 \quad \text{Port 1 matched.}$$

Port 2, 3, 4 are the same

Coupled voltage at Port 3

$$\begin{aligned} V_3 &= V_{3e} + V_{30} = V_{1e} - V_{10} = V \left[ \frac{Z_{in}^e}{Z_{in}^e + Z_0} - \frac{Z_{in}^0}{Z_{in}^0 + Z_0} \right] \\ V_3 &= V \left[ \frac{j(Z_{0e} - Z_{00}) \tan \theta}{2Z_0 + j(Z_{0e} + Z_{00}) \tan \theta} \right] \quad \theta = \beta l \\ &= V \frac{jC \tan \theta}{\sqrt{1 - C^2} + j \tan \theta} \end{aligned}$$

Where

$$C = \frac{Z_{0e} - Z_{00}}{Z_{0e} + Z_{00}} \quad \text{Coupling coefficient}$$

Special cases

At DC (Low frequency)

$$\theta \rightarrow 0$$

$$V_3 = 0$$

No coupling

at  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \left( l = \frac{\lambda}{4} \right) \quad \tan \theta \rightarrow \infty$

$$V_3 = V C$$

$$\text{at } \theta = \pi \quad \left( l = \frac{\lambda}{4} \right) \quad \tan \theta = 0$$

$$V_3 = 0$$

Periodic function

$$\text{Let } V_{10} = A_0 + B_0 \quad \wedge \quad V_{1e} = A_e + B_e$$

$$A_0, A_e : \text{ Incident}$$

$$B_0, B_e : \text{ Reflected}$$

$$V_{20} = A_0 e^{-jx} + B_0 e^{jx} \quad x = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$V_{2e} = A_e e^{-jx} + B_e e^{jx}$$

$$V_{2e} - V_{20} = A_e e^{-jx} + B_e e^{jx} - A_0 e^{-jx} - B_0 e^{jx}$$

$$= -jA_e + jB_e + jA_0 - jB_0$$

$$= -j(A_e - B_e) + j(A_0 - B_0)$$

$$= -j[(A_e - B_e) - (A_0 - B_0)]$$

Current

$$I_{10} = \frac{V_{10}}{Z_{in}^0} = \frac{1}{Z_{00}} (A_0 - B_0) = \frac{V}{Z_{in}^0 + Z_0}$$

$$I_{1e} = \frac{V_{1e}}{Z_{in}^e} = \frac{1}{Z_{0e}} (A_e - B_e) = \frac{V}{Z_{in}^e + Z_0}$$

$$V_{2e} - V_{20} = -j \left[ \frac{V Z_{0e}}{Z_{in}^e + Z_0} - \frac{V Z_{00}}{Z_{in}^0 + Z_0} \right]$$

$$\text{If } \beta l = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad Z_{in}^0 = \frac{Z_{00}^2}{Z_0}, \quad Z_{in}^0 Z_{in}^0 = Z_{0e} Z_{00} = Z_0^2$$

Then

$$V_{2e} - V_{20} = 0 \quad \text{No output from port 4}$$

Coupled voltage at Port 4

$$V_4 = V_{4e} + V_{40} = V_{2e} - V_{20} = 0$$

Port 4 isolated

Coupled voltage at Port 2

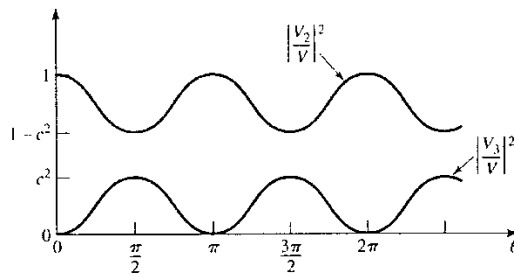
$$V_2 = V_{2e} + V_{20} = V \frac{\sqrt{1-c^2}}{\sqrt{1-c^2} \cos \theta + j \sin \theta}$$

at  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$V_2 = V(-j\sqrt{1-c^2}) \quad \text{min}$$

at  $\theta = \pi$

$$V_2 = V \quad \text{max}$$



Coupled and through port voltages (squared) versus frequency for the coupled line coupler of Figure 7.31.

