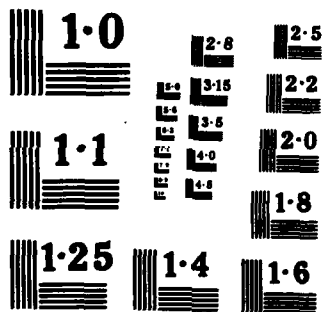


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## L. INTRODUCTION

Coplanar-type transmission lines have become quite attractive from the point of view of applications in microwave and millimeter-wave integrated circuits. The symmetrical coplanar waveguide [1] - [6] (CPW) as well as other similar configurations [7], [8] have received considerable attention in the literature. Recently, the asymmetrical version of the coplanar waveguide has been introduced [9], [10] because of the additional flexibility offered by the asymmetric configuration in the design of integrated circuits. The application of coplanar-type transmission lines to directional couplers was proposed by C. P. Wen [11] to achieve better isolation characteristics. However, the analytical method for a coupled line section, that is useful for obtaining design information, was based on the zeroth-order approximation, which assumed an infinitely thick substrate [11].

This paper derives the variational expressions for the line capacitances of the asymmetrical and coupled coplanar-type transmission lines. These expressions are quite general and are applicable to a wide class of coplanar-type transmission lines, geometries including those containing an anisotropic media. These expressions are employed in conjunction with an accurate and efficient numerical method based on the Ritz procedure. Numerical results are shown for the line characteristics of asymmetrical and coupled coplanar-type transmission lines with anisotropic media are presented and compared with the exact analytical solutions for the special case of air as the substrate material. The comparison is found to be quite favorable.

## II. VARIATIONAL EXPRESSIONS FOR THE LINE CAPACITANCES

In this section the formulation procedure will be outlined for the general structures of asymmetrical coplanar-type (A-CTL, Fig. 1(a)) and coupled coplanar-type transmission lines (C-CTL, Fig. 1 (b)), which include various coplanar-type transmission lines in Figure 2. The layered media in Figure 1 are uniaxially anisotropic and their permittivities are given by the following dyadic:

$$\hat{\epsilon}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_{ixx} & \epsilon_{ixy} \\ \epsilon_{ixy} & \epsilon_{iyy} \end{bmatrix} \epsilon_0 \quad i = 1, 2, 3 \quad (1)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{ixx} &= \epsilon_{i||} \cos^2 \gamma_i + \epsilon_{i\perp} \sin^2 \gamma_i \\ \epsilon_{iyy} &= \epsilon_{i||} \sin^2 \gamma_i + \epsilon_{i\perp} \cos^2 \gamma_i \\ \epsilon_{ixy} &= (\epsilon_{i||} - \epsilon_{i\perp}) \sin \gamma_i \cos \gamma_i \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

$\gamma_i$  is the angle of the optical axis from the x-axis, and  $\epsilon_{i||}$  and  $\epsilon_{i\perp}$  are the relative permittivities longitudinal and transverse to the optical axis, respectively.

### A. Variational Expression for the Line Capacitance of Asymmetrical Coplanar-Type Transmission Lines (A-CTL)

From a solution to the Laplace's equation, the charge distribution on the conductors at  $y = 0$  can be expressed in terms of the aperture field  $e_x(x)$  at  $y = 0$  as

$$\sigma(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P_A(\alpha, x | x') e_x(x') dx' d\alpha \quad (3)$$

where

$$P_A(\alpha, x | x') = -j \alpha F_A(\alpha) e^{j \alpha (x - x')} \quad (4)$$

with

$$F_A(\alpha) = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2\pi} \left[ Y_s(\alpha) + Y_L(\alpha) \right] \frac{1}{|\alpha|} \quad (5)$$

and

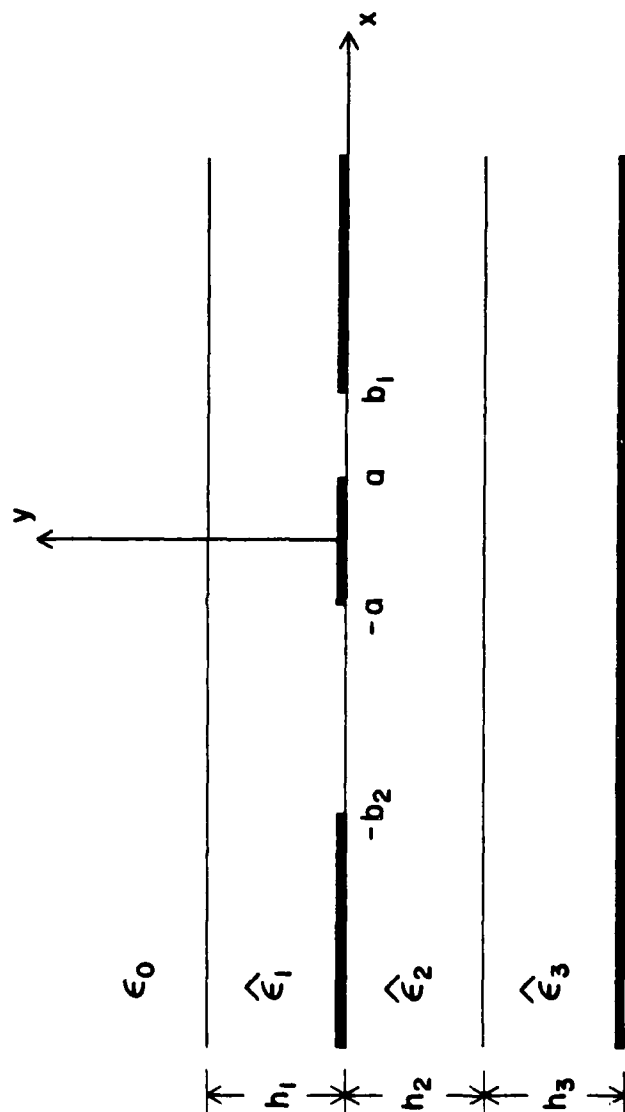


Figure 1a. General structure of asymmetrical coplanar-type transmission lines.

