# Mathematical analysis of non-self-adjoint eigenvalue problem for the bent waveguides 

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Ref: P. Joly and C. Poirier, Mathematical analysis of electromagnetic open waveguides,

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for $\psi=E_{y}$ or $\psi=H_{y}$.
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Non-self-adjoint problem $\xrightarrow{R}$ Self-adjoint problem
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