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# Introduction to Surface Acoustic Wave (SAW) Devices

**Part 5: Coupling of Modes Theory** 

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• Colinear Coupling

## **Coupling-Of-Modes (COM)** Theory



### Loss-Less Condition (Unitary Condition)



 $\frac{\partial X \to 0 \text{ gives}}{\partial u_1(X)|^2 + |u_2(X)|^2} = u_1^* \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial X} + u_1 \left(\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial X}\right)^* + u_2^* \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial X} + u_2 \left(\frac{\partial u_2}{\partial X}\right)^* = 0$ 

Substitution of COM Equations Gives  $2 \operatorname{Im}[\beta_{u}] \left( \left| u_{1} \right|^{2} + \left| u_{2} \right|^{2} \right) + \operatorname{Im}[(\kappa - \kappa'^{*})u_{1}^{*}u_{2}] = 0$ 

To Satisfy for Arbitrary  $u_1$ ,  $u_2 \& X$ ,  $Im[\beta_u]=0 \& \kappa'=\kappa^*$ 

#### **Final COM Equations**

$$\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial X} = -j\beta_u u_1 - j\kappa u_2$$
$$\frac{\partial u_2}{\partial X} = -j\beta_u u_2 - j\kappa^* u_1$$

When Two Waveguides are Exchangable,  $\kappa$  is Real

### **General Solution**

$$u_{1} = A_{+} \exp(-j\beta_{+}X) + A_{-} \exp(-j\beta_{-}X)$$
  
$$u_{2} = rA_{+} \exp(-j\beta_{+}X) - rA_{-} \exp(-j\beta_{-}X)$$

Where  $\beta_{\pm} = \beta_{u} \pm |\kappa| = r = |\kappa| / \kappa$ 

When  $\kappa$  is Real, Two Partial Waves Correspond to



## Application of Boundary Condition



**Boundary Condition** 

 $u_1(0) = A_i \& u_2(0) = 0$ 

$$\Rightarrow A_{+}=A_{-}=A_{i}/2$$



## Multi-Strip-Coupler (MSC)



Velocity Difference in Short- & Open-Circuited Gratings



Transversal Filter Using MSC

#### When two waveguides are not equivalent

$$\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial X} = -j(\beta_u + \delta)u_1 - j\kappa u_2$$
  

$$\frac{\partial u_2}{\partial X} = -j\kappa u_1 - j\beta_u u_2$$
  
 $\kappa: \text{ real value}$ 

**General Solution** 

$$u_{1} = A_{+} \exp(-j\beta_{+}X) + A_{-} \exp(-j\beta_{-}X)$$
$$u_{2} = r_{+}A_{+} \exp(-j\beta_{+}X) + r_{-}A_{-} \exp(-j\beta_{-}X)$$

where 
$$\beta_{\pm} = \beta_u + \delta / 2 \pm \Delta$$
  $r_{\pm} = (\delta / 2 \mp \Delta) / \kappa$   
$$\Delta = \sqrt{(\delta / 2)^2 + \kappa^2}$$



**Boundary Condition**  $u_1(0)=A_i, u_2(0)=0$ 

 $u_1 = A_i \exp\{-j(\beta_u + \delta/2)X\} \{\cos(\Delta X) - j(\delta/2\Delta)\sin(\Delta X)\}$  $u_2 = j(\kappa/\Delta)A_i \exp\{-j(\beta_u + \delta/2)X\} \sin(\Delta X)$ 

$$\Delta = \sqrt{\left(\delta / 2\right)^2 + \kappa^2}$$





Influence of Coupling Obvious Only When  $\delta$  is Small Split Width  $\infty$  Coupling Strength

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• Reflective Coupling



Due to Periodicity, Eigen Modes in Infinite Periodic Gratings Satisfy

$$u_{\pm}(X+p) = u_{\pm}(X) \exp(\mp j\beta_0 p)$$

Where  $\beta_0$  is Wavenumber of Grating Mode

Define 
$$u_{\pm}(X) = U_{\pm}(X) \exp(\mp j\beta_0 X)$$

Then We Obtain

 $U_{\pm}(X+p) = U_{\pm}(X)$  : Periodic Function

Since 
$$U_{\pm}(X)$$
 is Periodic Function  
 $U_{\pm}(X) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} A_{\pm}^{(n)} \exp(\mp nj\beta_G X)$ 