$$W_i = b_i - a \quad (i = 1, 2)$$

$$S_1 = \pm \frac{(a + b_1)/2}{2}$$

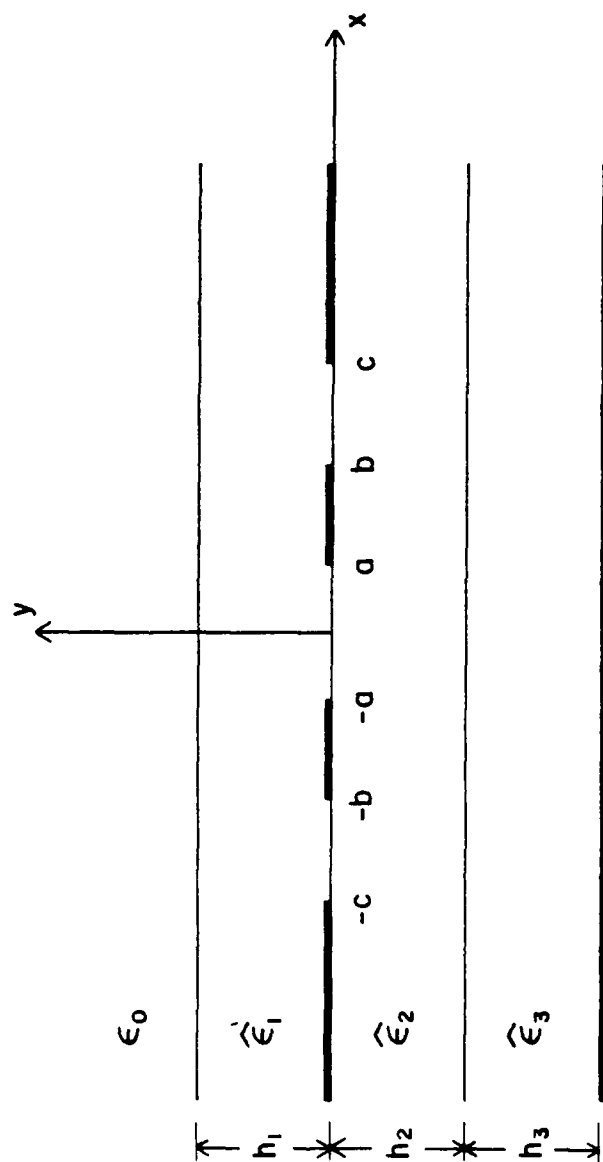


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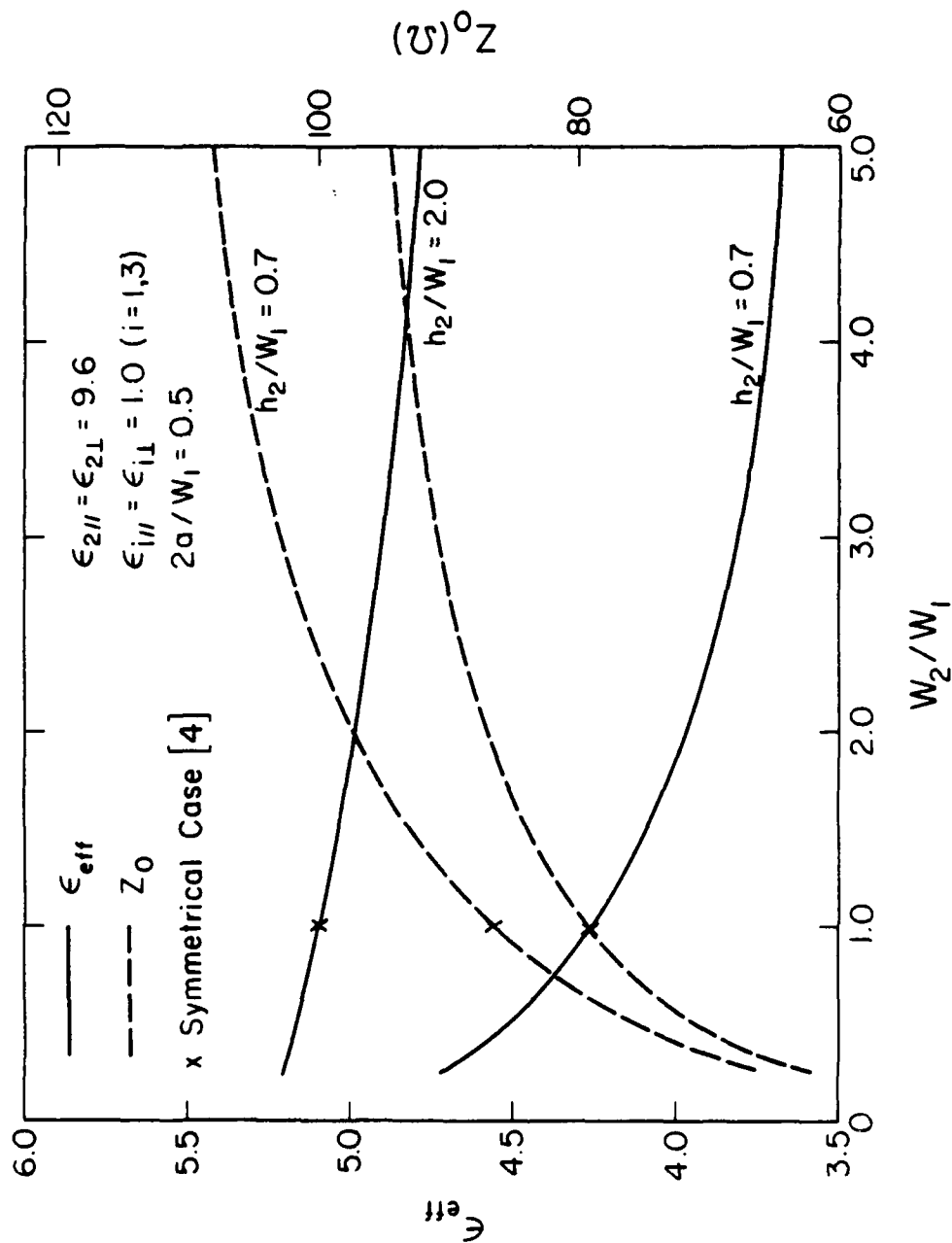


Figure 4. Asymmetrical coplanar waveguide on isotropic dielectric substrate.

TABLE 2

Normalized Line Capacitance  $C/\epsilon_0$  of Open Coupled  
Coplanar-type Transmission Lines

$$\epsilon_{i||} = \epsilon_{i\perp} = 1 \quad (i = 1, 2, 3), \quad h_3 \rightarrow \infty$$

Even Mode

$\frac{c-b}{b-a}$	$\frac{2a}{(b-a)}$	$N_1$		$N_2$	Conformal mapping
		1	2	3	
0.5	0.2	1.9469	1.9469	1.9469	1.9469
	1.0	2.0620	2.0619	2.0619	2.0619
2.0	0.2	1.3130	1.3128	1.3128	1.3128
	1.0	1.4043	1.4042	1.4041	1.4041

Odd Mode

$\frac{c-b}{b-a}$	$\frac{2a}{(b-a)}$	$N_1$		$N_2$	Conformal mapping
		2	3	3	
0.5	0.2	5.2218	5.2217	5.2217	5.2217
	1.0	3.6322	3.6322	3.6322	3.6322
2.0	0.2	4.9089	4.9012	4.9009	4.9009
	1.0	3.2537	3.2495	3.2493	3.2493



TABLE 1

Normalized Line Capacitance  $C/\epsilon_0$  of Asymmetrical  
Coplanar-type Transmission Line

$$\epsilon_{1||} = \epsilon_{1\perp} = 1 \quad (i = 1, 2, 3), \quad h_3 \rightarrow 0$$

$a/w_1$	$w_2/w_1$	$N_1$	1	2	3	Conformal mapping
		$N_2$	1	2	3	
0.25	1		2.199	2.107	2.105	2.105
	2		2.085	1.946	1.940	1.940
	4		2.085	1.858	1.838	1.836
1.50	1		3.520	3.510	3.510	3.510
	2		3.219	3.198	3.198	3.198
	4		3.005	2.956	2.956	2.956

where  $T_k(y)$  is Chebyshev's polynomial of the first kind and the suffix  $N(k)$  in (29) is given by

$$N(k) = 2k-1 \quad (\text{even mode})$$

$$= 2(k-1) \quad (\text{odd mode}).$$

The accuracy of the computation depends on the number of basis functions, i.e.,  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  in (27). Tables 1 and 2 show the preliminary numerical results of the normalized capacitance  $C/\epsilon_0$  of the A-CTL and open C-CTL for different values of  $N_1, N_2$ . Special cases with  $\epsilon_1 = \epsilon_2 = 1$  and  $h_3 \rightarrow \infty$  are considered in Tables 1 and 2, for which the exact analytical solutions can be obtained by conformal mapping [Appendix 1]. It should be noted that accurate results are obtained by using a small number of suitably chosen basis functions for a wide range of parameters. For instance, for the calculations presented herein,  $N_1 = N_2 = 2$  was used for A-CTL. For C-CTL,  $N_1 = 1, N_2 = 2$  for even modes and  $N_1 = N_2 = 2$  for odd modes have been employed.

Figures 4 and 5 present numerical examples for the asymmetrical coplanar waveguide in Fig. 2(a). Figure 4 shows the effective dielectric constant  $\epsilon_{eff}$  and the characteristic impedance  $Z_0$  as a function of the width ratio  $W_2/W_1$  for an asymmetrical coplanar waveguide with an isotropic dielectric substrate. The values for the symmetrical case ( $W_2/W_1 = 1$ ) [4] are included only to indicate the accuracy of the computation. The effective dielectric constant  $\epsilon_{eff}$  becomes smaller and the characteristic impedance  $Z_0$  becomes larger as the width ratio  $W_2/W_1$  increases.

