

Mutual Coupling Reduction In Microstrip Patch Antenna Arrays Using Simple Microstrip Resonator

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Abstract

In this paper a novel ladder resonator is introduced to decrease mutual coupling effect between two microstrip patch antennas. Applied patch antennas are operating at 2.45 GHz frequency (ISM band), which specially used for multiple-input-multiple-output (MIMO) systems. The edge-to-edge distance between two microstrip patch antennas is $0.05\,\lambda$. The proposed ladder resonator impressively blocks the surface current between two patch antennas at the operating frequency, which results in mutual effect reduction. The proposed configuration has been fabricated and tested. Scattering parameters with and without of proposed resonator has been investigated. The results show that, the proposed configuration increases isolation between two microstrip patch antennas about 42dB.

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Figures

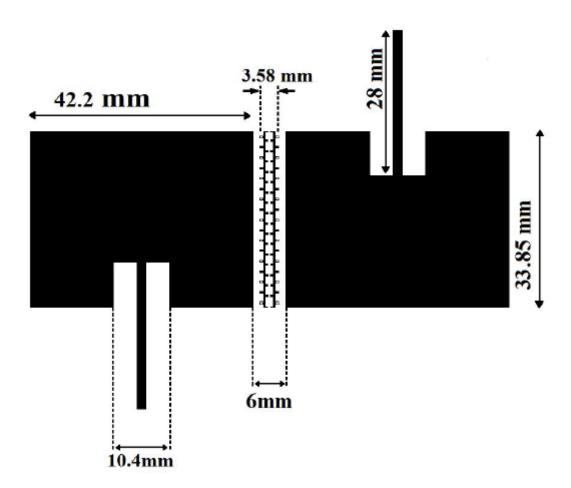


Figure 1

The layout of two patch antennas with proposed resonator.

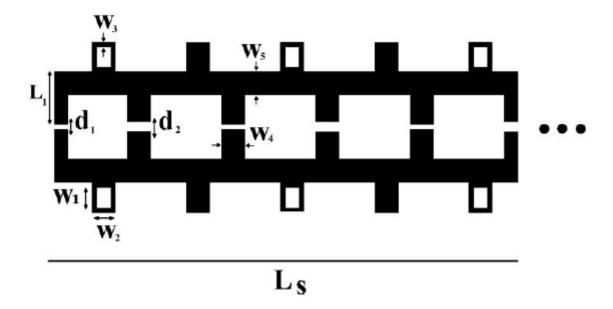


Figure 2

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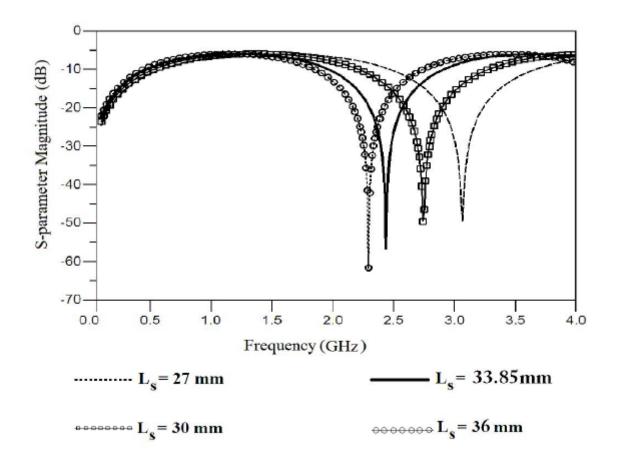
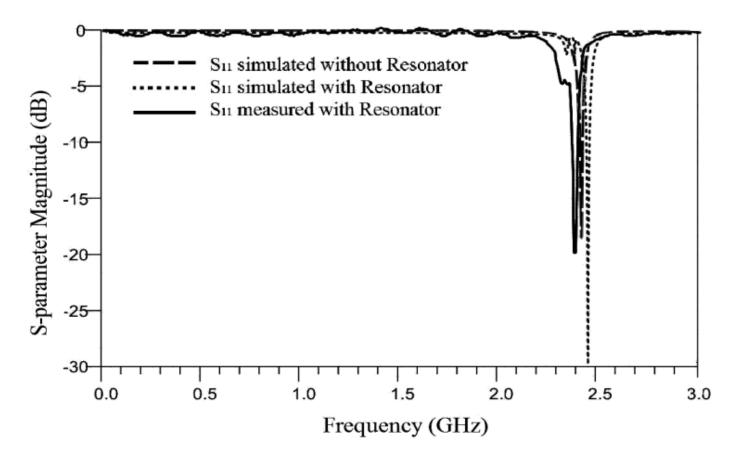


Figure 3

S-parameter characteristics of the proposed ladder resonator for varied length of Ls ranging from 27 to 36 mm.



Measured and Simulated S11 parameter of two patch antennas array without and with proposed ladder resonator.

