Defected Ground Structure Based Two Element Microstrip Antenna Array with Reduced Mutual Coupling

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Abstract-- In this paper two element microstrip antenna array with dumbbell shaped defected ground structure (DGS) is on reduction of mutual coupling is presented. The proposed of DGS antenna is simulated by an soft HFSS simulation software. This work is obtain a miniaturized microstrip patch antenna array using DGS for S Band is 2.2GHz. Initially the patch antenna array is designed at C band resonates at 5.2 GHz and the proposed of DGS is integrated in the ground plane of patch antenna for size reduction and this miniaturization is at cost of gain antenna and in order to improve the gain of miniaturized radiator. Patch radiator is further modified to radiation properties, so finally the resonance frequency of an initial microstrip antenna array shifts to 3.75 GHz to 7.15 GHz with the gain of 2.92 dB and its miniaturization performance is up to 63% and its conventional microstrip is successfully accomplished. The prototype antenna is fabricated with the FR-4 substrate and this technique is validate experimentally and measured results with good agreement as resulted some results.

Key Words --- Microstrip Patch Antenna Array, DGS (Defected Ground Structure), Miniaturization.

1. INTRODUCTION

In some applications the single element array antenna are unable to meet the radiation pattern or gain of the given requirements and combining a several single antenna elements are in array can give a possible solution. The patch is typically wider than the strip of its shape and dimensions of the antenna because of the simplicity and compatibility of printed circuit technology. It is wide range of microwave applications of satellite and mobile communication. The basic antenna suffers its electrical performance of number of serious drawbacks and it’s include very narrow bandwidth, low gain and the excitation of surface waves [2 .5]. The past years, a lot of research has been undertaken to overcome the disadvantages associated with the antennas. The proposed antenna has popular research techniques by researchers to enhance the bandwidth of the antenna should increase the substrate thickness using low dielectric material. By varying incorporating various impedance matching and feeding elements have multi resonators, multi-slot hole coupling using planar parasitic elements etc. The alternate factor which has important factor and its disadvantage its performance of gain of antenna it shows directional property of antenna by enlarging the single element of antenna it leads to more directive array antenna .Its many applications shows the design of antenna with directive gain for its meet a condition of long distance communication the alternative source of the single element its enlarge the length of dimension of antenna without necessarily increased its size of individual single element .It is in the form of assembly of radiating elements in an electrical and geometrical configurations these antenna has be different formed by multi elements and its referred array by is communication system by its enhance the performance of the antenna like gain, directivity scanning the beam of the antenna a very useful and some other functions. Some are difficult at single antenna which tends to performance of such antenna tends to drop due to the strong mutual interaction between the antenna elements and therefore the microstrip antenna design has mutual coupling between radiating elements is an important factor has to be considered the miniaturization of antenna has become more and more important due to the increasing demand for small antenna as the rapid development in wireless communication. They are many efforts have been made in order to achieve the size of reduction like using Planar Inverted F Antenna structure (PIFA) or that is using as dielectric substrate of high permittivity, DMS (Defected Microstrip Structure)and DGS are combination of them. for different applications of microstrip patch antenna is employed with DGS has instance, cross polarization, mutual coupling reduction in antenna arrays and harmonic suppression over the DGS it widely used in the development of miniaturized antennas.

2 Antenna array radiation pattern and array factor

The antenna elements can be arranged in one or two dimensional antenna array. The one dimensional antenna array can be very simplicity they exhibits a specific radiation pattern changes for several antenna elements that are combined in array it is called array factor .By this array factor, the radiation pattern has overall it determined as array factor in the antenna element and over all radiation pattern results are in directivity and gain has linked through efficiency with in directivity and gain are equal efficiency is 100%.

2. DESIGN OF TWO ELEMENT DGS ARRAY ANTENNA

The structure of two element array as shown in fig. the elements is composed of patch, ground plane, substrate and the feeding line the performance of array patch antenna depends on their frequency, radiation efficiency, directivity, gain, return loss and some other parameters. The designed of microstrip patch antenna was width, length, of their mathematical expressions.

Where \( r_t = 3 \times 10^6 \), \( k = 4.4 \), \( f = 3.75 \text{ GHz} \) Width of the patch is given by

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Length of the patch is given by
\[ L = \frac{c}{2f_r \sqrt{\varepsilon_{eff}}} - 2\Delta l \]  
(2)

Effective Dielectric Constant (\(\varepsilon_r\)) is:
\[ \varepsilon_{eff} = \frac{\varepsilon_r - \frac{1}{2}}{\varepsilon_r + \frac{1}{2}} (1 + 12\varepsilon_r) \]
and \(\Delta l\) can be given as
\[ \Delta l = 0.412h \left( \frac{0.262h + \frac{w}{\varepsilon_{eff} + 0.3}}{0.813h + \frac{w}{\varepsilon_{eff} + 0.28}} \right) \]  
(3)

Microstrip Patch Length can be calculated
\[ L_p = \frac{0.42c}{f_r \sqrt{\varepsilon_{eff}}} \]  
(4)

The Ground Plane width can be calculated
\[ W_g = \frac{1.38c}{f_r \sqrt{\varepsilon_{eff}}} \]  
(5)

The Ground Plane Length can be calculated
\[ L_g = \frac{0.36c}{f_r \sqrt{\varepsilon_{eff}}} \]  
(6)

Resonant frequency is
\[ f_r = \frac{3 + \frac{2}{\varepsilon_{eff}} \left[ \frac{21}{L_x} + \frac{65}{W_g} + \frac{18}{L_g} - 3 \right]}{L_x} \]  
(7)

3. SIMULATION OF TWO ELEMENT DGS ARRAY ANTENNA

Antenna Simulation Using HFSS

The microstrip patch antenna was designed by using HFSS simulator and performance of antenna has studied and observed. Comparing the return loss, VSWR and gain. The two element array is simulated by HFSS and the design of corresponding figure 1 & 2 as shown in below the return loss, VSWR and gain results are observed at 3.75GHz.