Figure 5 shows the results for an asymmetrical coplanar waveguide on an anisotropic sapphire substrate. The effective dielectric constant and the characteristic impedance are shown as a function of the inclination of the optical axis  $\gamma_2$ .

In Figure 6, the even and odd mode characteristics of open C-CTL, shown in Figure 2(d), are compared with those based on the zeroth-order approximation as presented in Ref. 11. The error in the zeroth-order solution becomes larger for a thinner substrate because the substrate thickness is assumed to be infinite in this solution.

### III. NUMERICAL COMPUTATION AND RESULTS

Numerical computations have been carried out by applying the Ritz procedure applied to the variational expressions (10) and (21). In this procedure, the unknown aperture fields  $e_v(x)$  are expanded in terms of the appropriate basis functions as follows for asymmetrical coplanar-type (A-CTL) transmission lines the basis functions are:

$$e_v(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{N_1} A_k^{(1)} f_k^{(1)}(x) + \sum_{k=1}^{N_2} A_k^{(2)} f_k^{(2)}(x) \quad (27a)$$

and for the coupled coplanar-type transmission lines (C-CTL) the corresponding functions are given by

$$e_v(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{N_1} B_k^{(1)} g_k^{(1)}(x) + \sum_{k=1}^{N_2} B_k^{(2)} g_k^{(2)}(x) \quad (27b)$$

where  $A_k^{(i)}$  and  $B_k^{(i)}$  are variational parameters which are determined such that the best approximation is obtained under the conditions of (9) and (19). The following basis functions are adopted by taking the edge effect into consideration:

$$f_k^{(i)}(x) = \frac{T_{k-1} \left| \frac{2(x-S_i)}{W_i} \right|}{\sqrt{1 - \left| \frac{2(x-S_i)}{W_i} \right|^2}} \quad i = 1, 2 \quad (28)$$

$$S_1 = \pm(a + b_1)/2, \quad W_1 = b_1 - a$$

$$g_k^{(1)} = \frac{T_{N(k)} \left| \frac{x}{a} \right|}{\sqrt{1 - \left| \frac{x}{a} \right|^2}} \quad (29)$$

$$g_k^{(2)} = \frac{T_{k-1} \left| \frac{2(x-S)}{W} \right|}{\sqrt{1 - \left| \frac{2(x-S)}{W} \right|^2}} \quad (30)$$

$$W = c - b, \quad S = (b + c)/2$$

However, unlike the open waveguide problem, this method is not applicable to the shielded case filled with an anisotropic medium, whose optical axis is inclined, because the Green's functions for the latter case cannot be expressed in the form given in (25) [12].

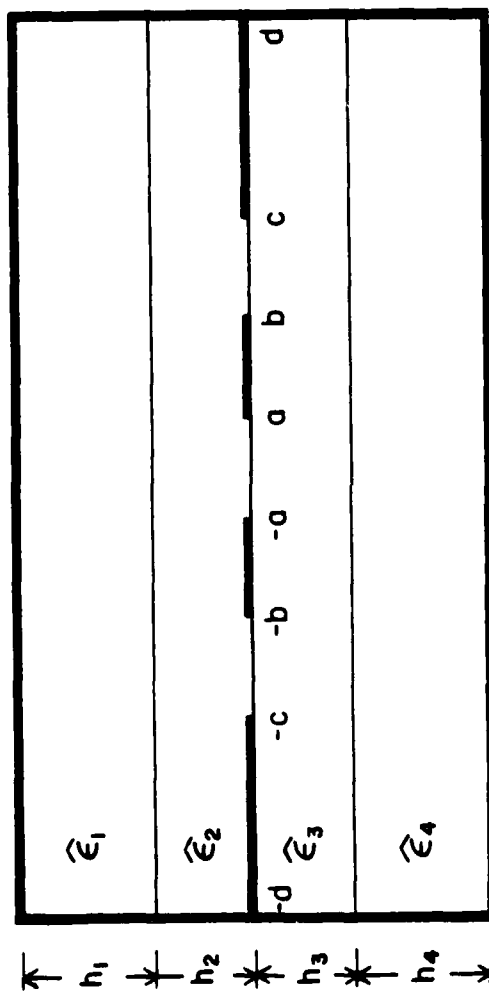


Figure 3. Shielded coupled coplanar-type transmission lines.

the anisotropic case to the equivalent isotropic case can be verified in the same manner as for the asymmetrical case.

The procedure described above can be applied to a shielded coupled coplanar-type transmission line (Figure 3) which is filled either with an isotropic or an anisotropic medium whose optical axis coincides with one of the coordinate axes. The line capacitances for the even and odd modes are given by

$$C = \frac{\sum_n \int_0^d \int_0^d e_x(x) G_n(x|x') e_x(x') dx' dx}{\left| \int_b^c e_x(x) dx \right|^2} \quad (24)$$

$= E, 0$

where

$$G_n^E(x|x') = F_n \sin(\alpha_n x) \sin(\alpha_n x') : \text{ Even mode} \quad (25)$$

$$G_n^O(x|x') = F_n \cos(\alpha_n x) \cos(\alpha_n x') : \text{ Odd mode}$$

with

$$F_n = \frac{\eta_n \epsilon_0}{d} (Y_{Un} + Y_{Ln}) \frac{1}{\alpha_n}$$

and

$$Y_{Un} = \frac{1 + \frac{\epsilon_{2e}}{\epsilon_{1e}} \tanh(K_1 h_1 \alpha_n) \tanh(K_2 h_2 \alpha_n)}{\frac{1}{\epsilon_{1e}} \tanh(K_1 h_1 \alpha_n) + \frac{1}{\epsilon_{2e}} \tanh(K_2 h_2 \alpha_n)} \quad (26)$$

$$Y_{Ln} = \frac{1 + \frac{\epsilon_{3e}}{\epsilon_{4e}} \tanh(K_3 h_3 \alpha_n) \tanh(K_4 h_4 \alpha_n)}{\frac{1}{\epsilon_{3e}} \tanh(K_3 h_3 \alpha_n) + \frac{1}{\epsilon_{4e}} \tanh(K_4 h_4 \alpha_n)}$$

$$\alpha_n = \frac{n\pi}{2d}, \quad \eta_n = \begin{cases} 1 & (n = 0) \\ 2 & (n \neq 0) \end{cases} n$$

$n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$  (Even mode)

$0, 2, 4, \dots$  (Odd mode)

$$Q_0 \int_b^c e_x(x_2) dx_2 = Q_0 V_0 \quad (18)$$

$$= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty F_C(\alpha) \left[ \int_b^c e_x(x_2) \cos(\alpha x_2) dx_2 - V_0 \cos(\alpha x_1) \right] \cos(\alpha x') e_x(x') dx' d\alpha$$

$$(0 < x_1 < a)$$

where  $V_0$  is the potential difference between the strip conductor  $a < x < b$  and the ground conductor  $c < x$ .  $V_0$  is given by

$$V_0 = \int_b^c e_x(x) dx = - \int_0^a e_x(x) dx \quad (19)$$

Subtracting (17) from (18) and utilizing (16), we obtain

$$Q_0 V_0 = \int_0^a \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty F_C(\alpha) \cos(\alpha x_1) \cos(\alpha x') e_x(x_1) e_x(x') dx' d\alpha dx_1 \\ + \int_b^c \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty F_C(\alpha) \cos(\alpha x_2) \cos(\alpha x') e_x(x_2) e_x(x') dx' d\alpha dx_2 \quad (20)$$

Therefore, the line capacitance of the odd mode can be expressed as follows:

$$C = \frac{Q_0}{V_0} \quad (21)$$

$$= \frac{\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty e_x(x) G^O(\alpha x | x') e_x(x') d\alpha dx' dx}{\left[ \int_b^c e_x(x) dx \right]^2}$$

where Green's function  $G^O(\alpha x | x')$  is given by

$$G^O(\alpha x | x') = F_C(\alpha) \cos(\alpha x) \cos(\alpha x') \quad (22)$$

For the even mode, a similar expression can be obtained by following the same procedure. The Green's function  $G^E$  for the even mode is given by

$$G^E(\alpha x | x') = F_C(\alpha) \sin(\alpha x) \sin(\alpha x') \quad (23)$$

Equation (21) is stationary and provides an upper bound to the line capacitance  $C$ . The transition from

$$P_C(\alpha; x | x') = -\alpha F_C(\alpha) \cos(\alpha x) \sin(\alpha x') \quad (13)$$

(for even mode)

$$= -\alpha F_C(\alpha) \sin(\alpha x) \cos(\alpha x')$$

(for odd mode)

with

$$F_C(\alpha) = \frac{2\epsilon_0}{\pi} \left\{ Y_L(\alpha) + Y_L(\alpha) \right\} \frac{1}{\alpha} \quad (14)$$

The symmetry of the geometry with respect to the plane  $x = 0$  has been utilized in writing (12). The odd mode is considered in what follows, and a perfect electric conductor plane may be placed at the  $x = 0$  plane in this case.