Where  $\beta_G = 2\pi/p$ : Grating Vector  $A_{\pm}^{(n)}$ : Amplitude of *n*-th Partial Wave

$$u_{\pm}(X) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} A_{\pm}^{(n)} \exp(\mp j\beta_n X)$$

Where  $\beta_n = \beta_0 + n\beta_G$ 

Incident Wave with  $\beta$  is Spatially Modulated, and Components with  $\beta$ + $n\beta_G$  are Generated.

## **SAW Dispersion in Periodic Structures**



**Bragg Reflection** 

### **2D Expression of Bragg Reflection**



### Lateral Propagation with Bragg Reflection



#### When Two SAWs Coupled through Bragg Reflection



## **COM Analysis for Periodic Structures**

*Eigen Mode Equations* [General Solution:  $u_{\pm} \propto \exp(\mp j\beta_u X)$  ]

$$\frac{\partial u_{+}}{\partial X} = -j\beta_{u}u_{+} - j\kappa_{12}u_{-}\exp(-j\beta_{G}X)$$
$$\frac{\partial u_{-}}{\partial X} = +j\beta_{u}u_{-} + j\kappa_{12}^{*}u_{+}\exp(+j\beta_{G}X)$$

**COM Equations for Forward & Backward Waves** 

- $\beta_{u}$ : Wavenumber of Uncoupled Wave
- $\beta_{\rm G}$ : Grating Vector (2 $\pi/p$ ), p: Periodicity
- $\kappa_{12}$ : Mutual Coupling Coefficient = Reflectivity per Unit Length

For Derivation, Loss Less Condition was Applied

Define  $U_{\pm}(X) = u_{\pm}(X) \exp(\pm j\beta_G X/2)$ .

Since 
$$u_{\pm}(X) = U_{\pm}(X) \exp(\frac{-j\beta_G X/2}{A}),$$
  
 $\frac{\partial U_{\pm}}{\partial X} = -j\theta_u U_{\pm} - j\kappa_{12} U_{\pm}$   
 $\frac{\partial U_{\pm}}{\partial X} = +j\kappa_{12}^* U_{\pm} + j\theta_u U_{\pm}$   
where  $\theta_u = \beta_u - \beta_G/2$ : Detuning Factor  
 $(\theta_u = 0 \text{ corresponds to Bragg Condition})$ 

**Origin of Phase in**  $\kappa_{12}$ 

**Displacement of Reflection Center from Origin** 

$$d_r/p_I = \angle(\kappa_{12})/4\pi$$



#### **General Solution**

$$U_{+}(X) = A_{+} \exp(-j\theta_{p}X) + \Gamma_{-}A_{-} \exp(+j\theta_{p}X)$$
$$U_{-}(X) = \Gamma_{+}A_{+} \exp(-j\theta_{p}X) + A_{-} \exp(+j\theta_{p}X)$$

 $\beta_{\rm p} = \theta_{\rm p} + \pi/p$ : Wavenumber of *Perturbed* Wave  $\theta_{\rm p} = \sqrt{\theta_{\rm u}^2 - |\kappa_{12}|^2}$ 

 $\Gamma_{+} = (\theta_{p} - \theta_{u})/\kappa_{12} \& \Gamma_{-} = (\theta_{p} - \theta_{u})/\kappa_{12}^{*}$ : Reflection Coefficient of Semi-Infinite Grating Looking toward  $\pm X$  direction

