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## An all circular waveguide four-way power combiner with ultra high power capacity and high combination efficiency

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Abstract: The two-way power combiner consisting of two TM01-TE11 serpentine mode converters with a common output has demonstrated high power capacity and high combination efficiency for two phase-locked relativistic backward wave oscillators (RBWOs) [1]. To realize channel power combination for four phase-locked X-band RBWOs, we propose an all circular waveguide four-way power combiner based on the previous twoway power combiner. Four TM01 modes are first combined into two TE11 modes, then through two separate 90° bending waveguide and the radius enhanced transition waveguides, the two TE11 modes is combined into one TE11 mode. The transmission efficiencies of 90° bending waveguide and radius enhanced transition waveguides, and the combination efficiency of the two TE11 modes into one TE11 mode are larger than 99%. The maximum electric field is less than 750 kV/cm as the power in the common output port is 10 GW, and the total combination efficiency is more than 90%.

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