The total charge located between  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  is given by

$$Q(x_1, x_2) = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \sigma(x) dx \quad (15)$$

When  $x_1$  lies within the inner slot  $0 < x_1 < a$  and  $x_2$  lies within the outer slot  $b < x_2 < c$ , then  $Q(x_1, x_2)$  is equal to a constant  $Q_0$ , that is, the total charge on the strip  $a < x < b$ :

$$Q_0 = Q(x_1, x_2) \quad (16)$$

$$= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty F_C(\alpha) \left\{ \cos(\alpha x_2) - \cos(\alpha x_1) \right\} \cos(\alpha x') e_r(x') dx' d\alpha$$

$$0 < x_1 < a \quad \text{and} \quad b < x_2 < c$$

Multiplying (16) by  $e_r(x_1)$  and integrating over  $0 < x_1 < a$ , we obtain

$$Q_0 \int_0^a e_r(x_1) dx_1 = -Q_0 V_0 \quad (17)$$

$$= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty F_C(\alpha) \left\{ -V_0 \cos(\alpha x_2) - \int_0^a e_r(x_1) \cos(\alpha x_1) dx_1 \right\} \cos(\alpha x') e_r(x') dx' d\alpha$$

$$(b < x_2 < c)$$

Similarly we can obtain



$$V_o = \int_a^{b_1} e_x(x) dx = - \int_{-b_2}^{-a} e_x(x) dx \quad (9)$$

Substituting (3) into (8), subtracting (8b) from (8a), and rearranging the resulting expression, we obtain the line capacitance:

$$C = \frac{Q_o}{V_o} \quad (10)$$

$$= \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} e_x(x) G_A(\alpha x | x') e_x(x') d\alpha dx' dx}{\left[ \int_a^{b_1} e_x(x) dx \right]^2}$$

where the Green's function  $G_A$  is given by

$$G_A(\alpha x | x') = 2 F_A(\alpha) \cos \left\{ \alpha(x' - x) \right\} \quad (11)$$

As expected, Equation (10) reduces to (2) in [5] for the symmetrical coplanar waveguide. It can be verified that Equation (10) has the stationary property and the value of the capacitance derived from this expression will always be larger than the true value, that is, the upper bound. Also, Equations (10), (11) and (5) show the relationship between the anisotropic ( $\epsilon_{i1}$ ,  $\epsilon_{i11}$ ,  $h_i$ ) and the isotropic ( $\epsilon_{ie}$ ,  $K_i h_i$ ) cases. Similar connection between the two types of problems has been observed elsewhere [5], [12] - [18] for other configurations.

#### B. Variational Expression for the Line Capacitance of Coupled C-Type Transmission Lines (C-CTL)

The charge distribution on the conductors at  $y = 0$  can be related to the aperture field  $e_x(x)$  at  $y = 0$  plane by using a procedure similar to that used for the asymmetrical coplanar-type transmission line. The charge distribution  $\sigma(x)$  is given by

$$\sigma(x) = \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} P_C(\alpha x | x') e_x(x') dx' d\alpha \quad (12)$$

where

$$Y_L(\alpha) = \frac{1 + \epsilon_{ie} \tanh(K_1 h_1 |\alpha|)}{1 + \frac{1}{\epsilon_{ie}} \tanh(K_1 h_1 |\alpha|)} \quad (6)$$

$$Y_L(\alpha) = \frac{1 + \frac{\epsilon_{2e}}{\epsilon_{3e}} \tanh(K_2 h_2 |\alpha|) \tanh(K_3 h_3 |\alpha|)}{\frac{1}{\epsilon_{2e}} \tanh(K_2 h_2 |\alpha|) + \frac{1}{\epsilon_{3e}} \tanh(K_3 h_3 |\alpha|)}$$

$$k_1 = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_{ixx}}{\epsilon_{iyy}} - \left| \frac{\epsilon_{ixy}}{\epsilon_{iyy}} \right|^2}$$

$$\epsilon_{ie} = \sqrt{\epsilon_{ixx} \epsilon_{iyy} - \epsilon_{ixy}^2}$$

The total charge  $Q_0$  on the center strip  $|x| < a$  can be expressed as follows:

$$Q_0 = \int_{x_2}^{x_1} \sigma(x) dx \quad (7)$$

where  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  can be arbitrary values in the right slot  $2 < x_1 < b_1$  and in the left slot  $-b_2 < x_2 < -2$ , respectively.

Multiplying (7) by  $e_x(x_1)$  and integrating over the right slot located at  $a < x_1 < b_1$ , we get

$$Q_0 V_0 = \int_a^{b_1} e_x(x_1) \left| \int_{x_2}^{x_1} \sigma(x) dx \right| dx_1 \quad (8a)$$

( $-b_2 < x_2 < -2$ )

Similarly,

$$-Q_0 V_0 = \int_{-b_2}^{-a} e_x(x_2) \left| \int_{x_2}^{x_1} \sigma(x) dx \right| dx_2 \quad (8b)$$

( $a < x_1 < b$ )

where  $V_0$  is the potential difference between the center strip and the ground conductors, i.e.,

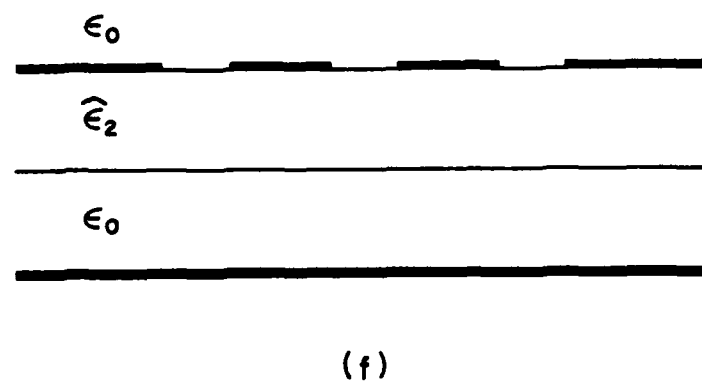
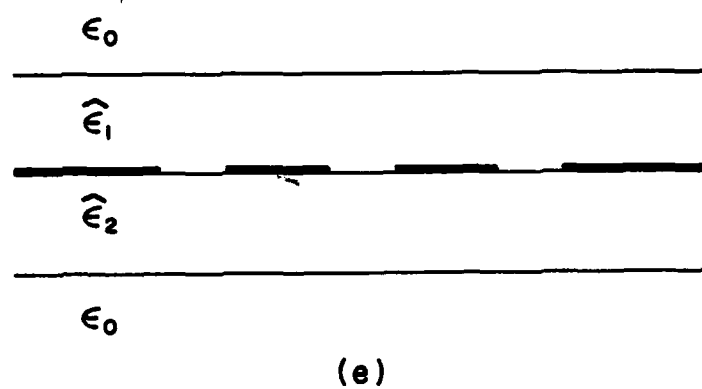
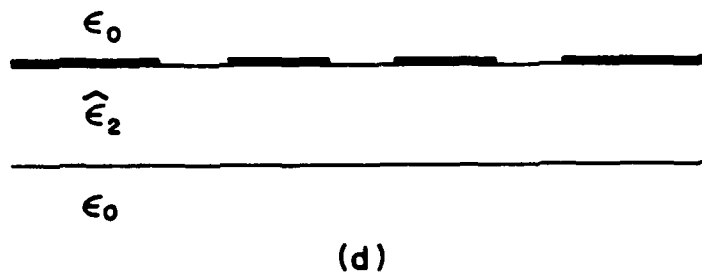


