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**Experiment No:**

**Title:** - Measurement of the free space wavelength of the microwave (for TE<sub>10</sub> mode) with the help of the X-band microwave test bench and verify with its theoretical calculation.

**Objective:** -

To determine the frequency & wavelength in a rectangular waveguide working on TE<sub>10</sub> mode.

**Instruments & Components:** -

- Gunn power supply
- Gunn Oscillator
- Isolator
- PIN modulator
- Frequency meter
- Slotted section
- Tunable probe
- Wave guide stand
- SWR meter
- Matched termination.

**Theory:** -

Mode represents in wave guides as either

$$TE\ m, n / TM\ m, n$$

Where,

TE – Transverse electric,

TM – Transverse magnetic

m – Number of half wavelength variation in x

directionn- Number of half wavelength variation

in y direction

$$\lambda_g/2 = d_1-d_2$$

where d<sub>1</sub> and d<sub>2</sub> are the distance between two minima and maxima.

It is having highest cutoff frequency hence dominant mode. For dominant mode TE<sub>10</sub> mode in rectangular wave guide  $\lambda_0$ ,  $\lambda_g$  and  $\lambda_c$  are related below.

$$1/\lambda_0^2 = 1/\lambda_g^2 + 1/\lambda_c^2$$

Where

$\lambda_0$  is free space wavelength

$\lambda_g$  is guide wavelength

$\lambda_c$  is cutoff wavelength

For TE<sub>10</sub> mode,  $\lambda_c = 2a/m$

where  $m = 1$  in TE<sub>10</sub> mode and 'a' is broad dimension of waveguide.

The following Relationship can be proved

$$C = f\lambda$$

Where

$C = 3 \times 10^8$  m/s is velocity of light

### **Procedure: -**

- 1) Set up the components and equipments as shown in fig.
- 2) Set the variable attenuator at no attenuation position.
- 3) First connect the matched termination after slotted section.
- 4) Keep the control knob of Gunn power supply as shown.

Gunn bias knob : fully anti- clockwise direction

PIN bias knob : fully anti- clockwise direction

PIN Mod frequency : mid position

Mode switch : Int. mode

Keep the control knob of SWR meter as shown.

Range dB : 50 dB

Crystal : 200 ohm

Mode switch : Normal mode

Gain (coarse & fine) : mid position

SWR/dB : dB position

- 5) Set the micrometer of Gunn oscillator at 10 cm position.

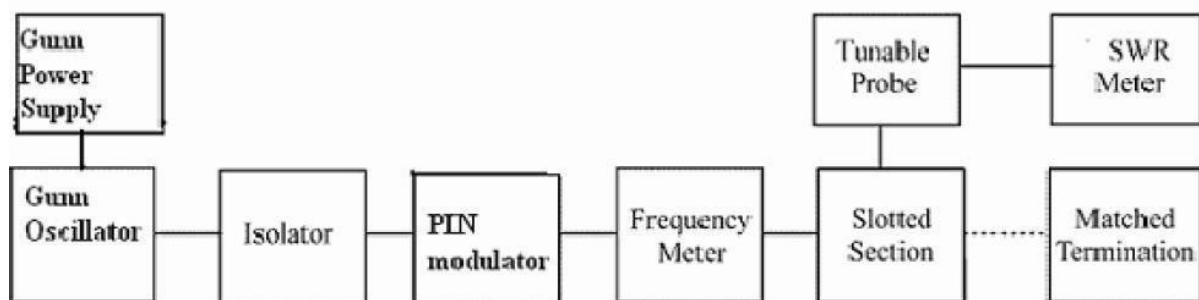


Figure: Setup for study of frequency & wave length measurement.

- 6) Switch on the Gunn power supply, SWR meter and cooling fan.
- 7) Observe the Gunn diode current corresponding to the various voltages controlled by the Gunn bias knob through the LCD, don't exceed the bias voltage above 10.5 volts.
- 8) Turn the meter switch of power supply to beam voltage position and set beam voltage at 300V with help of beam voltage knob, current around 15 to 20mA.
- 9) Tune the probe for maximum deflection in SWR meter.
- 10) Tune the frequency meter to get a 'dip' minimum reading on SWR LCD display and note down the frequency directly from frequency meter. Now you can detune the DRF meter.
- 11) Move the tunable probe along with the slotted line to get the maximum reading in SWR meter.

- 12) Move the tunable probe to a minimum gain position record the probe position i.e. d1.
- 13) Move the probe to next minimum position and record the probe position again i.e. d2.
- 14) Calculate the guide wavelength as twice the distance between two successive minimum positions obtained as above.

$$\lambda_g = 2(d_1 - d_2)$$

- 15) Measure the wave-guide inner broad dimension 'a' which will be around 22.86mm for X band.

$$\lambda_c = 2a$$

- 16) Calculate the frequency by following equation:  $F = c/\lambda = c (1/\lambda_g^2 + 1/\lambda_c^2)^{1/2}$

Where

$c = 3 \times 10^8$  meter/sec. i.e. velocity of light.

- 17) Verify with frequency obtained by frequency meter.
- 18) Above experiment can be verified at different frequencies

### **Calculations:**

### **Conclusion:**