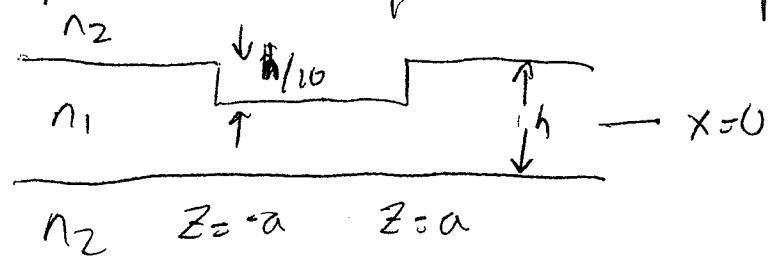


Coupled mode theory - intermode coupling



launch one mode, couple to another

$$E_a = \frac{A}{2} E_a(x) e^{-j(\beta_a z - \omega t)} + c.c.$$

$$E_b = \frac{B}{2} E_b(x) e^{-j(\beta_b z - \omega t)} + c.c.$$

for $z < -a$, all power in E_a

$$-\frac{\partial B^+}{\partial z} e^{-j(\beta_b z - \omega t)} + \frac{\partial B^-}{\partial z} e^{j(\beta_b z + \omega t)} + c.c. = -\frac{j}{2\omega} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \int P_{pert} E_b dx$$

$$P_{pert} = \epsilon_0 (\epsilon_2 - \epsilon_1) E_a$$

$$= jKA^+ e^{-j(\beta_a z - \omega t)}$$

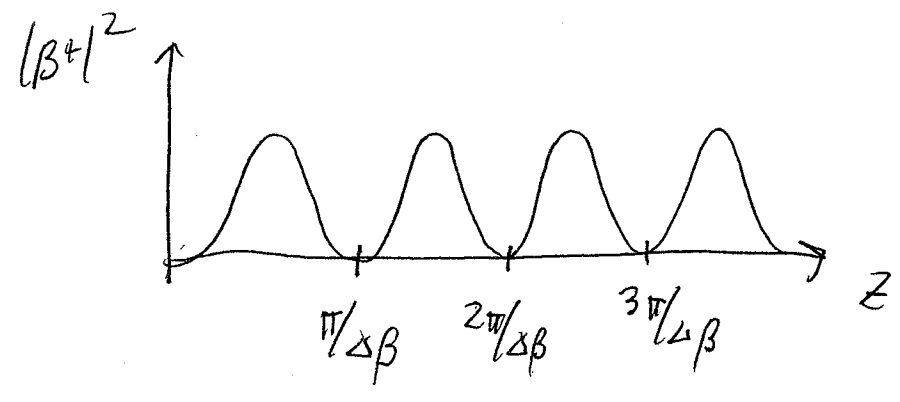
$$-\frac{\partial B^+}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial B^-}{\partial z} e^{2j\beta_b z} = jKA^+ e^{-j(\beta_a - \beta_b)z}$$

ignore due to fast oscillation

$$B^+(a) = -jKA^+ \int_{-a}^a e^{-j(\beta_a - \beta_b)z} dz$$

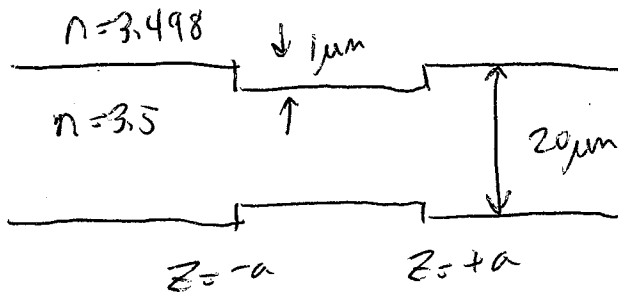
$$= \frac{-2jKA^+}{\beta_a - \beta_b} \sin[(\beta_a - \beta_b)a]$$

$$K = \frac{\omega \epsilon_0 (\epsilon_2 - \epsilon_1)}{4} \int E_a E_b dx$$



example 10.1

Symmetric notch
coupling between
fundamental TE
mode and other TE modes



$\lambda = 1.3 \mu\text{m}$

step 1 determine modes

$\tan(Kh/2) = \gamma/K$ (even) or $-K/\gamma$ (odd)

$$E_y = \begin{cases} C e^{-\gamma(x-h/2)} & x > h/2 \\ C \frac{\cos(Kx)}{\cos(Kh/2)} \text{ or } C \frac{\sin(Kx)}{\sin(Kh/2)} & |x| \leq h/2 \\ \pm C e^{\gamma(x+h/2)} & x < -h/2 \end{cases}$$

use C to normalize power (to 1 W/cm)

$$\int E_n E_m dx = \frac{2W\mu}{\beta_n} \delta_{nm}$$

see Table 10.1 and Fig. 10.7

$A_0^+(z) \approx 1$

step 2 perturbation (field of TE₀₀ mode in notch)

$$P_{\text{pert}} = \epsilon_0 (\epsilon_2^2 - \epsilon_1^2) C \frac{\cos(K_0 x)}{\cos(K_0 h/2)} \left[\frac{A_0^+}{2} e^{-j(\beta_0 z - \omega t)} + \text{cc} \right]$$

$$= -2.647 \times 10^{-13} \cos(1335.12x) \left[\frac{A_0^+}{2} e^{-j(\beta_0 z - \omega t)} + \text{cc} \right]$$

$$K_{0j} = \frac{\omega}{2} \left[\int_{-0.5h}^{0.5h} -2.647 \times 10^{-13} \cos(1335.12x) E_i dx \right. \\ \left. + \int_{-0.5h}^{0.5h} -2.647 \times 10^{-13} \cos(1335.12x) E_i dx \right]$$

by symmetry, TE₁ and TE₃ will not couple with TE₀ via a symmetric perturbation, only mode that will couple is TE₂:

$$K_{02} = \omega \int_{-4.5h}^{4.5h} -2.047 \times 10^{-13} \cos(1335.812x) 287.7 \frac{\cos(3949.8x) dx}{\cos(3949.8h/h)}$$

$$= -3912 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

step 3 solve coupled mode eqn.

