

Design and Simulation of Compact Band-Pass Filter Using Stub Loaded Plasmonic Mim Waveguide

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Abstract

In this article, plasmonic band-pass filters (BPF) have been studied and numerically analyzed. This filter has been designed based on the two-stubs. Pass-band can be realized by appropriately adjusting the lengths and width of the resonator. Based on the ideal characteristics of the proposed two stubs BPF is allowing the band at THz frequencies. Multiple transmission zeros are generated to improve the selectivity of the filter. All simulated results have been studied using CST Microwave studio suite. Usually, the transmission effectiveness is revealed by the exact resonance condition, which will confirm along with the numerical simulation or theoretical analysis. This article delivers a promising application for plasmonic BPFs in addition to plasmonic integrated circuits (PICs).

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1. Introduction

Surface plasmon polaritons (SPPs) would be the basic elements for propagating the electromagnetic waves which have been generated and enclosed at the surface of the metal-dielectric interface [1], which are additionally considered to overcome the diffraction limit in the light at nanoscale domain [2]. Recently, nanoplasmonic metal-insulator-metal (MIM) waveguide is one of various research topics [3], which can be confirmed to be a most effective technique for guiding the light with nanoscale mode confinement and comparatively low loss [4], [5]. Being well recognized, several sub-wavelength optical devices have been designed using nanoplasmonic MIM waveguide are generally studied and reported [6],[7], which can be obtained by simply coupling with different resonators. Various stub resonators are already studied and researched by theory and experiments, including V grooves [8], bends [9], disk-resonators [10]. Still, most of these stub resonators are the symmetrical shape. Keeping this fact in mind, we first propose a nanoplasmonic stub loaded MIMSIR. In this article, dual band-pass filter has been proposed and a nanoplasmonic MIMSIR with coupled stubs is investigated. The full-wave simulations are utilized to study the transmission functionality of the proposed device using CST Microwave studio suite. The transmission spectrum of BPFs is realized with the lengths and width of the waveguide when the effective index of the insulator is fixed. Additionally, the wavelengths and transmission spectrum of the dips and peak are discussed. The transmission and reflection coefficients of the nanoplasmonic MIM waveguide-based optical devices have been obtained at THz frequencies with a controllable transmission spectrum, which contains potential application in photonic integrated circuits (PICs) [11].

2. Analysis of the Dual band pass band filter with coupled stubs

Fig. 1 shows the dual bandpass band filter with coupled stubs using plasmonic MIMSIR. The dual band resonator is formed by loading two similar open stubs at identical sides of plasmonic MIMSIR with the dimensions $W_1=80$ nm, $W_2=320$ nm, lengths $L_1=1700$ nm, $L_2=150$ nm, $L_3=400$ nm.

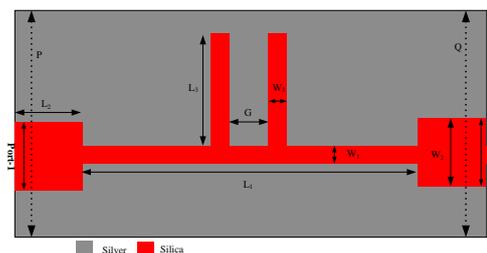


Fig.1 Geometry of the dual band Stub-Loaded MIMSIR based plasmonic Band Pass Filter for fixed widths $W_1=80$ nm, $W_2=320$ nm, lengths $L_1=1700$ nm, $L_2=150$ nm, $L_3=400$ nm.

The high impedance gap is generally represented by width W_1 and the lower impedance gap is represented by width W_2 , W_3 respectively, although MIMSIR waveguide total electrical length is $L_1 \times \theta_1$. P and Q are the power monitors, arranged for calculating the input and output power levels at same distances from the center point of the MIMSIR respectively.

From the simulation results, the transverse magnetic (TM) mode with the nanoplasmonic waveguide is usually excited using a dipole

source and $5\text{ nm} \times 5\text{ nm}$ are the grid sizes along x and y directions. Here $W_1 > W_3 > W_2$, as a result $Z_1 < Z_3 > Z_2$ i.e. impedance is small, the width of the waveguide is large and vice versa. Generally, for the admittance, resonance and spurious frequency of gap transmission line ($\lambda/4$) the suitable design equations for have been described in [12].

3. Results and Discussion

The filter response in addition to the result of different modifications from width of MIM waveguide (W_1) is shown in Fig.2 and Fig.3.