Figure 2. (d) coupled coplanar waveguide  
 (e) coupled sandwich coplanar waveguide  
 (f) coupled conductor-backed coplanar waveguide

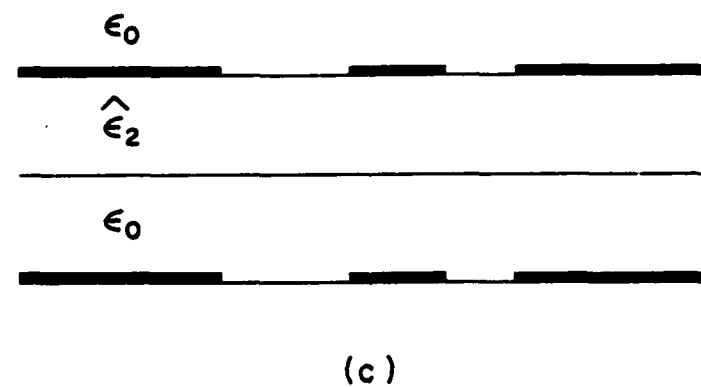
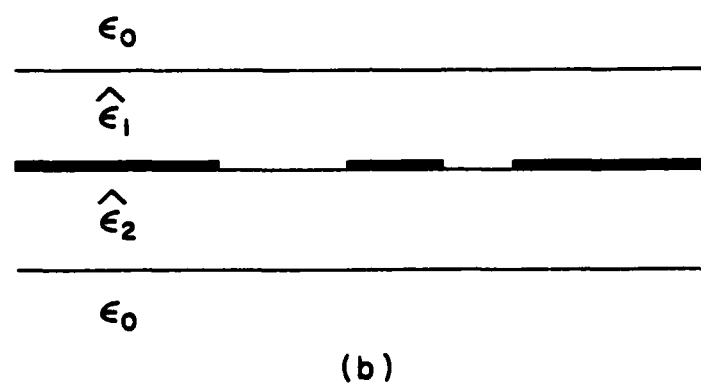
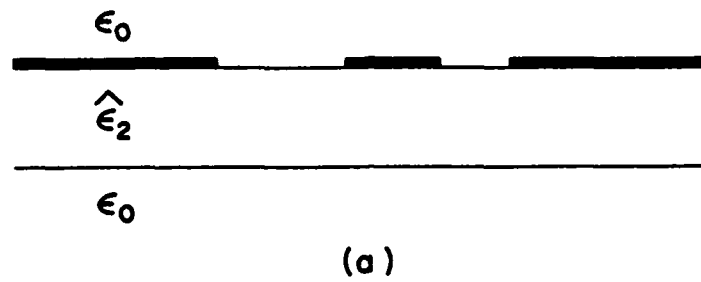


Figure 2. (a) asymmetrical coplanar waveguide  
 (b) asymmetrical sandwich coplanar waveguide  
 (c) asymmetrical conductor-backed coplanar waveguide

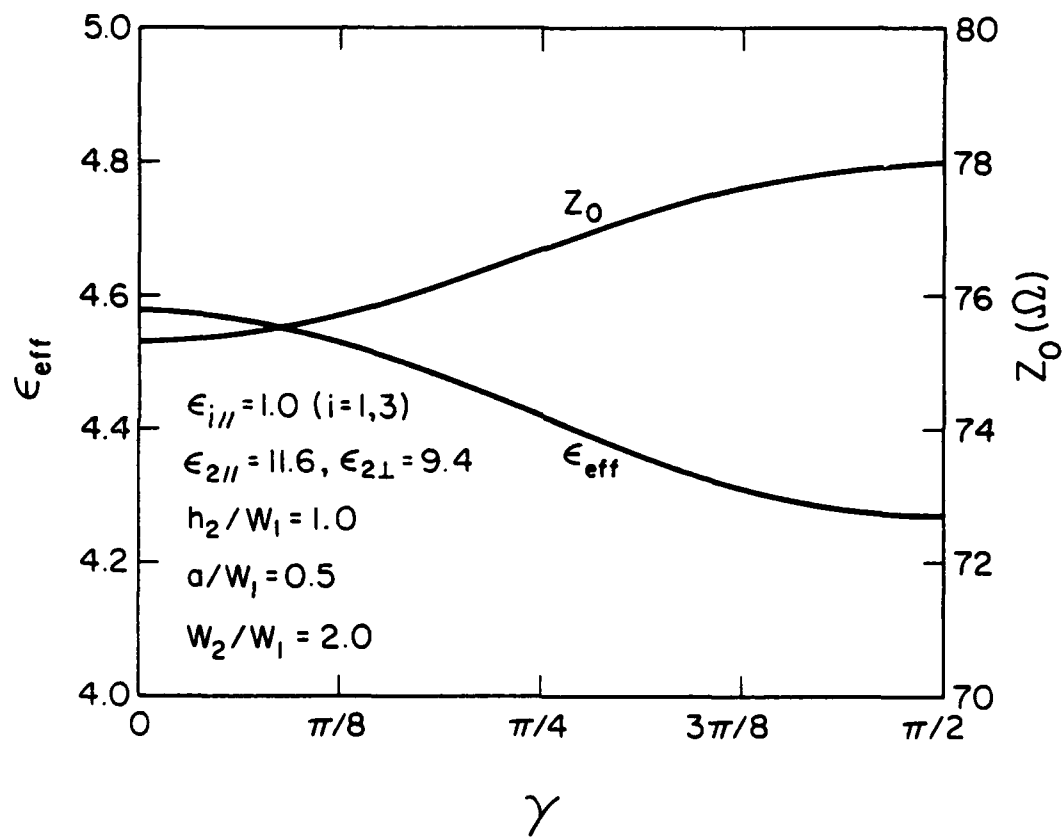


Figure 5. Asymmetrical coplanar waveguide on anisotropic sapphire substrate.

