

(7) The power splitting ratios (SR) of a directional coupler at 1300 nm and 1550 nm are 9:16 and 16:9 respectively for a given length of interaction. When the interaction length is increased to achieve an SR of 16:9 at 1300 nm, what would be the SR then at 1550 nm?  
{ Ans. SR = 9:2 }

**Solution:**

Let 1300 nm =  $\lambda_1$  and 1550 nm =  $\lambda_2$ .

Also assume at  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$ , the coupling coefficients are respectively  $\kappa_1$  and  $\kappa_2$ .

Let the original interaction length be  $L_1$  and that after increasing it be  $L_2$ .

So, for original interaction length:

$$\text{At 1300 nm: } \frac{P'_T}{P'_C} = \frac{\cos^2 \kappa_1 L_1}{\sin^2 \kappa_1 L_1} = \frac{9}{16} \Rightarrow \cot^2 \kappa_1 L_1 = \frac{9}{16} \Rightarrow \tan \kappa_1 L_1 = \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow \kappa_1 L_1 = 0.92729$$

$$\text{At 1550 nm: } \frac{P''_T}{P''_C} = \frac{\cos^2 \kappa_2 L_1}{\sin^2 \kappa_2 L_1} = \frac{16}{9} \Rightarrow \cot^2 \kappa_2 L_1 = \frac{16}{9} \Rightarrow \tan \kappa_2 L_1 = \frac{3}{4} \Rightarrow \kappa_2 L_1 = 0.64350$$

Later for increased interaction length:

$$\text{At 1300 nm: } \frac{P'''_T}{P'''_C} = \frac{\cos^2 \kappa_1 L_2}{\sin^2 \kappa_1 L_2} = \frac{16}{9} \Rightarrow \cot^2 \kappa_1 L_2 = \frac{16}{9} \Rightarrow \tan \kappa_1 L_2 = \frac{3}{4} = \tan \kappa_2 L_1$$

(from previous 1550 nm). So  $\kappa_1 L_2 = \kappa_2 L_1$

$$\text{At 1550 nm: } \frac{P''''_T}{P''''_C} = \frac{\cos^2 \kappa_2 L_2}{\sin^2 \kappa_2 L_2} = \cot^2 \kappa_2 L_2 = ? \text{ Now, } \cot \kappa_2 L_2 = \cot \left( \frac{\kappa_1 L_2 \times \kappa_2 L_1}{\kappa_1 L_1} \right)$$

Required Splitting Ratio:

$$\cot^2 \kappa_2 L_2 = \cot^2 \left( \frac{\kappa_1 L_2 \times \kappa_2 L_1}{\kappa_1 L_1} \right) = \cot^2 \left\{ \frac{(\kappa_2 L_1)^2}{\kappa_1 L_1} \right\} = \cot^2 \left\{ \frac{(0.6435)^2}{0.92729} \right\} = (2.1)^2 = 4.41 = \frac{45}{10} = 9:2$$

(20) The measured transmission spectrum of an FBG having grating length  $L = 4.8 \text{ mm}$  shows the peak reflectivity of  $R = 0.93$  at the corresponding Bragg wavelength  $\lambda_B = 1532.1 \text{ nm}$ . Calculate the required effective index modulation  $\Delta n_{eff}$ . If the core-overlap integral  $I = 0.7$ , then estimate the actual index modulation  $\Delta n$ . If the effective mode index of this  $LP_{01}$  mode is  $n_{eff} = 1.4517$ , then calculate the bandwidth of the reflected spectrum.  
{ Ans.  $\Delta n_{eff} \approx 2 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\Delta n \approx 2.6 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\Delta \lambda \approx 0.4 \text{ nm}$  }

**Solution:**

An FBG of length  $L = 4.8 \text{ mm}$  shows the measured transmission spectra as

Peak reflectivity  $R = 0.93$  at the wavelength  $\lambda_B = 1532.1 \text{ nm}$

