

Fig. 12. Probability (F_m) of a missed pulse versus pulselength.

any significant mean level from the Ku -band noise channel implies that, in this case, moding was not making a significant contribution to the mean inter-spectral noise level.

FRONT EDGE JITTER AND MISSED PULSES

From the jitter distributions shown in Fig. 8, it can be seen that the probability of a late pulse decreases rapidly with time. However, occasionally a pulse will be late by 30 percent or more of the mean pulse duration and this would register as a missing pulse as defined in the introduction. Integration of (1) above shows that the probability $F(t)$ that a pulse will reach the reference level after time t asymptotically becomes,

$$\log_{10} F(t) = -\frac{(t - T_D)}{10} \cdot R_g$$

where R_g , the RF growth rate, is given by

$$R_g = \frac{4.34}{\tau} \text{ dB/ns}$$

and T_D , the dealy time, is given by

$$\exp \frac{T_D}{\tau} = \frac{P_{\text{ref}}}{P_{\text{mean}}}$$

Physically T_D is the time required for the most probable power growth curve to reach the reference level.

Now, assuming the mean starting time is equal to T_D , a missed pulse will occur when

$$t - T_D \geq 0.3 T_p$$

where T_p is the pulselength, so the probability of a missed pulse, caused by front edge jitter only, is given by

$$\log_{10} F_m \approx -0.03 \cdot R_g \cdot T_p. \quad (2)$$

Plots of F_m versus T_p , for different R_g , are shown in Fig. 12, and it can be seen that the probability of jitter causing a missed pulse decreases very rapidly with increasing pulselength and RF growth rate. Note the missed pulse rate is given by F_m multiplied by the PRF.

It is interesting to note from the above that digital measurement of the missing pulse count on short pulse conventional modulators gives information about the rate of RF growth of the magnetron.

CONCLUSIONS

Front edge jitter is a major source of mean inter-spectral noise, it is fundamental to the starting of a magnetron and depends on the rate of RF growth only. For very rapid rate of rise of the

modulation pulse, jitter may be anomalously low.

In the increasingly more common case of very short pulses, or when the RF growth rate is very low, front edge jitter can result in "traditional" missing pulses (≤ 70 -percent mean energy).

Transient increases in the inter-line noise (spikes) can be caused by the magnetron operating in the wrong mode.

Specifications calling up low levels of mean inter-line noise imply small front edge jitter and, therefore, virtually no missing pulses.

In a system in which front edge jitter is the only source of instability, a measurement of the missing pulse count could, together with (2), be used to calculate the rate of RF growth.

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Guided Magnetostatic Waves of the YIG Plate Magnetized Nonuniformly

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Abstract—It is shown that magnetostatic waves may propagate along a discontinuity of the internal dc magnetic field when its strength is made nonuniform such as a step. Backward waves may also propagate in this magnetic field configuration.

In the past, the effects of nonuniformity of the internal dc magnetic field on the generation or propagation characteristics of magnetostatic modes have been discussed by a number of investigators [1]–[6]. Recently, it has been reported [7] that controlled magnetostatic waves can propagate in desired frequency ranges at desired speed if appropriate dc magnetic field gradients are applied. In this work, we study magnetostatic wave propagation for the case in which the dc magnetic field in the inner region of the sample is stronger or weaker than the field in the outer region.

The external static field shall be applied by using pole pieces such that the internal magnetic field is deliberately nonuniform. Then, which modes may propagate in the structure shown in Fig.

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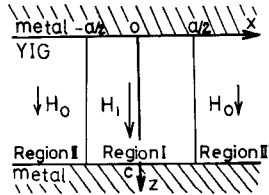


Fig. 1. Cross-sectional view of the guide geometry.

1? The magnetic static field intensity in the region I, H_1 , is different from that in the region II, H_0 , although both fields are uniform along the y axis. Two surfaces ($z=0, c$) are metalized and the biasing field is z -directed. This mathematical model is not a realistic representation of the physical configuration, but is chosen for the sake of mathematical simplicity. The magneto-static approximation is employed. The magnetostatic potential has the form $\phi(x, z) \exp[j(\omega t - k_y y)]$, and satisfies the following equations:

$$\mu_i \left(\frac{\partial^2 \phi_i}{\partial x^2} - k_y^2 \phi_i \right) + \frac{\partial^2 \phi_i}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{h}_i = \nabla \phi_i, \quad \mathbf{b}_i = \mu_0 \begin{pmatrix} \mu_i & j\kappa_i & 0 \\ -j\kappa_i & \mu_i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mu_z \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{h}_i, \quad i = \text{I, II}$$

where the indexes I, II correspond to the region I and the region II, II', respectively. The normal component of the magnetic induction must vanish on the metal, that is, $b_z = 0$ at $z=0, c$. Hence ϕ_i is proportional to $\cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{c}z\right)$ ($n=0, 1, 2, \dots$). Consequently the magnetic potential may be written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_I &= (Ae^{-\alpha_I x} + Be^{\alpha_I x}) \cos \frac{n\pi}{c} z e^{-jk_y y} \\ \phi_{II} &= Ce^{\alpha_{II} x} \cos \frac{n\pi}{c} z e^{-jk_y y} \\ \phi_{II'} &= De^{-\alpha_{II'} x} \cos \frac{n\pi}{c} z e^{-jk_y y} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

with

$$\alpha_{I, II} = \sqrt{k_y^2 + (n\pi/c)^2 / \mu_{I, II}}.$$

By considering the continuity of h_z , h_y , and b_x at the interfaces at $x = \pm a/2$, the following equation is obtained in order that a nontrivial solution may exist:

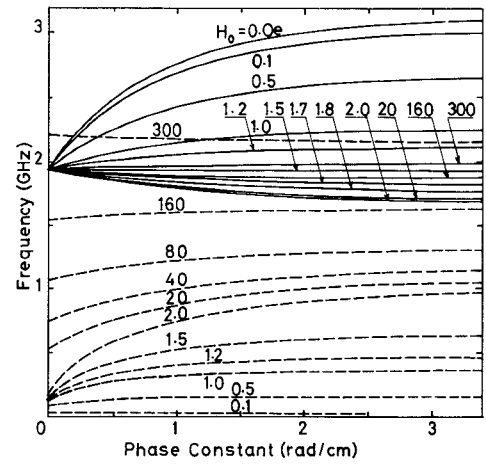
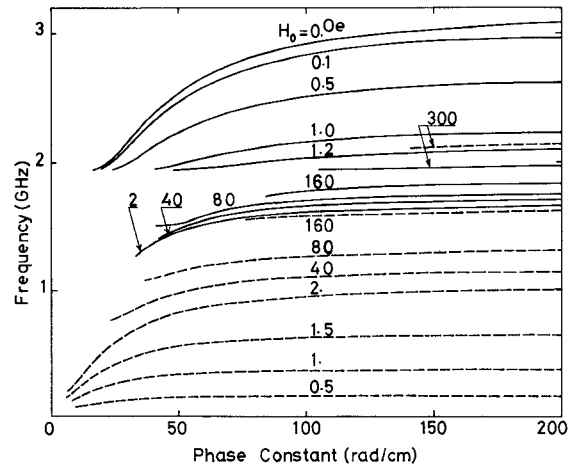
$$e^{2\alpha_I a} = \frac{(\alpha_I \mu_I - \alpha_{II} \mu_{II})^2 - (\kappa_I - \kappa_{II})^2 k_y^2}{(\alpha_I \mu_I + \alpha_{II} \mu_{II})^2 - (\kappa_I - \kappa_{II})^2 k_y^2}. \quad (3)$$

This equation has also a solution when α_I is pure imaginary, that is, μ_I is negative. Putting $\alpha_I = -j\alpha'_I$, (3) may be rewritten as

$$\tan \alpha'_I a = \frac{2\alpha'_I \alpha_{II} \mu_I \mu_{II}}{(\alpha'_I \mu_I)^2 - (\alpha_{II} \mu_{II})^2 + (\kappa_I - \kappa_{II})^2 k_y^2}. \quad (4)$$

When μ_I is positive, the magnetostatic waves decay exponentially away from the interface between the regions I and II, or the regions I and II'. The modes are considered surface waves. When μ_I is negative, the waves will propagate as the volume modes.

Here (3) will be examined in detail when the α_I becomes real (surface wave case). The following numerical values are used for the computation: the width of the region I, $a=5$ mm, the thickness of the YIG plate, $c=0.7$ mm, the saturation magnetization, $4\pi M=1760$ G, and the gyromagnetic ratio, $\gamma=2.8$ MHz/Oe. The magnetization curve is approximated by the piecewise linear

Fig. 2. Dispersion relations for the z independent magnetostatic waves ((3) with $n=0$) in the configuration shown in Fig. 1. H_1 is assumed to be 240 Oe.Fig. 3. Dispersion relations for the z dependent magnetostatic waves ((3) with $n=1$) in the configuration shown in Fig. 1. H_1 is assumed to be 240 Oe.

representation such that the magnetization increases linearly from zero to the saturation if the internal dc field is less than 2 Oe and otherwise it is constant at the saturation magnetization. For the saturated ferrite, Polder tensor permeability is used. However, the off-diagonal elements of the tensor permeability for partially magnetized ferrites are taken from [8].

The results are shown in Figs. 2 and 3. It is assumed that $H_1=240$ Oe. Fig. 2 shows the dispersion relations of $n=0$ magnetostatic modes, of which amplitudes are independent of z . There exist two groups. It can be seen from full lines of Fig. 2 that one exists even though $H_0=0$ Oe. It becomes a backward wave as H_0 is close to H_1 . The other, which is indicated by a broken line, exists only if the outer region is magnetized. The smaller the difference between H_1 and H_0 becomes, the narrower the magnetostatic wave bandwidth is confined. As expected, if H_0 is equal to H_1 , there is no guided wave. When H_0 is stronger than H_1 , the magnetostatic waves can propagate again and the latter group becomes in turn a backward wave. In multilayered structures containing YIG films of different $4\pi M$, forward and backward surface wave solutions were also found [9].

The dispersion relations of the waves, which have an amplitude variation in the z -direction ($n=1$), are shown in Fig. 3. Since $\exp(2\alpha_I a)$ in (3) is much greater than unity with the assumed dimensions, the propagation constants of the waves of which $n \geq 2$, are obtained from the results in Fig. 3 by multiplying n . It

is seen that the z dependent waves have the similar properties except that they are always forward waves.

We conclude that the nonuniformity of the dc magnetic field is available for magnetostatic waveguides. The possibility of the z independent backward magnetostatic waves is also suggested.

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