 $\Rightarrow \kappa_{12}$  is Real When Grating is Symmetric

 $A_{\pm}$ : Amplitude of Partial Wave



### **Behavior Near Bragg Frequency**

$$\theta_{\rm p} = /\theta_{\rm u}^2 - |\kappa_{12}|^2$$



*|κ<sub>12</sub>| determines Both Stopband Width & Attenuation Constant* 





#### **Application of Boundary Condition**



 $U_{+}(X) = A_{+} \exp(-j\theta_{p}X) + \Gamma_{-}A_{-} \exp(+j\theta_{p}X)$  $U_{-}(X) = \Gamma_{+}A_{+} \exp(-j\theta_{p}X) + A_{-} \exp(+j\theta_{p}X)$ 

Since  $U_{+}(0)=A_{\text{in}} \& U_{-}(L)=0$ ,

$$\Gamma = \frac{A_r}{A_{in}} = \frac{\Gamma_+ [1 - \exp(-2j\theta_p L)]}{1 - \Gamma_+ \Gamma_- \exp(-2j\theta_p L)}$$
$$T = \frac{A_t}{A_{in}} = \frac{\exp(-j\theta_p L)(1 - \Gamma_+ \Gamma_-)}{1 - \Gamma_+ \Gamma_- \exp(-2j\theta_p L)}$$









• IDT Modeling

## **COM Equation for SAW Devices**



$$\frac{\partial u_{-}}{\partial X} = +j\kappa_{12}^{*}u_{+}\exp(+j\beta_{G}X) + j\beta_{u}u_{-} - j\zeta^{*}V_{0}\exp(+j\beta_{G}X/2)$$

Spatial Components with  $\pm \beta_G/2(=\pm 2\pi/p_I)$  are Considered

## **Equation for Current on Bus-Bar**



C: Static Capacitance per Unit Length
χ=2 for RMS *I*,*V* & *u*χ=4 for peak *I*,*V* & RMS *u*

 $\frac{\partial I}{\partial X} = -j\chi\zeta^* u_+ \exp(+j\beta_G X/2) - j\chi\zeta u_- \exp(-j\beta_G X/2) + j\omega CV_0$ 

Spatial Components with  $\pm \beta_G/2(=\pm 2\pi/p_I)$  are Considered

For Derivation, Loss Less Condition & Bidirectionality (When Mechanical Reflection is Zero) are Applied

### **Final COM Equations**

$$\frac{\partial u_{+}}{\partial X} = -j\theta_{u}u_{+} - j\kappa_{12}u_{-}\exp(-j\beta_{G}X) + j\zeta V_{0}\exp(-j\beta_{G}X/2)$$

$$\frac{\partial u_{-}}{\partial X} = j\kappa_{12}^{*}u_{+}\exp(+j\beta_{G}X) + j\theta_{u}u_{-} - j\zeta^{*}V_{0}\exp(+j\beta_{G}X/2)$$

 $\frac{\partial I}{\partial X} = -j\chi\zeta^* u_+ \exp(+j\beta_G X/2) - j\chi\zeta u_- \exp(-j\beta_G X/2) + j\omega CV_0$ 

Define  $U_{\pm}(X) = u_{\pm}(X) \exp(\pm j\beta_G X/2)$ . Then Since  $u_{\pm}(X) = U_{\pm}(X) \exp(\pm j\beta_G X/2)$ ,

$$\frac{\partial U_{+}}{\partial X} = -j\theta_{u}U_{+} - j\kappa_{12}U_{-} + j\zeta V_{0}$$
$$\frac{\partial U_{-}}{\partial X} = +j\kappa_{12}^{*}U_{+} + j\theta_{u}U_{-} - j\zeta^{*}V_{0}$$
$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial X} = -j\chi\zeta^{*}U_{+} - j\chi\zeta U_{-} + j\omega CV_{0}$$

#### **General Solution**

 $U_{+}(X) = A_{+} \exp(-j\theta_{p}X) + \Gamma_{-}A_{-} \exp(+j\theta_{p}X) + \xi_{+}V_{0}$  $U_{-}(X) = \Gamma_{+}A_{+} \exp(-j\theta_{p}X) + A_{-} \exp(+j\theta_{p}X) + \xi_{-}V_{0}$ Where  $\xi_{+} = (\zeta\theta_{u} - \zeta^{*}\kappa_{12})/\theta_{p}^{2} \& \xi_{-} = (\zeta^{*}\theta_{u} - \zeta\kappa_{12})/\theta_{p}^{2}$ : Excitation Efficiency toward  $\pm X$  Direction