at  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$\frac{V_3}{V} = c$$

$$\frac{V_2}{V} = -j\sqrt{1-c^2}$$

$90^\circ$  phase shift

Coupler Design Process

1/ Desired  $c$  eg 20dB coupler  $c=0.1$

2/ Obtain  $Z_{0e} \wedge Z_{00}$

$$Z_{0e} = Z_0 \sqrt{\frac{1+c}{1-c}}$$

$$Z_{00} = Z_0 \sqrt{\frac{1-c}{1+c}}$$

3/ Find  $Z_{00} \wedge Z_{0e}$  in terms of  $C_{11}, C_{12} \wedge C_{22}$

$$Z_{00} = \frac{1}{vC_0} = \frac{1}{v} \frac{1}{(C_{11} + 2C_{12})} \quad , \quad C_{11} = C_{22}$$

$$Z_{0e} = \frac{1}{vC_e} = \frac{1}{v} \frac{1}{C_{11}}$$

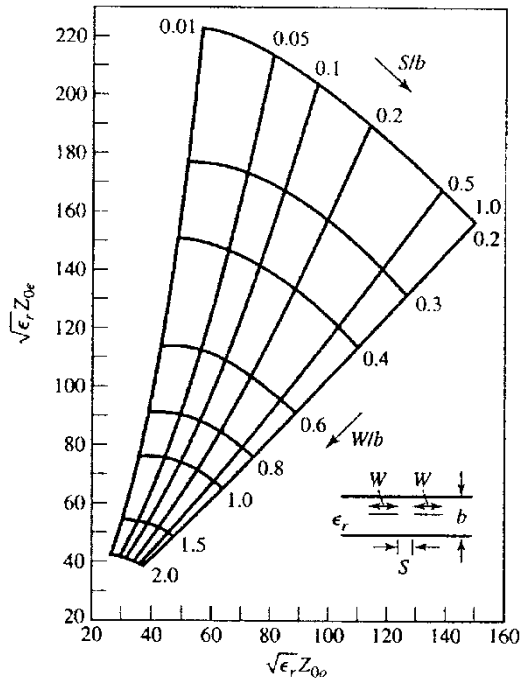
4/ Calculate  $C_{11}, C_{12} \wedge C_{33}$  in terms of the gap width S, line width W, PCB characteristic. (geometry)

### Example 20 dB stripline coupler

$$C = 0.1$$

$$Z_{0e} = 50 \sqrt{\frac{1+0.1}{1-0.1}} = 55.28 \, \Omega$$

$$Z_{00} = 50 \sqrt{\frac{1-0.1}{1+0.1}} = 45.23 \, \Omega$$



Normalized even- and odd-mode characteristic impedance design data for edge-coupled striplines.

Let  $\epsilon_r = 2.56$ ,  $b = 1.59 \text{ mm}$

$$\sqrt{\epsilon_r} Z_{0e} = 88.4 \quad , \quad \sqrt{\epsilon_r} Z_{00} = 72.4$$

Then

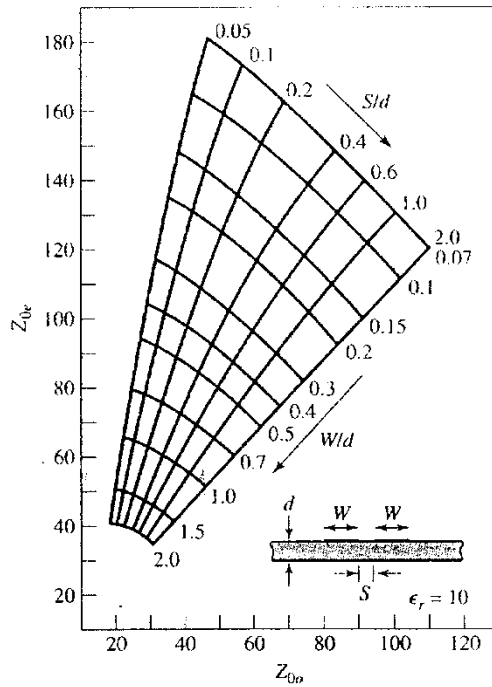
$$\frac{w}{b} = 0.72 \quad w = 1.14 \text{ mm}$$

$$\frac{S}{b} = 0.34 \quad S = 0.54 \text{ mm} \quad \leftarrow \text{Small}$$

**Example** 20 dB  $\mu$ -strip coupler  
 $\epsilon_r = 10$ ,  $d = 1.59 \text{ mm}$

$$Z_{0e} = 50 \sqrt{\frac{1+0.1}{1-0.1}} = 55.28 \Omega$$

$$Z_{0o} = 50 \sqrt{\frac{1-0.1}{1+0.1}} = 45.23 \Omega$$



Even- and odd-mode characteristic impedance design data for coupled microstrip lines.

