Microwave Photonic Filter based on broadband source sliced by SMF-FMF-SMF structure

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I. INTRODUCTION

The MPF based on broadband source sliced in spectrum, which has excellent single-pass selection and high-Q characteristics.

Disturbance of surroundings on interference arms will appear in the output signal of the traditional broadband source is sliced in spectrum by optical filters.

A MPF based on broadband source sliced by SFS structure is proposed. The proposed MPF also has the advantage of resisting external disturbance due to the in line SFS structure.

II. THEORETICAL ANALYSES

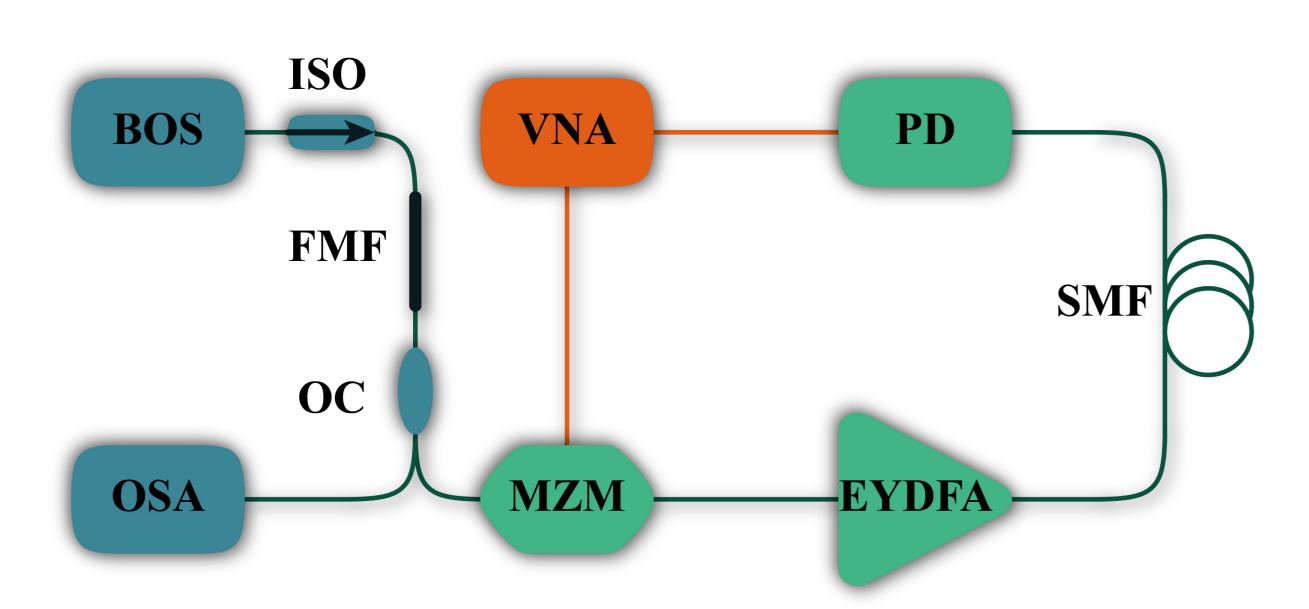


Figure 1.Schematic diagram of the proposed MPF

BOS: Broadband Optical Source, ISO: Isolator, OC: Optical Coupler, OSA: Optical Spectrum Analyzer, VNA: Vector Network Analyzer, PD: Photodetector EYDFA: Erbium Ytterbium Co-Doped Amplifier

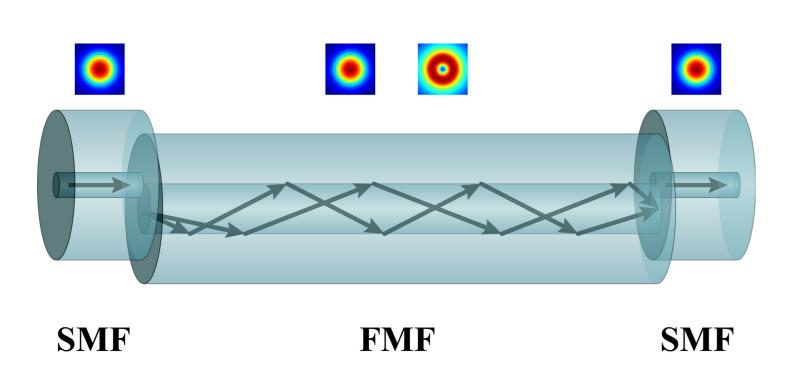


Figure 2. Structure of SFS.