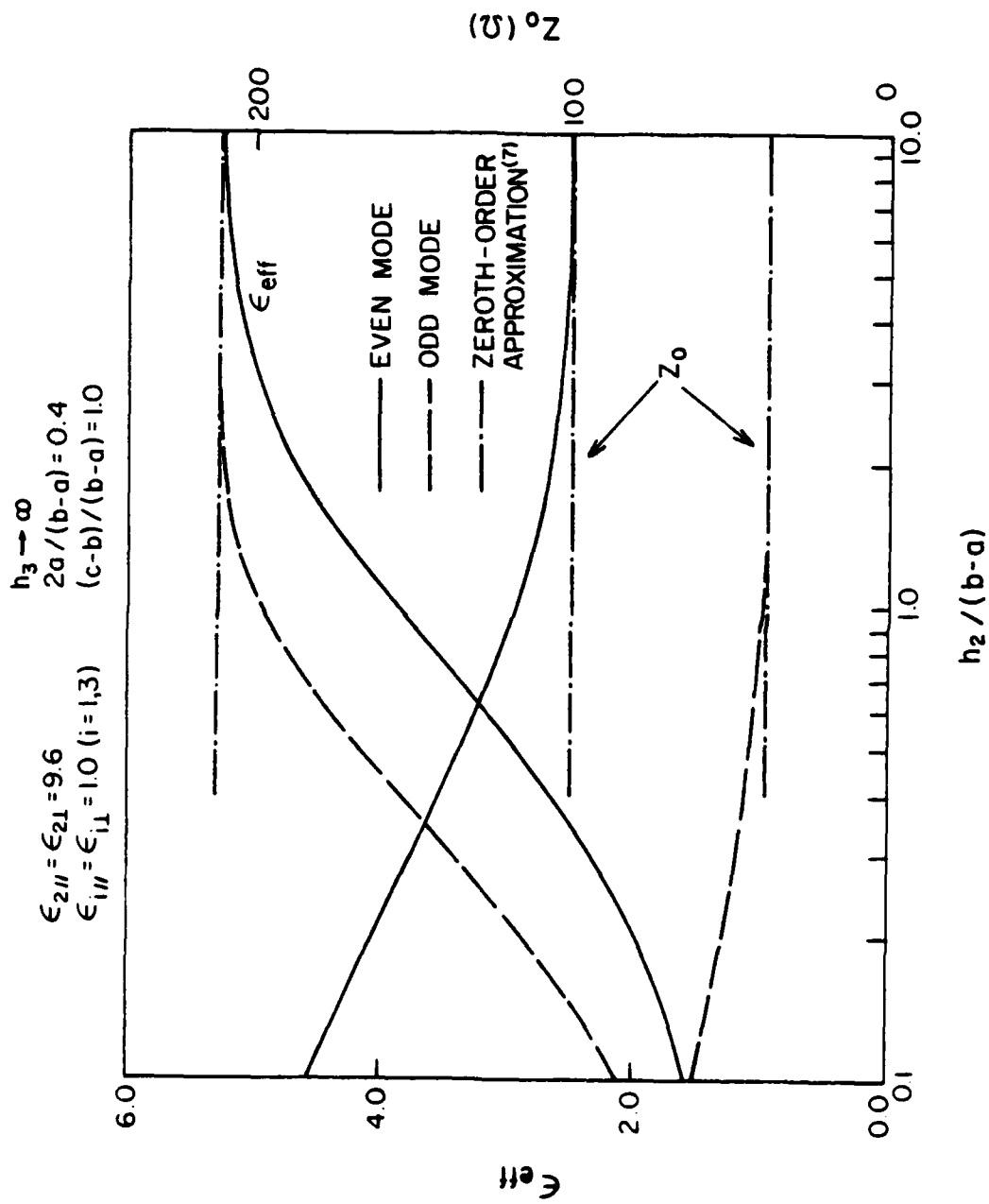


Figure 6. The comparison of this method with the zeroth-order approximation of C-CTL.

Figure 7 shows the even- and odd-mode characteristics of the open C-CTL on an isotropic substrate as a function of electrode configurations. The dependence on the width of inner slot  $2a$  is less for even modes; in contrast, the dependence on the width of the outer slot ( $C-b$ ) is less for odd modes.

Figure 8 shows the characteristics of the open C-CTL on an anisotropic substrate ( $\epsilon_2 = 5.12$ ,  $\epsilon_{2\perp} = 3.40$ ). The effective dielectric constant  $\epsilon_{eff}$  and the characteristic impedance  $Z_0$  are shown as a function of the angle  $\gamma_2$  of the optical axis from the x-axis.

Figure 9 shows the results for a shielded C-CTL with an anisotropic sapphire substrate ( $\epsilon_{3\parallel} = 11.6$ ,  $\epsilon_{3\perp} = 9.4$ ,  $\gamma_3 = \pi/2$ ). It is noted that the even modes are more sensitive than the odd modes to the variation in  $h_4$ , the spacing between the substrate and the shielding conductor. Equal even- and odd-mode phase velocities are obtained by adjusting  $h_4$  and under these conditions high directivity can be achieved in a directional coupler design that employs these lines.

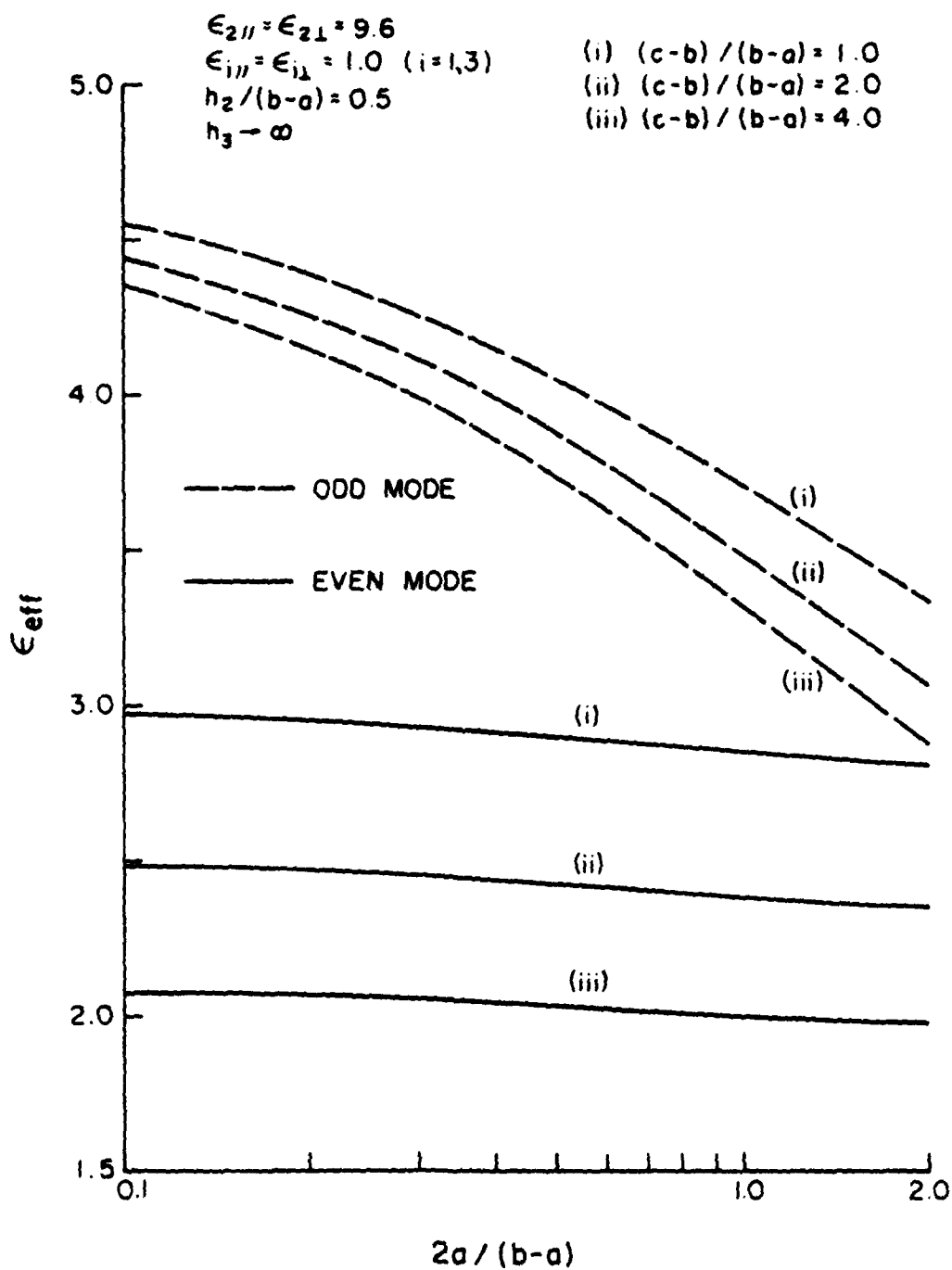


Figure 7a. Effective dielectric constant  $\epsilon_{eff}$  of open C-CTL.