**Origin of Phase in**  $\zeta$ 

**Displacement of Excitation Center from Origin** 

 $d_t/p_I = \angle(\zeta)/2\pi$ 



### Short Circuited (SC) Grating

Since 
$$V_0 = 0$$
,  

$$\frac{\partial U_+}{\partial X} = -j\theta_u U_+ - j\kappa_{12} U_-$$

$$\frac{\partial U_-}{\partial X} = +j\kappa_{12}^* U_+ + j\theta_u U_-$$

$$\theta_p = \sqrt{\theta_u^2 - |\kappa_{12}|^2}$$

## **Open Circuited (OC) Grating**

Since  $\delta I=0$ , where  $\frac{\partial U_{+}}{\partial X} = -j\hat{\theta}_{u}U_{+} - j\hat{\kappa}_{12}U_{-}$   $\frac{\partial U_{-}}{\partial X} = +j\hat{\kappa}_{12}^{*}U_{+} + j\hat{\theta}_{u}U_{-}$   $\hat{\theta}_{u} = \theta_{u} - \chi |\zeta|^{2} / \omega C$   $\hat{\kappa}_{12} = \kappa_{12} - \chi \zeta^{-2} / \omega C$   $\hat{\theta}_{p} = \sqrt{\hat{\theta}_{u}^{2} - |\hat{\kappa}_{12}|^{2}}$






• IDT Properties

## SAW Excitation by IDT (When $\zeta$ and $\kappa_{12}$ are Real)



 $\Gamma_{\pm} = (\theta_{p} - \theta_{u}) / \kappa_{12} \equiv \Gamma_{0}$  $\xi_{\pm} = \zeta / (\theta_{u} + \kappa_{12}) \equiv \xi_{0}$ 

Boundary Conditions:  $U_{+}(-L/2)=0$ ,  $U_{-}(+L/2)=0$ , I(-L/2)=0

$$A_{+} = A_{-} = \frac{-\xi_{0}V_{0}}{\exp(+j\theta_{p}L/2) + \Gamma_{0}\exp(-j\theta_{p}L/2)}$$
$$Y = V_{0}^{-1} \int_{-L/2}^{+L/2} \frac{\partial I(X)}{\partial X} dX = \int_{-L/2}^{+L/2} [-j\chi\zeta V_{0}^{-1}(U_{+} + U_{-}) + j\omega C] dX$$

$$Y = \int_{-L/2}^{+L/2} [-2j\chi\zeta V_0^{-1}A_+(1+\Gamma_0)\cos(\theta_p X) - j(2\chi\xi_0\zeta - \omega C)]dX$$
  
=  $\frac{2j\chi\xi_0\zeta(1+\Gamma_0)L\sin(\theta_p L/2)}{\exp(+j\theta_p L/2) + \Gamma_0\exp(-j\theta_p L/2)} - j(2\chi\xi_0\zeta - \omega C)L$ 

When 
$$\kappa_{12}=0$$
,  $\theta_p=\theta_u$ ,  $\Gamma_0=0$  &  $\xi_0=\zeta/\theta_u$ . Then  

$$Y = \frac{2j\chi\zeta^2 L}{\theta_u} [\operatorname{sinc}(\theta_u L) - j\operatorname{sinc}(\theta_u L/2) \sin(\theta_u L/2) - 1] + j\omega CL$$

$$= \chi\zeta^2 L^2 \operatorname{sinc}^2(\theta_u L/2) + \frac{2j\chi\zeta^2 L}{\theta_u} [\operatorname{sinc}(\theta_u L) - 1] + j\omega CL$$

