

1. A parallel-plate waveguide is known to have a cutoff wavelength for the  $m = 1$  TE and TM modes of  $\lambda_{c1} = 4.1$  mm. The guide is operated at wavelength  $\lambda = 1.0$  mm. How many modes propagate?
2. The cutoff frequency of the  $m = 1$  TE and TM modes in an air-filled parallel-plate waveguide is known to be  $f_{c1} = 7.5$  GHz. The guide is used at wavelength  $\lambda = 1.5$  cm. Find the group velocity of the  $m = 2$  TE and TM modes.
3. A rectangular waveguide has dimensions  $a = 6$  cm and  $b = 4$  cm.
  - a) Over what range of frequencies will the guide operate in single mode? b) Over what frequency range will the guide support both  $TE_{10}$  and  $TE_{01}$  modes and no others?
4. A parallel-plate guide has plate spacing  $d = 5$  mm and is filled with glass (refractive index  $n = 1.45$ ). What is the maximum frequency at which the guide will operate in the TEM mode only?
5. An air-filled rectangular waveguide has dimensions  $a = 2$  cm and  $b = 1$  cm. Determine the range of frequencies over which the guide will operate in single mode ( $TE_{10}$ ).
6. Consider a rectangular waveguide with dimensions  $2.28$  cm  $\times$   $1.01$  cm.
  - (a) What TE modes will propagate in this waveguide if the driving frequency is  $1.70 \times 10^{10}$  Hz?
  - (b) Suppose you wanted to excite only one TE mode; what range of frequencies could you use?
  - (c) What are the corresponding wavelengths (in open space)?
7. Show that the mode  $TE_{00}$  cannot occur in a rectangular waveguide.  
Hint: Show that  $B_z$  is a constant, and hence-applying Faraday's law in integral form to a cross section-that  $B_z = 0$ , so this would be a TEM mode.
8. Specify the minimum width,  $a$ , and the maximum height,  $b$ , of an air-filled rectangular waveguide so that it will operate in a single mode over the frequency range
 
$$15 \text{ GHz} < f < 20 \text{ GHz}.$$
9. A parallel-plate waveguide with plate separation  $d = 1$  cm is filled with glass having refractive index  $n = 1.45$ . If the operating frequency is 32 GHz, determine which modes will propagate.
10. An air-filled rectangular waveguide is to be constructed for single-mode operation at 15 GHz. Specify the guide dimensions,  $a$  and  $b$ , such that the design frequency is 10% higher than the cutoff frequency for the  $TE_{10}$  mode, while being 10% lower than the cutoff frequency for the next-higher-order mode.