$$T_{SFS}\left(\omega\right) = I_{01} + I_{11} + 2\sqrt{I_{01}I_{11}}\cos\left(\Delta\varphi\right)$$

$$\Delta\varphi = \frac{\omega}{c}\Delta n_{eff}L_{FMF}$$

- The SFS is a sandwich structure of an FMF fused between two SMFs.
- Two fusion points on the left and right are worked as optical splitter and combiner,
- FMF is the interference arm
- The frequency response observed by the VNA can be expressed as

$$H_{RF}(\Omega) = \exp(-jL_{SMF}\beta_1 \Omega) \times \cos\left(L_{SMF}\frac{\beta_2}{2}\Omega^2\right) \times F_{RF}(\Omega)$$

$$F_{RF}(\Omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega S(\omega) T_{SFS}(\omega) \times \exp\left[-jL_{SMF}\beta_2 \Omega(\omega - \omega_0)\right]$$

 While the spatial frequency of the sliced BOS is obtained from the following Fourier transform

$$G\left(\frac{1}{\Delta\lambda}\right) = \mathcal{F}\left\{S(\lambda) \cdot T_{SFS}(\lambda)\right\}$$
$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\lambda S(\lambda) T_{SFS}(\lambda) \exp\left[-j\frac{2\pi}{\Delta\lambda}(\lambda - \lambda_0)\right]$$

- ■Compared with (4) and (5), H_{RF} has similar distribution to the spatial frequency spectrum G of sliced BOS.
- Furthermore, MPF has similar response to the spatial frequency of SFS on the condition that the BOS has enough bandwidth.

III. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

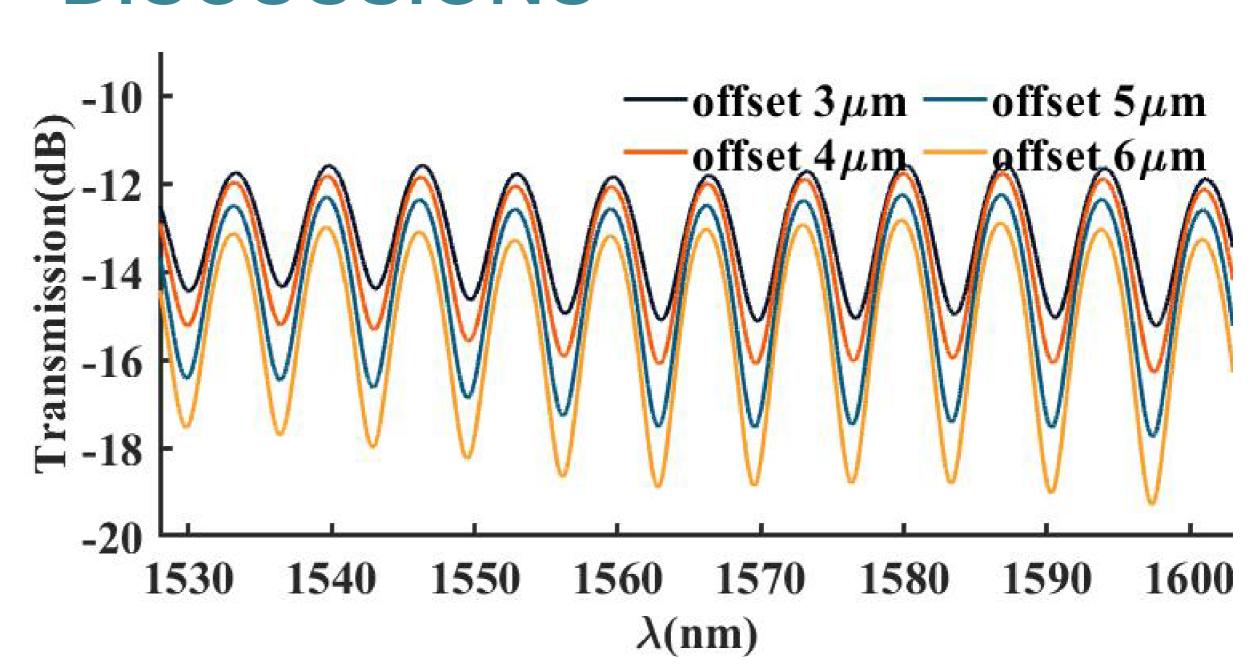


Figure 3. The transmission spectrum of SFS.

