

Spectral Dependence of Light-Induced Microwave Reflection Coefficient from Optoelectronic Waveguide Gratings

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After a short description of the method of operation of optoelectronic microwave filters, a detailed analysis of the spectral dependence of light-induced microwave reflection coefficient from an optoelectronically generated distributed Bragg reflection waveguide grating is reported. The theory is based on an improved stepped-impedance model utilizing a diffusion-controlled abrupt-profile approach of photoconductivity along with a conformal mapping technique for the quasi-static evaluation of the spectral performance of photoinduced wave attenuation. The validity of theory is clarified and the calculated results are compared with experimental results. As a useful result for future applications, an optimum excitation wavelength of about 825 nm for a fiber-optically controlled lab-tested 50Ω full-substrate silicon coplanar waveguide has been obtained.

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