$$\frac{w}{d} = 0.9 \quad w = 1.43 \text{ mm}$$

$$\frac{S}{d} = 1.5 \quad S = 2.385 \text{ mm}$$



## Coupled Mode Theory Based on Small Coupling

Wave propagation on a TL is given by

$$a_1 = e^{-j\beta z}$$

or

$$\frac{da_1}{dz} = -j\beta a_1$$

Suppose if we have two coupled lines ; we get

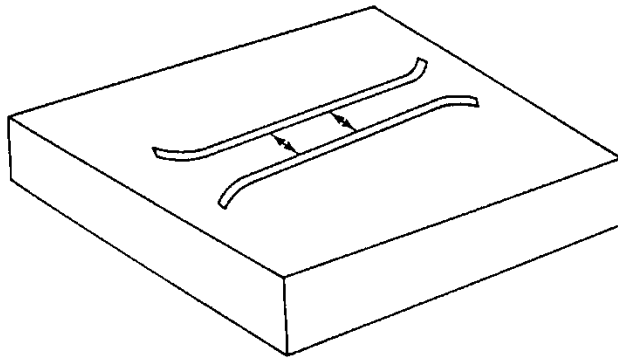
$$\frac{da_1}{dz} = -j\beta_{10} a_1 - jc_{12} a_2$$

$$\frac{da_2}{dz} = -j\beta_{20} a_2 - jc_{21} a_1$$

$\beta_{10}$  and  $\beta_{20}$  are the propagation constant of lines 1 & 2

$c_{12}$  and  $c_{21}$  are coupling coefficients.

Assumptions: weak coupling



**Figure 7-15** Coupling between two strip lines.

Lossless case

$$P_1 = a_1 \dot{a}_1 \quad \text{unit of } a_1 \quad \frac{V}{\sqrt{Z_0}}$$

Power

$$\frac{dP_1}{dz} = \frac{d}{dz} (a_1 \dot{a}_1) = a_1 \frac{d\dot{a}_1}{dz} + \dot{a}_1 \frac{da_1}{dz}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dP_1}{dz} &= a_1 [j\beta_{10} \dot{a}_1 + jc_{12} \dot{a}_2] + \dot{a}_1 [-j\beta_{10} a_1 - jc_{12} a_2] \\ &= -ja_1 [\beta_{10} - \beta_{10}^*] \dot{a}_1 + ja_1 c_{12} \dot{a}_2 - j\dot{a}_1 c_{12} a_2 \\ &\quad - ja_1 [\beta_{10} - \beta_{10}^*] \dot{a}_1 + 2R_e[ja_1 c_{12} \dot{a}_2] \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dP_2}{dz} = -j a_2 [\beta_{20} - \beta_{20}^i] a_2^i + 2 R_e [-j a_1 c_{21} a_2^i]$$

Lossless  $\beta_{10} \wedge \beta_{20}$  are real

$$\text{Or } \beta_{10} - \beta_{10}^i = 0$$

$$\beta_{20} - \beta_{20}^i = 0$$

Also energy must be conserved

[If  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are in the same direction (same group velocity), then  $\frac{d}{dz}(P_1 + P_2) = 0$ ]

$$[ \text{Then } c_{12} = c_{21}^i ]$$

[If  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are in the opposite direction (group velocity is opposite), then  $\frac{d}{dz}(P_1 - P_2) = 0$ ]

$$[ \text{or } c_{12} = -c_{21}^i ]$$

Co-directional Coupler (  $c_{12} = c_{21}^i$  )

$$\frac{da_1}{dz} = -j\beta_{10} a_1 - j c_{12} a_2$$

$$\frac{da_2}{dz} = -j c_{21} a_1 - j\beta_{20} a_2$$

$$\text{Let } a_1 = A_1 e^{-j\beta z}$$

Coupled line : periodic behavior

$\beta$  : eigen value  
)  $A_1$  : eigen vector )

$$a_2 = A_2 e^{-j\beta z}$$

$i$

determine the characteristics of this

wave

We get

$$\begin{bmatrix} \beta_{10} & c_{12} \\ c_{21} & \beta_{20} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \\ A_2 \end{bmatrix} = \beta \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \\ A_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \beta_{10} - \beta & c_{12} \\ c_{21} & \beta_{20} - \beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \\ A_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

The determinant must be 0

$$(\beta_{10} - \beta)(\beta_{20} - \beta) - c_{21} c_{12} = 0$$

Solutions

$$\beta_1 = \beta_a + \beta_b$$

$$\beta_2 = \beta_a - \beta_b$$

where

$$\beta_a = \frac{1}{2} (\beta_{10} + \beta_{20})$$

$$\beta_b = \sqrt{\beta_d^2 + c_{12} c_{21}} = \sqrt{\beta_d^2 + |c_{12}|^2}$$

$$\beta_d = \frac{1}{2} (\beta_{10} - \beta_{20})$$

Eigen vectors

$$\frac{A_2}{A_1} = \frac{\beta - \beta_{10}}{c_{12}} = \frac{c_{21}}{\beta - \beta_{20}}$$

