Measurement of Transmission Losses of Superconducting Coplanar Waveguide and Microstrip Line with On-chip Resonators at 2 mm Wavelength

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Demonstration of a Millimeter-wave Multibeam Receiver Implemented with Superconducting MMICs





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Compact SIS Mixer MMIC



This work will answer the following question: What is the loss (noise contribution) from the CPW and MS transmission lines on this MMIC?

Measurement Scheme

Membrane-based Planar OMT



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Measurement Setup







DC measurement



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Resonator and Transmission Line Parameters

	Strip	Gap	Z_0	ν_a	Structure
CPW	3 µm	4 μm	69 Ω	0.428 c	Si
MS	3 µm		20 Ω	0.436 c	Si



Insulator layer: SiO₂ 300 nm

Coupling Q's for CPW and MS are about 150 and 30 respectively.



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Resonance Curves and Fitting





Independent fitting for each resonator with Lorentzian function

$$\left|S_{21}\right|^{2} = f(\omega_{i}) = \left|1 - \frac{\frac{Q_{t}}{Q_{c}}}{1 + jQ_{t}\frac{\omega - \omega_{i}}{\omega_{i}}}\right|^{2}$$

Fitting of all resonators simultaneously to count the interaction between resonators.

 $|S_{21}|^2 = f(\omega_1)f(\omega_2)f(\omega_3)f(\omega_4)$

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Q factors and Dependence on Temperature



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A different method (Conventional)

Measurement with Network Analyzer







The Back-to-Back Probe will be presented in ASC2022. A. Masukura, W. Shan, S. Ezaki, et al., etc. "Silicon Membrane-based Superconducting Wave-guide-to-CPW Transitions at 2 mm Band"

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Measurement Setup



Resonance Curves



The measured transmission of resonator-loaded transmission line and a reference sample without resonators.

Conclusion of Q measurement





The distribution of all measured intrinsic Q factors. Three types of resonator: CPW, MS and capacitor-loaded CPW.

Conclusion

- An "in-situ" thin-film superconducting transmission line measurement method has been established for MMIC mixer development. This measurement uses SIS junctions as detectors and one of polarization as reference.
- The results were verified by measuring an resonator-loaded transmission line with network analyzer. This measurement platform is useful in transmission measurement of various 2-port superconducting thin film circuits.

