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A 3-D broadband dual-layer multiaperture microstrip directional coupler

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A three-dimensional (3-D) broadband dual-layer multiaperture microstrip directional coupler is presented in this paper. The dual-layer, multiaperture directional coupler consists of two-layer back-to-back substrates with 15 small coupling apertures on the center ground plane. A novel rectangular multiaperture coupling structure with very small width is used to greatly extend the bandwidth and operating frequency of the coupler. The ± 2.4 dB coupling variation bandwidth of the couplers is more than 1.5 octaves from 9.79 to 29.55 GHz. The insertion losses, return losses at all ports and directivities, are better than 1.7 dB, 10.26 dB, and 10.3 dB over the bandwidth, respectively. The measurements agree well with the simulations.

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