$$\underbrace{\frac{dA_2^-}{dz} e^{2j\beta_2 z}}_{\approx 0} - \frac{dA_2^+}{dz} + \alpha = jK_{02} A_0^+ e^{-j(\beta_0 - \beta_2)z}$$

$$A_2^+(a) = [2jK_{02}(\beta_0 - \beta_2)] A_0^+ \sin(\beta_0 - \beta_2)a$$

$$= j(1.83/40) A_0^+ \sin(\beta_0 - \beta_2)a$$

$\beta_0 \neq \beta_2 \Rightarrow$ weak coupling see Fig. 10.8

more general case reciprocity

$$\frac{dA}{dz} = jK_{ab} B e^{-j(\beta_a - \beta_b)z}$$

$$\frac{dB}{dz} = jK_{ba}^* A e^{j(\beta_a - \beta_b)z}$$

and $\frac{d}{dz} (|A|^2 + |B|^2) = 0$ conservation of power

Table 10.1. Propagation coefficients for the four allowed modes.

Mode Designation	κ	β	Normalization Amplitude
TE ₀	1335.12 cm ⁻¹	169157 cm ⁻¹	99.7 V/cm
TE ₁	2658.1 cm ⁻¹	169142 cm ⁻¹	197.2 V/cm
TE ₂	3949.8 cm ⁻¹	169117 cm ⁻¹	287.7 V/cm
TE ₃	5158.45 cm ⁻¹	169084 cm ⁻¹	353.3 V/cm

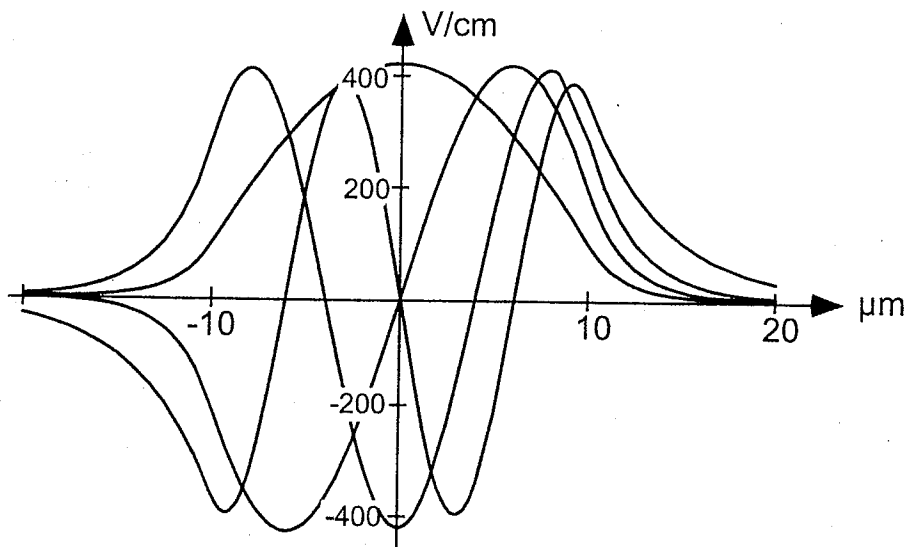


Figure 10.7. The four mode amplitudes are plotted on the same scale. The horizontal axis is in units of cm.

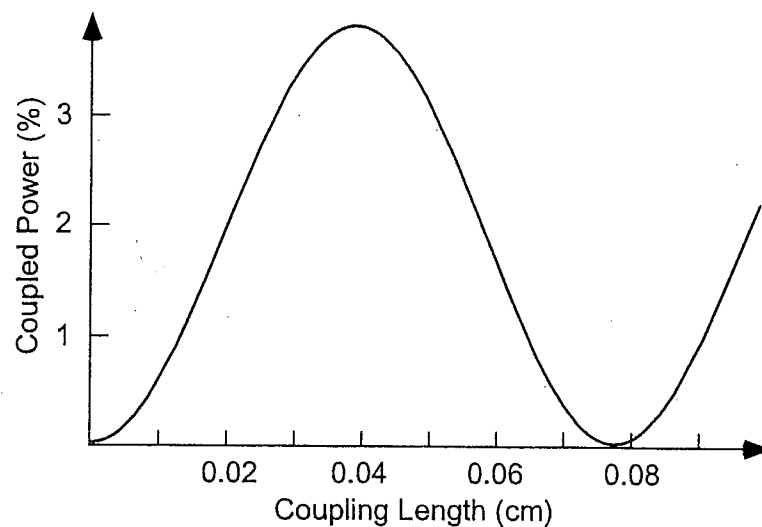


Figure 10.8. The power transfer from mode TE₀ to mode TE₂ as a function of the notch length in Fig.10.6. The coupling varies periodically with notch length.