#### **Comparison : Delta Function Model Gives**

$$Y = \chi (\zeta p_I)^2 \frac{\sin^2(\theta_u L/2) + 2^{-1} j \sin(\theta_u L) - jL/p_I \sin(\theta_u p_I/2)}{\sin^2(\theta_u p_I/2)} + j\omega CL$$









### Input Admittance for Infinite IDT

Since 
$$\partial U_{\pm} / \partial X = 0 \& i = p_I \partial I / \partial X$$
,  
 $0 = -j \theta_u U_+ - j \kappa_{12} U_- + j \zeta V_0$   
 $0 = +j \kappa_{12}^* U_+ + j \theta_u U_- - j \zeta^* V_0$   
 $i = -j \chi \zeta^* p_I U_+ - j \chi \zeta p_I U_- + j \omega C p_I V_0$   
Then

$$\hat{Y} = \frac{i}{V_0} = -j\chi p_I \frac{2\theta_u |\zeta|^2 - \kappa_{12} \zeta^{*2} - \kappa_{12}^* \zeta^2}{\theta_u^2 - |\kappa_{12}|^2} + j\omega Cp_I$$
$$= j\omega Cp_I \frac{(\theta_u - \theta_{oc}^+)(\theta_u - \theta_{oc}^-)}{(\theta_u - \theta_{sc}^+)(\theta_u - \theta_{sc}^-)}$$

Where  $\theta_{oc}^{\pm} = \chi |\zeta|^2 / \omega C \pm |\kappa_{12} - \chi \zeta^2 / \omega C|, \theta_{sc}^{\pm} = \pm |\kappa_{12}|$ 

## **COM Parameter Determination by Input Admittance of Infinite IDT**



$$\hat{Y}(\omega) = j\omega C p_{\rm I} \frac{(\omega - \omega_{\rm oc}^{+})(\omega - \omega_{\rm oc}^{-})}{(\omega - \omega_{\rm sc}^{+})(\omega - \omega_{\rm sc}^{-})}$$











 $\mu = \angle (\kappa_{12}/\zeta^2)$ 





• SAW Device Simulation

# **Simulation of Complex Structures**



• Combination of Periodic Structures

# **Cascade-Connection of Elements**



#### SC Grating = Short-Circuited IDT OC Grating = IDT with Isolated Fingers Gap = Reflection-less, Excitation-less IDT

#### $IDT Modeling \implies Device Modeling$



Unitary Condition:

$$|P_{11}|^{2} + |P_{12}|^{2} = 1, |P_{22}|^{2} + |P_{12}|^{2} = 1$$

$$p_{11}p_{13}^{*} + p_{12}p_{23}^{*} + p_{13} = 0$$

$$p_{12}p_{13}^{*} + p_{22}p_{23}^{*} + p_{23} = 0$$

$$\frac{\chi}{2} \Big[ |P_{11}|^{2} + |P_{12}|^{2} \Big] = \Re(p_{33})$$

Use of COM Model Gives  

$$P_{11} = \frac{\Gamma_{-}(1-E^{2})}{1-\Gamma_{+}\Gamma_{-}E^{2}}, P_{22} = \frac{\Gamma_{+}(1-E^{2})}{1-\Gamma_{+}\Gamma_{-}E^{2}}, P_{12} = \frac{E(1-\Gamma_{+}\Gamma_{-})}{1-\Gamma_{+}\Gamma_{-}E^{2}}$$

$$P_{13} = \frac{(1-E)\{\xi_{-}(1+\Gamma_{+}\Gamma_{-}E) - \xi_{+}\Gamma_{+}(1+E)}{1-\Gamma_{+}\Gamma_{-}E^{2}}$$

$$P_{23} = \frac{(1-E)\{\xi_{+}(1+\Gamma_{+}\Gamma_{-}E) - \xi_{-}\Gamma_{-}(1+E)}{1-\Gamma_{+}\Gamma_{-}E^{2}}$$

$$P_{33} = \frac{\chi(1-E)\{(\xi_{+}-\Gamma_{-}\xi_{-}E)(\zeta^{*}+\Gamma_{+}\zeta) + (\xi_{-}-\Gamma_{+}\xi_{+}E)(\zeta+\Gamma_{-}\zeta^{*})\}}{1-\Gamma_{+}\Gamma_{-}E^{2}}$$