We need to calculate the required effective index modulation  $\Delta n_{eff}$

Now,  $R = \tanh^2 \kappa L$  or  $\tanh \kappa L = \sqrt{R}$

$$\tanh \kappa L = \frac{\sinh \kappa L}{\cosh \kappa L} = \frac{e^{\kappa L} - e^{-\kappa L}}{e^{\kappa L} + e^{-\kappa L}}.$$

by componendo – dividendo one obtains  $\frac{1 + \tanh \kappa L}{1 - \tanh \kappa L} = e^{2\kappa L}$

$$\text{Therefore } \kappa = \frac{1}{2L} \ln \frac{1 + \tanh \kappa L}{1 - \tanh \kappa L}$$

$$\text{So } \kappa = \frac{1}{2 \times 4.8} \ln \frac{1 + \sqrt{0.93}}{1 - \sqrt{0.93}} = \frac{1}{9.6} \ln(55.1247) = \frac{1}{9.6} \times 4.0 = 0.4167 \text{ mm}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \kappa L \approx 0.4167 \times 4.8 \approx 2$$

One can calculate  $\Delta n_{eff}$  by using the approximate formula  $\kappa \approx \frac{\pi \Delta n_{eff}}{\lambda_B}$

$$\Delta n_{eff} = \frac{\kappa \lambda_B}{\pi} = \frac{0.4167 \times 1532.1}{3.14159} \approx 2.0 \times 10^{-4}$$

Now  $\Delta n_{eff} = \Delta n I$  and  $I$  is the overlap integral factor

$$\text{therefore } \Delta n = \frac{\Delta n_{eff}}{I} = \frac{2.0 \times 10^{-4}}{0.7} \approx 2.6 \times 10^{-4}$$

To calculate the bandwidth of reflected spectrum, we'll use

$$\Delta \lambda = \frac{\lambda_B^2}{\pi n_{eff} L} \sqrt{\kappa^2 L^2 + \pi^2} = \frac{(1532.1)^2}{3.14159 \times 1.4571 \times 4.8} \times \sqrt{2^2 + 9.8696} \approx 0.4 \text{ nm}$$

(24) Assuming a sinusoidal RI modulation that is uniform with the core of the fiber,  $I$  corresponds to the fractional power in the core of the fiber and is approximately given by  $I \approx 1 - \exp \left[ -2 \left( \frac{a}{\omega_0} \right)^2 \right]$ . Consider a fiber with  $a = 5 \mu\text{m}$  and  $NA = 0.09$  operated at  $\lambda = 1.3 \mu\text{m}$ . Using the empirical relation  $\frac{\omega}{a} \approx \left( 0.65 + \frac{1.619}{V^3} + \frac{2.879}{V^6} \right)$ , estimate the overlap integral  $I$ .  
{Ans.  $\frac{\omega}{a} \approx 1.182$ ,  $I \approx 0.76$ }

**Solution:**

Given that overlap integral:  $I \approx 1 - \exp \left[ -2 \left( \frac{a}{\omega_0} \right)^2 \right]$  and the fiber parameters as  $a = 5 \mu\text{m}$  and  $NA = 0.09$  operated at  $\lambda = 1.3 \mu\text{m}$ .

$$\text{Now } V = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \cdot a \cdot \sqrt{n_1^2 - n_2^2} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \cdot a \cdot NA = \frac{6.2832}{1.3} \times 5 \times 0.09 = 2.1749$$

$$\text{Using approximate relation } \frac{\omega}{a} \approx 0.65 + \frac{1.619}{V^3} + \frac{2.879}{V^6},$$

$$\text{we obtain } \frac{\omega}{a} \approx 1.182$$

And therefore  $I = 1 - e^{-2(1.182)^2} \approx 0.76$

(34) Calculate the broadening of a narrow pulse (in ns) at the output of a 1 km long step-index multimode fiber having  $n_1 = 1.5$  and  $\Delta = 0.01$ . What will be broadening of that pulse when it travels through 1 km in a multimode parabolic index profile fiber having  $n_1 = 1.45$  and  $\Delta = 0.01$ ?

**Solution:**

For a 1 km long step-index multimode fiber having  $n_1 = 1.5$  and  $\Delta = 0.01$ , the pulse broadening will be:  $\Delta\tau = \frac{n_1 L}{c} \Delta = \frac{1.5 \times 1000 \times 0.01}{3 \times 10^8} = 50 \text{ ns}$ .

For a 1 km long, multimode parabolic index profile fiber having  $n_1 = 1.45$  and  $\Delta = 0.01$ , the pulse broadening will be:  $\Delta\tau = \frac{n_2 L}{2c} \Delta^2 = \frac{1.45 \times 1000 \times (0.01)^2}{2 \times 3 \times 10^8} = 0.25 \text{ ns}$ .