- The transmission of SFSs with core offset of 3 μm, 4 μm, 5 μm, and 6 μm,
- The FSR of transmission is about 8 nm
- The insertion loss increases with core offset, while the FSR remains constant

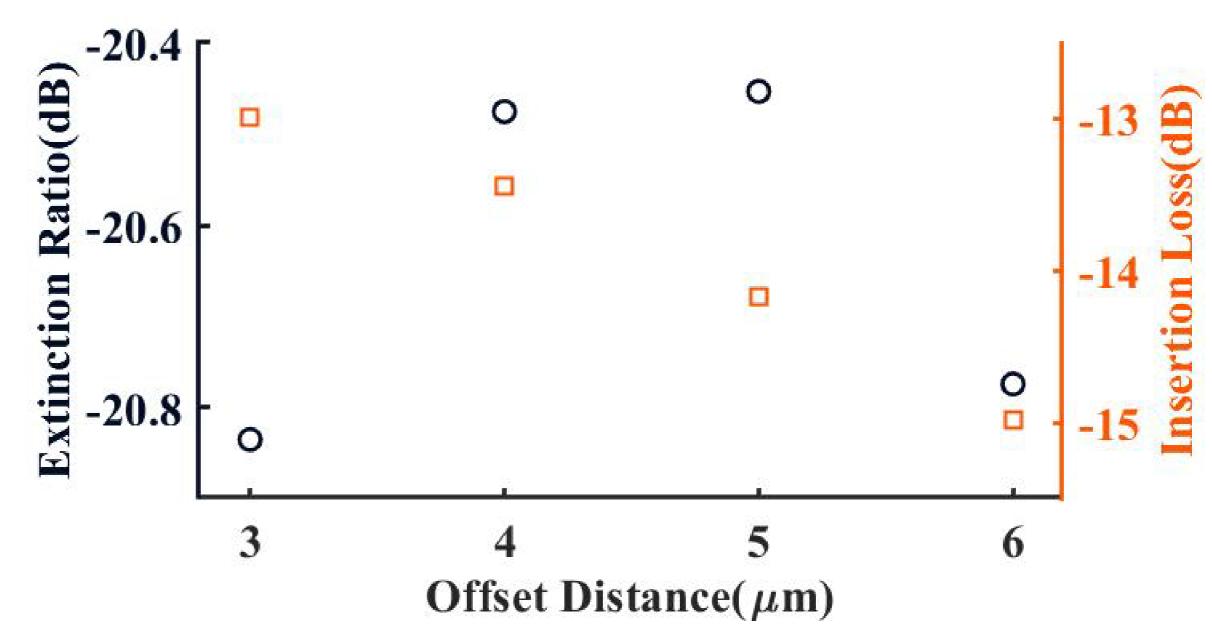


Figure 4. The extinction ratio and insertion loss of SFS.

- The extinction ratio and insertion loss with different core offset distances
- It shows a highest excitation ratio is achieved with a core offset of 5 µ m.