Solutions

$$a_1 = c_1 e^{-j\beta_1 z} + c_2 e^{-j\beta_2 z}$$

$$a_2 = c_1 \left( \frac{\beta_1 - \beta_{10}}{c_{12}} \right) e^{-j\beta_1 z} + c_2 \left( \frac{\beta_2 - \beta_{10}}{c_{12}} \right) e^{-j\beta_2 z}$$

If the input is given by

$$a_1(z=0) = a_0 \text{ and } a_2(z=0) = 0$$

Then

$$a_1(z) = a_0 \left( \cos \beta_b z - j \frac{\beta_d}{\beta_b} \sin \beta_b z \right) \exp(-j\beta_a z)$$

$$a_2(z) = a_0 \frac{c_{21}}{\beta_b} \sin \beta_b z \exp(-j\beta_a z)$$

$$P_1 = |a_1(z)|^2$$

$$P_2 = |a_2(z)|^2$$

$$P_1 + P_2 = \text{constant if lossless}$$

$P_{2 \max}$  is given by

$$P_{2 \max} = \frac{|c_{12}|^2}{|\beta_d|^2 + |c_{12}|^2} |a_0|^2$$

If  $\beta_d = 0$  (or  $\beta_{10} = \beta_{20}$ ), then  $P_{2 \max} = |a_0|^2$   
100% power transfer

Contra direction Coupler

$\beta_{10} > 0$   
 $\beta_{20} > 0$  but  $V_{g1}$  and  $V_{g2}$  are in the opposite direction

$$c_{12} = -c_{21}^*$$

Similar to the co-directional case, we write

$$a_1 = A_1 \exp(-j\beta z)$$

$$a_2 = A_2 \exp(-j\beta z)$$

Two solutions are

$$\beta_1 = \beta_a + \beta_b$$

$$\beta_2 = \beta_a - \beta_b$$

where

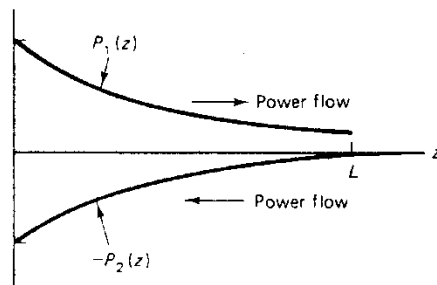
$$\beta_a = \frac{1}{2}(\beta_{10} + \beta_{20})$$

$$\beta_b = \sqrt{(\beta_d)^2 - |c_{12}|^2}$$

$$\beta_d = \frac{1}{2}(\beta_{10} - \beta_{20})$$

$\beta_b$  will be imaginary if  $\beta_d^2 < |c_{12}|^2$

Then  $|a_1|$  decreases exponentially &  $|a_2|$  increases exponentially. (assume  $a_1$  is input)



$$P_1 - P_2 = \text{constant}$$

**Figure 7-17** Contradirectional coupler.

$a_1$  and  $a_2$  are given by

$$a_1 = c_1 e^{-j\beta_1 z} + c_2 e^{-j\beta_2 z}$$

$$a_2 = c_1 \left( \frac{\beta_1 - \beta_{10}}{c_{12}} \right) e^{-j\beta_1 z} + c_2 \left( \frac{\beta_2 - \beta_{10}}{c_{12}} \right) e^{-j\beta_2 z}$$

Boundary conditions

$$a_1(z=0) = a_0$$

$$a_2(z=L) = 0$$

$$c_1 + c_2 = a_0$$

$$X = \frac{\beta_1 - \beta_{10}}{c_{12}}$$

$$Y = \frac{\beta_2 - \beta_{10}}{c_{12}}$$

$$c_1 X e^{-j\beta_1 L} + c_2 Y e^{-j\beta_2 L} = 0$$

$$\beta_1 = \beta_a + \beta_b$$

$$\beta_2 = \beta_a - \beta_b$$

$\beta_b$ : Imaginary

$$c_1 X e^{-j\beta_a L} e^{-\beta_b L} + c_2 Y e^{-j\beta_a L} e^{+\beta_b L} = 0$$

or

$$c_1 X e^{-\beta_b L} + c_2 Y e^{+\beta_b L} = 0$$

From this we get

$$c_1 = \frac{-a_0 Y e^{+2\beta_b L}}{X - Y e^{+2\beta_b L}}$$

$$c_2 = \frac{a_0 X}{X - Y e^{+2\beta_b L}}$$

$$a_1 = \left( c_1 e^{-\beta_b z} + c_2 e^{+\beta_b z} \right) e^{-j\beta_a z}$$

$$a_2 = \left( c_1 X e^{-\beta_b z} + c_2 Y e^{+\beta_b z} \right) e^{-j\beta_a z}$$