Figure 4

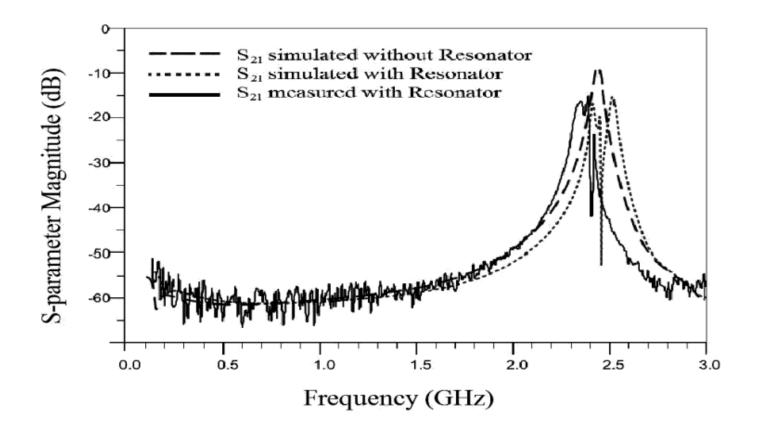


Figure 5

Measured and Simulated S21 parameter of two patch antennas array without and with proposed ladder resonator.

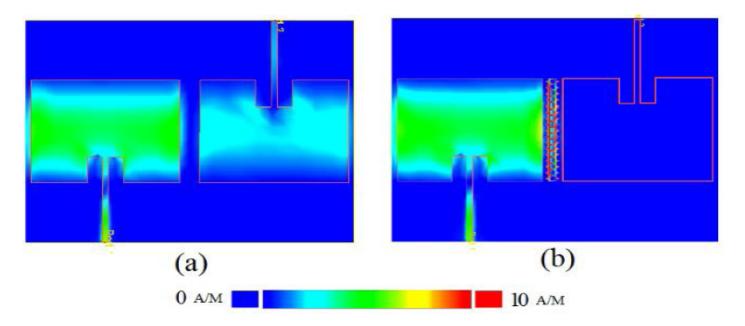
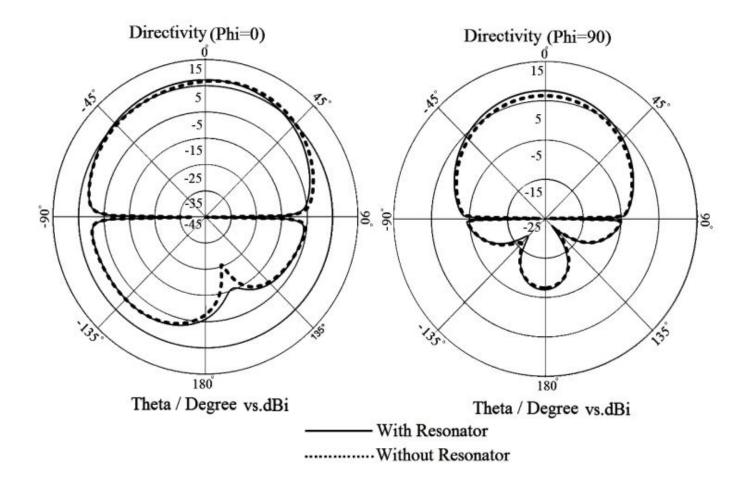


Figure 6

Surface current distribution in entire configuration (a) without and (b) with proposed ladder resonator.



Radiation characteristics of the proposed structure with and without ladder resonator.

Figure 7

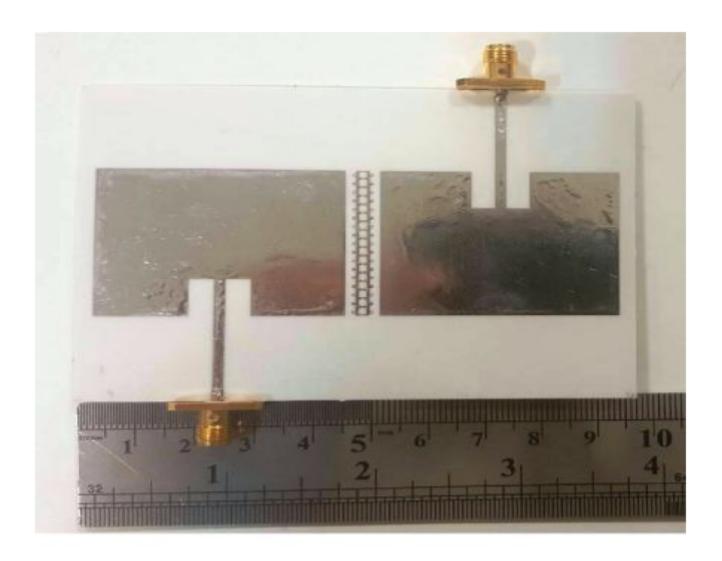


Figure 8

Fabricated prototype.