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Mode-Specific Reflectometry in a Multimode Waveguide

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A technique for measuring the voltage-standing-wave ratio (VSWR) created by a mismatch for a specific mode in a multimode waveguide is described. A heavily loaded resonant cavity is used to launch the mode of interest and the variation in the cavity loaded Q is noted as the phase separation of the cavity and the mismatch is varied. The bandwidth of this technique is generally about 0.03 percent and VSWR as low as 1.05:1 may be measured accurately. Mode-specific VSWR measurements are of particular interest in analyzing the performance of multimode waveguide components, and in optimizing multimode networks. The measurement technique may be used, for example, in the design and optimization of transmission lines for electron cyclotron resonance heating systems in magnetic fusion devices.

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