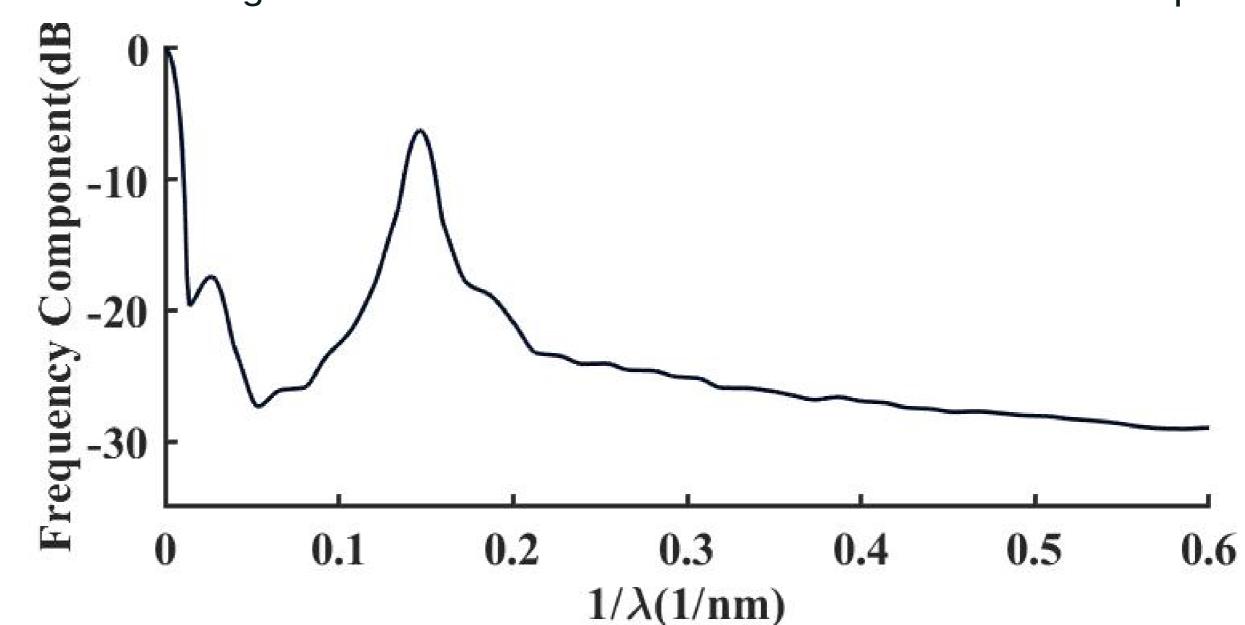


Figure 5. The frequency component of SFS.

● There is a stable peak at 0.15(1/nm), which indicates that the dominant interference modes (LP01 and LP11) in FMF are excited by core offset.

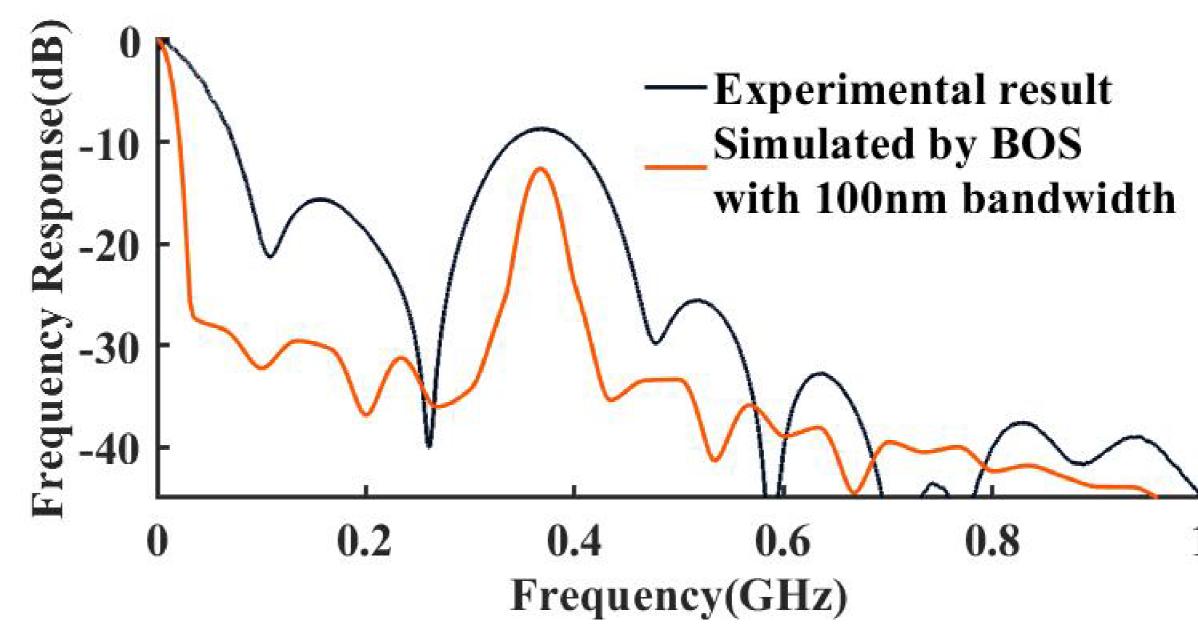


Figure 6. The frequency response of the proposed MPF.

- The frequency response of MPF are obtained in experiment and from the simulation with 100nm bandwidth.
- The MPF based on BOS sliced by SFS structure is proposed.
- It has the advantage of resisting external disturbances.
- Theoretical analysis shows the filter has similar distribution to the spatial frequency spectrum of SFS.
- Experimental results show that the performance of MPF is also limited by the quality of the spectrum emitted by BOS and Amplifier.

CONCLUSIONS