$$-j\chi L(\zeta^{*}\xi_{+}+\zeta\xi_{-}) + j\omega CL$$

where  $E = \exp(-j\theta_p L)$ 

## When the unit is symmetrical,

$$P_{11} = P_{22} = \frac{\Gamma_0 (1 - E^2)}{1 - \Gamma_0^2 E^2}, P_{12} = \frac{E(1 - \Gamma_0^2)}{1 - \Gamma_0^2 E^2}$$
$$P_{13} = P_{23} = \frac{\xi (1 - E)(1 - \Gamma_0 E)}{1 + \Gamma_0 E}$$
$$P_{33} = 2\chi\xi\zeta \left[\frac{(1 - E)(1 + \Gamma_0)}{\theta_p (1 + \Gamma_0 E)} - jL\right] + j\omega CL$$

#### Recursive Relation for Unit A (left) + B (right)

$$\begin{split} P_{11} &= P_{11}^{A} + P_{11}^{B} \frac{P_{21}^{A} P_{12}^{A}}{1 - P_{11}^{B} P_{22}^{A}}, \ P_{22} = P_{22}^{B} + P_{22}^{A} \frac{P_{12}^{B} P_{21}^{B}}{1 - P_{11}^{B} P_{22}^{A}}, \ P_{12} = \frac{P_{12}^{A} P_{12}^{B}}{1 - P_{11}^{B} P_{22}^{A}}, \\ P_{13} &= P_{13}^{A} + P_{12}^{B} \frac{P_{13}^{B} + P_{11}^{B} P_{23}^{A}}{1 - P_{11}^{B} P_{22}^{A}}, P_{23} = P_{23}^{B} + P_{21}^{B} \frac{P_{23}^{A} + P_{22}^{A} P_{13}^{B}}{1 - P_{11}^{B} P_{22}^{A}} \\ P_{33} &= P_{33}^{A} + P_{33}^{B} + P_{32}^{A} \frac{P_{13}^{B} + P_{11}^{B} P_{23}^{A}}{1 - P_{11}^{B} P_{22}^{A}} + P_{31}^{B} \frac{P_{23}^{A} + P_{22}^{A} P_{13}^{B}}{1 - P_{11}^{B} P_{22}^{A}} \end{split}$$

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• Parameter Extraction

## **Determination of COM Parameters**

$$\frac{\partial U_{+}}{\partial X} = -j\theta_{u}U_{+} - j\kappa_{12}U_{-} + j\zeta V_{0}$$
$$\frac{\partial U_{-}}{\partial X} = +j\kappa_{12}^{*}U_{+} + j\theta_{u}U_{-} - j\zeta^{*}V_{0}$$
$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial X} = -j\chi\zeta^{*}U_{+} - \chi j\zeta U_{-} + j\omega CV_{0}$$

 $\kappa_{12}$ : Mutual Coupling Coefficient (Mostly Constant)

- $\zeta$ : Transduction Coefficient (Mostly Constant)
- C: Capacitance (Mostly Constant)
- $\theta_{\rm u}$ : detuning factor (Linearly Changes with  $\omega$ )  $\Rightarrow \theta_{\rm u} = \omega / V_{\rm ref} - \pi / p + \kappa_{11}$ 
  - $V_{\rm ref}$ : Reference SAW Velocity
  - $\kappa_{11}$ : Self Coupling Coefficient



$$\kappa_{11} = \pi / p - \omega_r / V_{ref}$$

For Short-Circuited (SC) Grating,  $V_0 = 0$  $\theta_p = \sqrt{\theta_u^2 - |\kappa_{12}|^2}$ 

