

# Design of Passive Integrated Photonic Components for Optical Coupling and Polarization Handling

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## Short description:

Photonic Integrated Circuits integrate a large number of photonic components and functions onto a single chip, providing numerous benefits such as scalability, enhanced performance, improved reliability, seamless co-integration with electronics, and reduced costs compared to discrete component solutions. In our contribution, we will present the design and experimental results of passive components for coupling and splitting optical signals as well as components that tackle the polarization dependency of integrated waveguides. These components serve as basic building blocks for more complex components such as wavelength filters, light sources, modulators, etc. that are utilized in applications ranging from telecommunications to quantum communications and computing.

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