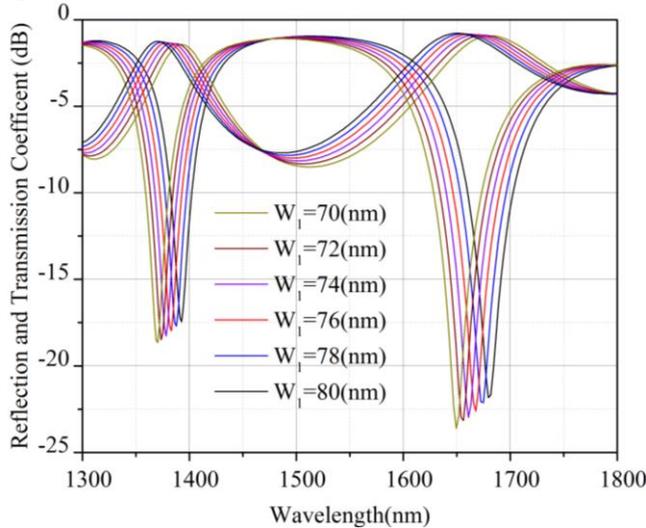


Fig.2 Variation of reflection and transmission coefficient with wavelength as a function of width (W_1), $W_2=320\text{ nm}$, lengths $L_1=1700\text{ nm}$, $L_2=150\text{ nm}$, $L_3=400\text{ nm}$.

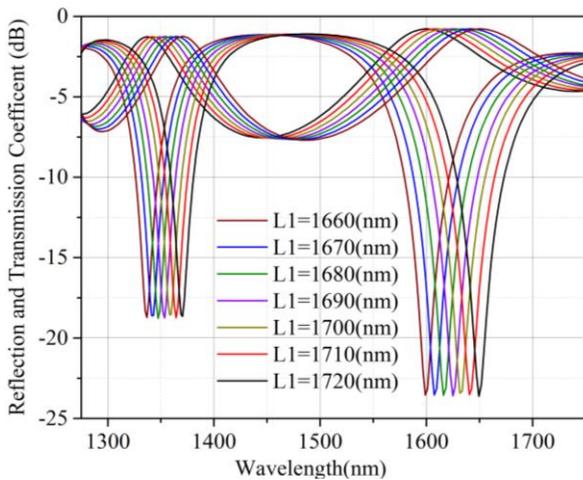


Fig.3 Variation of transmission and reflection coefficient with wavelength as a function of Length (L_1), $W_1=80\text{ nm}$, $W_2=320\text{ nm}$, lengths $L_2=150\text{ nm}$, $L_3=400\text{ nm}$.

A precise and unique passband is present around at 1358-nm and 1631-nm in the proposed geometry; Fig. 4 depicts the field distributions of the recommended geometry.

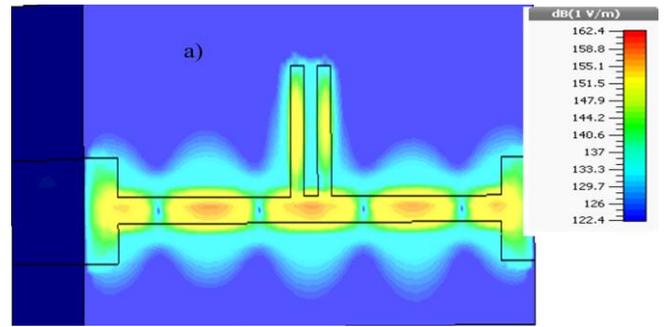


Fig.4 Field distribution at wavelength a) 1631-nm

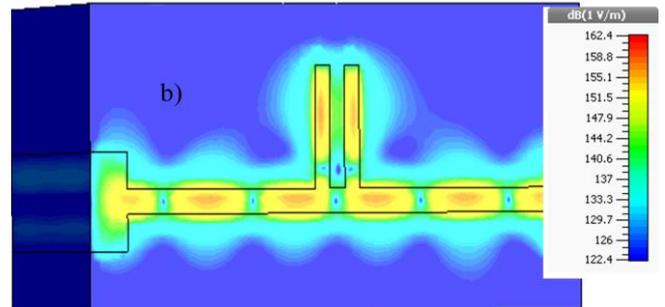


Fig.4 Field distribution at wavelength b) 1358-nm

4. Conclusions

By utilizing a nanoplasmonic planar step impedance resonator in MIM gap waveguide, a new stub loaded plasmonic MIMSIR waveguide based dual band pass-band filter have been carried out and implemented. The simulation results of electromagnetic (EM) wave demonstrate the presence of two passbands at 1358nm and 1631nm. The proposed pass-band filter device offers low insertion loss and is compact; thus it might be helpful in high-density multi-band PICs.

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