#### For Open-Circuited (OC) Grating, $\delta I=0$





## When IDT is Bidirectional, $\zeta^2/\kappa_{12}$ is Real



One of Stopband Edge for OC Grating Coincides with that for SC Grating

## **Relation Between Stopband Edges and COM Parameters**

$$\kappa_{11} = \frac{\pi}{p} - \frac{\omega_{sc}^{+} + \omega_{sc}^{-}}{2V_{ref}}$$

$$\kappa_{12} = s \frac{\omega_{sc}^{+} - \omega_{sc}^{-}}{2V_{ref}}$$

$$s = \begin{cases} 1 \qquad (\omega_{sc}^{+} = \omega_{oc}^{\pm}) \\ -1 \qquad (\omega_{sc}^{-} = \omega_{oc}^{-}) \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{\chi \zeta^{2}}{\omega C} = \frac{(\omega_{oc}^{+} + \omega_{oc}^{-}) - (\omega_{sc}^{+} + \omega_{sc}^{-})}{2V_{ref}}$$

*How to Determine* V<sub>ref</sub>?

1. Determination of  $|\kappa_{12}|$  by Max[-Im( $\theta_p$ )]

2. Determination of  $V_{ref}$  by Stopband Edges



## **FEMSDA (Full Wave Simulator)**



Boundary Condition: Minimization of Radiated Power (Error) from Boundary



Dispersion of Rayleigh SAW on YZ-LN (h/p=0.07) Calculated by *FEMSDA*  $V_{\rm B}=3,590.1$  m/s (Slow-shear SSBW velocity)

## Fitting with Full Wave Analysis



Phase Velocity:  $V_p = \omega/\text{Re}(\beta_p)$ Attenuation:  $\alpha_p = 40\pi \log_{10} e \times \text{Im}(-\beta_p) / \text{Re}(\beta_p) [dB/\lambda]$ 

## **Existence of Multiple Solutions**



*Possibility to Jump into Blue Branch Most Possible near Stopband Edges* 

Countermeasure: Attacking Upward and/or Downward

# Efficient Calculation by Combining FEMSDA and SYNC

#### Single-Electrode IDT

- 1. FEMSDA for determination of  $\beta$  for OC & SC
- 2. Fitting after Squared
- 3. SYNC for determination of C

Double-Electrode IDT

- 1. MSYNC for calculation of input impedance of infinitely long IDT
- 2. Determination of C & frequencies giving stopband edges by fitting
- 3. MULTI for determination of  $\beta$  for SC


Wavenumber of Rayleigh SAW on YZ-LN (h/p=0.07) Calculated by *FEMSDA* 

 $V_{\rm B}$ =3,590.1 m/s (Slow-shear SSBW velocity)



Squared Wavenumber of Rayleigh SAW on YZ-LN (h/p=0.07) Calculated by *FEMSDA*  $V_{\rm B}=3,590.1$  m/s (Slow-shear SSBW velocity)





(A)  $\zeta$  with same polarity for input and output IDTs



(B)  $\zeta$  with opposite polarity for input and output IDTs



Dispersion of Rayleigh SAW on 128-LN Blue: Analysis by *FEMSDA* Red: Conventional COM Analysis

 $V_{\rm B}$ =4,025 m/s (Slow-shear SSBW velocity)

#### **Dispersion Relation vs. Al Thickness**



#### Change in COM Parameters with Al Thickness



 $K_{u}^{2} = \frac{\pi \chi |\zeta|^{2} p_{I}}{4\omega C}$ : Electromechanical Coupling Factor for *Perturbed Mode* 

 $c=V_{\rm B}/V_{\rm ref}$  V<sub>B</sub>=4,025 m/s (Slow Shear SSBW)

## **Correction of Simulation Parameters**

- Uncertainties in Substrate Material Constants (Supplier and Lot Dependent)
- Uncertainties in Film Material Constants (Fab. Process Dependent)
- Electrode Cross-Section (Fab. Process Dependent)

Although their Absolute Values may be Doubtful, Dependencies on Device Parameters might be held



Effective Velocity of Rayleigh-type SAW on 128-LN vs. Metallization Ratio

Solid Lines: FEMSDA, +×: Experiment



Reflectivity of Rayleigh-type SAW on 128-LN vs. Metallization Ratio

Solid Lines: FEMSDA, +×: Experiment

### Behavior in Ultimate Situations



 $w/p \rightarrow 1$  is not Equivalent to Flat Metallization!