4. RESULTS

i) Simulation Results

1) Return Loss

The Return Loss of microstrip patch antenna of two element antenna array is as shown in figure 3 and from this figure it is observed that the return loss as -22.74dB at 3.75GHz and -10.19dB at 7.15GHz.

Fig. 3: Return Loss for microstrip patch two elements antenna array

2) VSWR

The impedance of the VSWR is to measure the between transmitter of the antenna. The simulations results of the microstrip patch antenna with -E-shape DGS as shown in fig 4. The values are observed by practical VSWR at 3.75GHz is 1.15 at 7.15 GHz is 1.89 and at range below -10dB and return loss is also below VSWR=2.

Fig. 4: VSWR for microstrip patch two elements antenna array

3) 3-D Gain

The two element antenna array was designed by HFSS and gain is nothing but the power transmitted per unit solid angle. As shown in fig.5 the gain is observed in 2.92dB. For much application the gain of antenna is should be more than 3dB.
4) Radiation Pattern

It defines the variations of the power radiated by the antenna in the function of direction away from the antenna. Far filled antenna can be observed in the function of poor variation in arrival angle. The radiation pattern of two element array can be observed in the fig. 6.

5. SMITH CHART

The smith chart is a tool which it represents for solving radio frequency transmission line problems. The value of reflection coefficient is 0 and that VSWR is 1 in the unmatched impedance condition therefore all the transmission lines problems are to be match the impedance line of the total load. The polar plot of the reflection coefficient K can be expressed in the form of normalized impedance. The smith chart for two element antenna array is observed at figure 7.

6. POLARIZATIONS

Polarization of two element antenna array is observed in figure 8 and 9.

7. CURRENT DISTRIBUTIONS & RESULTS

Current distribution of front and back view of two element antenna array is observed in the figure 10 and 11.
ii) Measured Results

The 2 element array DGS antenna is met at practical applicable antenna by the all requirements of fabricated to 4 element array by the DGS antenna. Two element DGS array antenna this antenna can be observed and tested in Vector Network Analyzer (E5071C) as shown in figure 12.

Fig. 11: The current distribution of back view of two elements antenna array

Fig. 12: The experimental setup loss for two element DGS array antenna

1) Return Loss

The Return Loss for two element DGS array antenna is observed in the figure 13.

Fig. 13: The measured return loss for two element DGS array antenna

2) VSWR

VSWR for the two element array antenna is shown in figure 14.

Fig. 14: The measured SWR for two element DGS array antenna

3) Smith Chart

The smith chart for two element DGS array antenna is observed in figure 15.

Fig. 15: The smith chart for two element DGS array antenna

Comparison between Simulation and Measured results 2-element and 4-element DGS Array Antennas

Table 1: Comparison Between 2-element And 4-element DGS Array Antennas.

| Parameter       | Frequency of operation (GHz) | Return loss(dB) | VSWR | Gain(dB) |
|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------|------|----------|
| 2-Element       | 3.75                         | -22.74          | 1.15 | 2.92     |
| (Simulation)    | 7.15                         | -10.19          | 1.89 |          |
| 2-Element       | 3.70                         | -30.45          | 1.07 |          |
| (Measured)      | 7.08                         | -33.63          | 1.66 |          |

8. CONCLUSIONS

The design of the work carried out in a miniaturized microstrip patch antenna array with the DGS. The resonance frequency of the initial stage antenna has 5.7GHz and its is passed and shifted to 3.75GHz and after introducing the DGS.
The design of the antenna it reduces to 50% as compared to conventional band uses and perform better under condition of Ku-band and Ka band frequency the initiated miniaturization procedure was typical rectangular patch antenna is shaped with array antenna by switch of DGS and gives a reduction of 79% and its resonance frequency initial antenna without DGS has been shifted to 5.2 GHz to 4.05GHz resonating at 1.32dB

The miniaturization procedure initiated with a typical rectangular patch shaped array antenna with DGS gives a size reduction up to 79% as the resonance frequency of the initial antenna without DGS has been shifted from 5.2 GHz to 2.4 GHz resonating at -17.86 dB with the gain of 1.94 dB and 100 MHz bandwidth. To achieve antenna without much degradation of the performance of the antenna miniaturization without much degradation of antenna performance, further the patch radiator is modified keeping the physical volume of the antenna constant with the same DGS structure to retain its radiation properties which gives a size reduction up to 83% as the resonance frequency of the initial antenna without DGS has been shifted from 5.2 GHz to 2.2 GHz resonating at -32.26 dB with the measured gain of 4.14 dB and 120 GHz bandwidth. In this way we have been able to reduce the maximum antenna size up to 83% as compared to conventional.

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