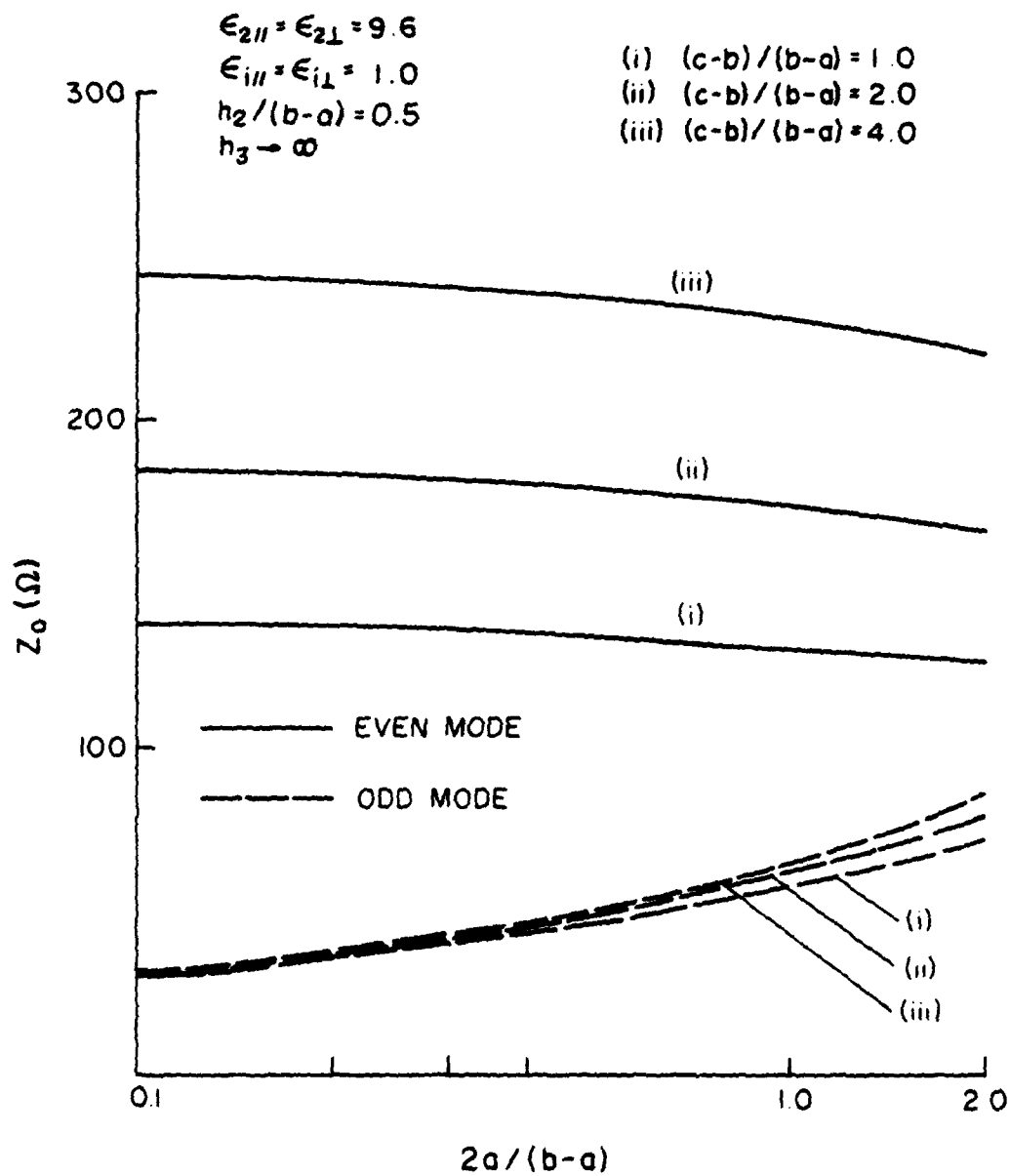


Figure 7b. Characteristic impedance  $Z_o$  of open C-CTL.

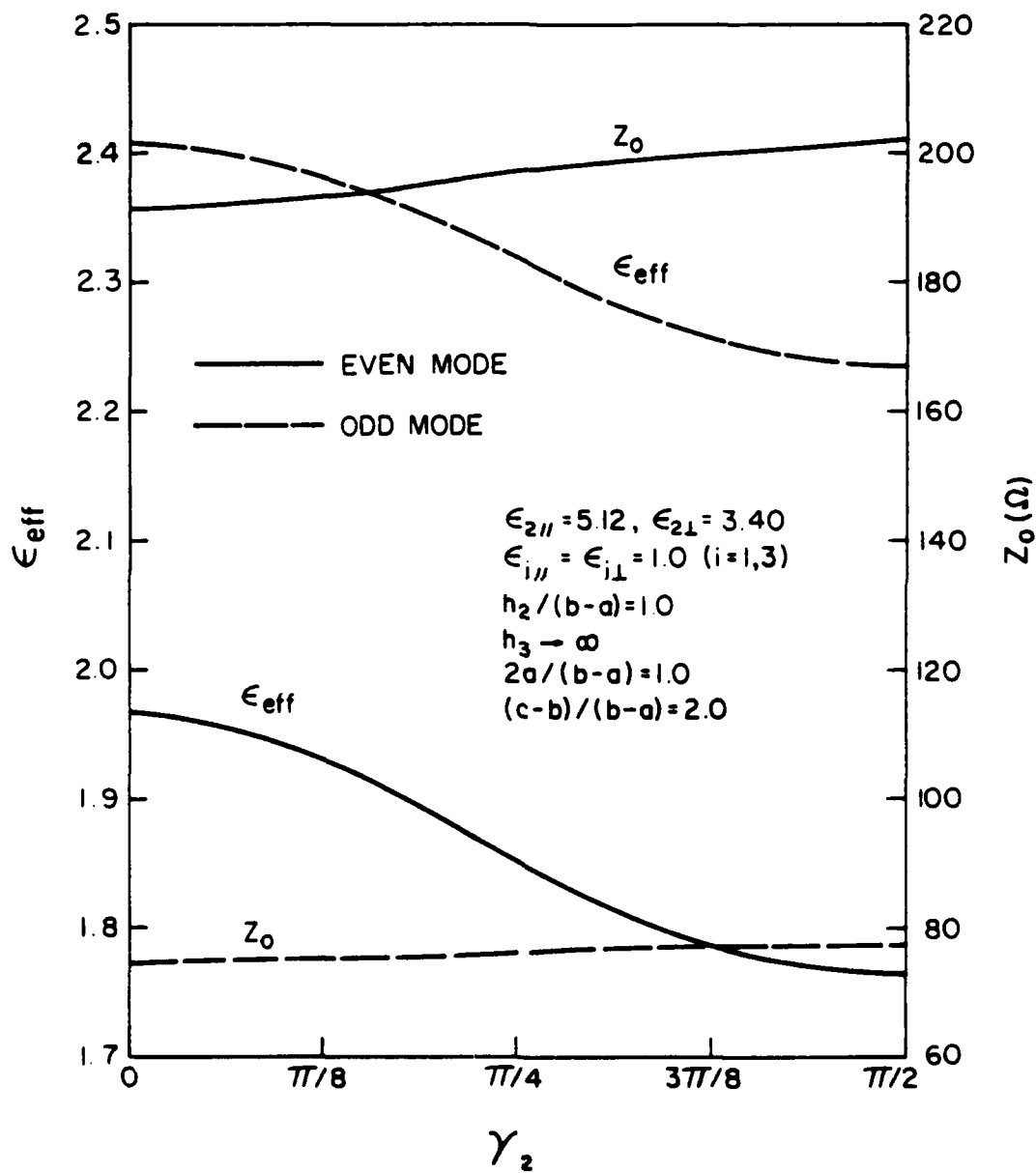


Figure 8. Effective dielectric constant and characteristic impedance of C-CTL versus  $\gamma_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_{3//} &= 11.6, \epsilon_{3\perp} = 9.4, \gamma_3 = \pi/2 \\ \epsilon_{i//} &= \epsilon_{i\perp} = 1.0 \quad (i=1,2,4) \\ (h_1 + h_2)/(b-a) &= 10.0, h_3/(b-a) = 0.6 \\ 2a/(b-a) &= 0.6, (c-b)/(b-a) = 2.0, d/(b-a) = 5.0\end{aligned}$$