### **Relation of COM Parameters with Resonance Characteristics**



*Each Parameter Independently Relates Each Property* ⇒ *Easy to Fit with Experiments* 

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• BAWs and SH SAWs

### Excitation and Propagation of BAWs



Propagation of Cylindrical Wave  $(P \propto r^{1} \Rightarrow u \propto r^{0.5})$ 

#### Rapid Attenuation When Influence of Surface is Significant



L & SV Do not Satisfy Surface Boundary Condition

Non-Radiative Parallel to Surface?

**BAW Radiated to Surface Changes into SAW** 

## Coupling of SH & $\Phi$ Components



 $SH+\phi \Rightarrow SH-Type SAW$ 

Efficient SAW Radiation ⇔ Suppression of SSBW Radiation

# SSBW: Surface Skimming Bulk Wave BAW Propagating on Surface



Excitation and Propagation: Very Sensitive to Surface Condition

Characterized by Velocity Difference Between SAW and BAW

### Frequency Response of BAW Radiation



#### •Cutoff Nature

•Radiation Peak just above the Cutoff Freq.



 $F(\theta)$ :  $\theta$  Dependence of BAW Radiation



Cutoff for BAW Back-Scattering ≈ SAW Resonance Frequency

#### SAW Bragg Reflection to Bulk Waves





When 
$$S_{\rm S} > S_{\rm B}$$
  
Cutoff Freq.  $f_{\rm BC}$  for BAW Back-Scattering  
 $f_{\rm Bc} = \frac{n}{(S_{\rm S} + S_{\rm B})p} > \frac{n}{2S_{\rm S}p}$   
SAW Bragg Freq.  
BAW Bean Scan with  $f$   
 $\cos \theta_{\rm B} = \frac{f_{\rm Bc}}{f} (S_{\rm S}S_{\rm B}^{-1} + 1) - S_{\rm S}S_{\rm B}^{-1}$ 

At Frequency Below  $f_{Bc}$ 



Evanescent Field via Non-Radiated BAW

Energy Storage (SAW Velocity Reduction) Effect



Dispersion in phase velocity and attenuation of *SH-type SAW* on the SC grating ( $h/\lambda=0.1$ ) on 42-LT. Blue lines: calculated by FEMSDA

SAW Wavenumber Derived by Conventional COM Theory

$$\beta_s = \pi / p + \sqrt{\theta_u^2 - \kappa^2}$$

where θ<sub>u</sub> is detuning factor
 (linearly dependent on frequency)
 κ: mutual coupling factor (const.)
 p: grating period



Dispersion in phase velocity and attenuation of *Rayleigh-type SAW* on gratings on 128-LN. Blue lines: calculated by FEMSDA, and red lines: calculated by conventional COM.



Dispersion in phase velocity & attenuation of *SH-type SAW* on SC grating on 42-LT. Blue lines: calculated by FEMSDA, and red lines: calculated by conventional COM.



Origin of dispersion near stopband

• Dispersion Relation

$$\beta_s = \pi / p + \sqrt{\Delta^2 - (\varepsilon_s^2 / 2 + \eta_s \sqrt{\Delta_{Bs} - \Delta})^2}$$

where  $\Delta = c(\omega / V_B - \pi / p)$  : normalised frequency  $\Delta_{Bs} = \varepsilon_s^2 / 2 - \eta_s^2 / 4$  : normalised BAWcutoff frequency

 $\varepsilon_s$ ,  $\eta_s$ , c: parameters for SC grating (constant)



Phase velocity of *SH-type SAW* for grating structure on 42-LT.

Blue lines: calculated by FEMSDA, and red lines: calculated by Plessky's model.



Attenuation of *SH-type SAW* for grating structure on 42-LT.

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#### What will Happen When Periodicity Breaks?



BAW Radiation + Additional Phase Shift (Frequency Dependent)