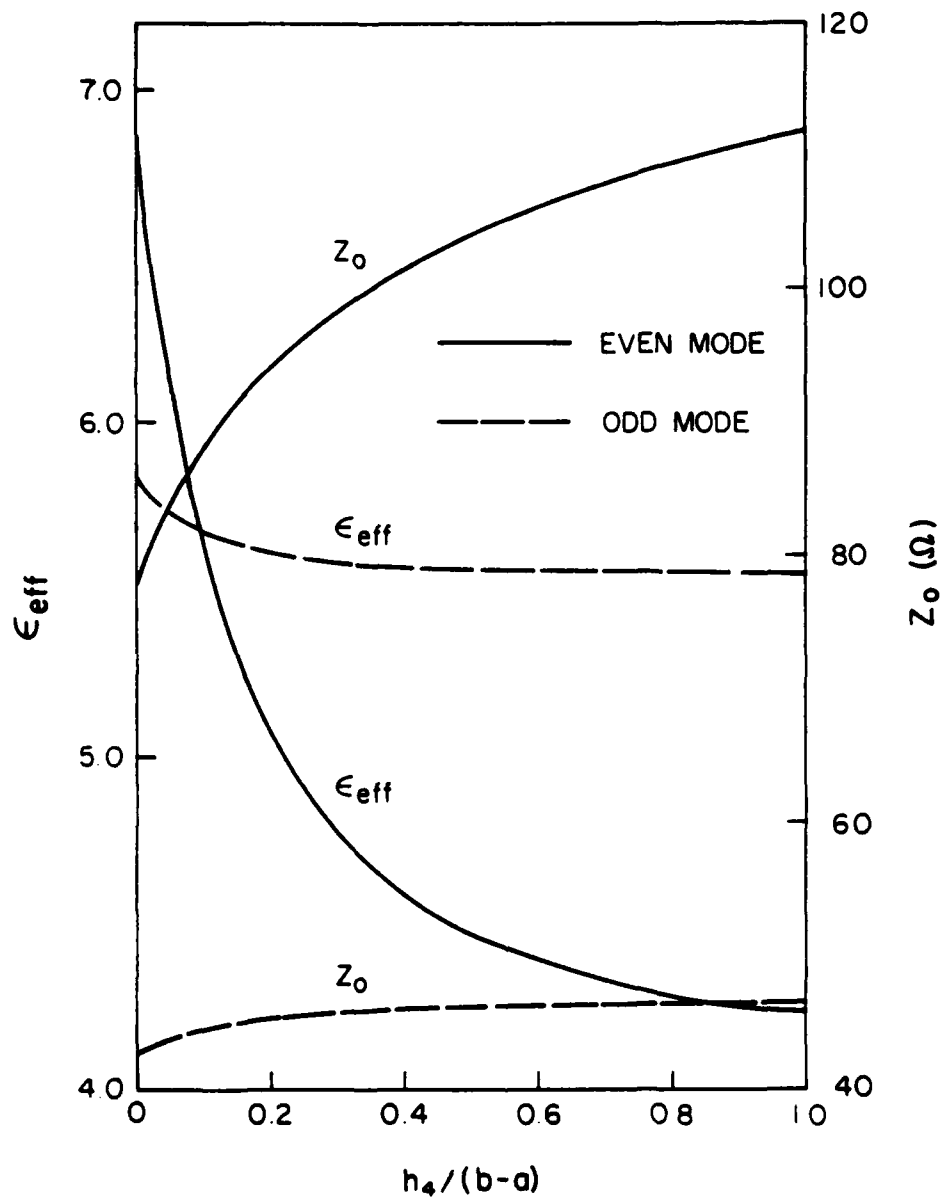


Figure 9. Effective dielectric constant  $\epsilon_{eff}$  and characteristic impedance  $Z_0$  of shielded C-CTL with an anisotropic sapphire substrate.

#### IV. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper variational expressions for the line capacitances are derived for the general structures of asymmetrical and coupled coplanar-type transmission lines. The present analysis, which is valid for anisotropic media, suggests a relationship between the anisotropic and the equivalent isotropic case.

An efficient computational scheme, based on the Ritz procedure, has been employed for the numerical computations. Numerical results have been compared with the exact analytical solutions for the special case of air as the substrate material; excellent agreement has been found for a wide range of parameters. Some numerical data for asymmetrical and coupled coplanar-type transmission lines are shown for both the isotropic and anisotropic substrates.

## APPENDIX I

### ASYMMETRICAL COPLANAR WAVEGUIDE WITHOUT SUBSTRATES

The line capacitances of the asymmetrical coplanar waveguide without substrates can be evaluated analytically by a repeated application of conformal mapping. A series of transformations are shown in Fig. 10. The determinantal equations for the ratios  $t_3/u_3$  and  $s_3/t_3$ , which determine  $k_3$ , are given in the following:

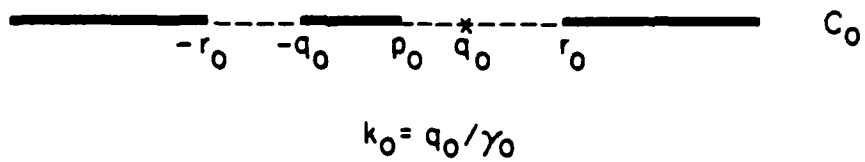
the determinatal equation of  $t_3/u_3$

$$2 \frac{K(k_o)}{K'(k_o)} = \frac{K\left(\frac{t_3}{u_3}\right)}{K'\left(\frac{t_3}{u_3}\right)} \quad (\text{A-1})$$

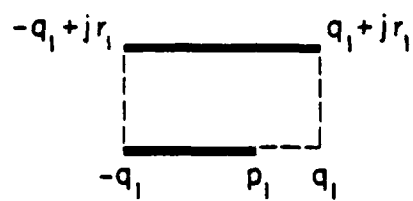
the determinatal equation of  $s_3/t_3$

$$\frac{F\left(\arcsin \frac{p_o}{q_o}\right)}{K(k_o)} + 1 = 2 \frac{F\left(\arcsin \frac{s_3}{t_3}, \frac{t_3}{u_3}\right)}{K\left(\frac{t_3}{u_3}\right)} \quad (\text{A-2})$$

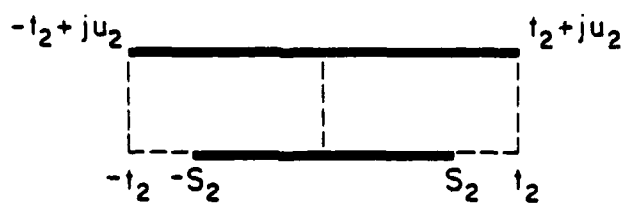
where  $F(a,b)$  is the elliptic integral of the first kind and  $K(k)$  is the complete elliptic integral of the first kind.



(a)



$$C_1 = C_0 / 2$$



$$C_2 = 2C_1 \\ = C_0$$

$$S_2 = p_1 + q_1$$

$$t_2 = 2q_1$$

$$u_2 = r_1$$

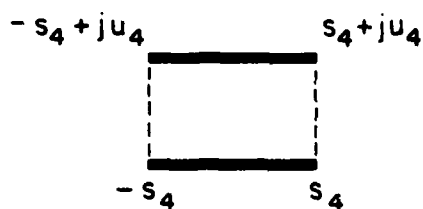
Figure 10. A series of transformations for the asymmetrical coplanar waveguide (ACPW) without a substrate. The geometry of the line is shown in (a).



$$C_3 = 2C_2$$

$$= 2C_0$$

$$k_3 = s_3/u_3$$



$$C_4 = C_3/2 = C_0$$

$$C_4 = \epsilon_0 \frac{2s_4}{u_4} = 2\epsilon_0 \frac{K(k_3)}{K'(k_3)}$$

————— Electric Wall

----- Magnetic Wall

Figure 10. Continued

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