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Design of a Miniature Folded Patch Antenna for Multiband Application

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ABSTRACT: Wireless communications have developed greatly and demand for designing low profile antennas has grown. A miniature folded square patch antenna forGlobal Positioning System(GPS) application is considered. In this four different lengths of meander strips connected to the four edges of the square patch of a single coaxial-feed square patch antenna are folded to obtain a circularly polarized antenna. It is proposed to design a miniature folded antenna for Multi Band system in a single structure with bandwidth enhancement.PIFA (Planar Inverted-F Antenna) have the attractive features of low profile, small size, low cost, and conformability to mounting hosts. The proposed antenna has small in size and operates at 1.57GHz, 2.26GHz, 3.8GHz and 1.3 GHz suitable for GPS, Mobile Satellite Service (MSS) network, Wi-Max, Radar applications.

KEYWORDS: Global Positioning System, Mobile Satellite Service, Wi-Max, Planar Inverted-F Antenna.

I. INTRODUCTION

The Global Positioning System (GPS) is a space-based navigation system that provides location and time information in all weather conditions, anywhere on or near the Earth where there is an unobstructed line of sight to four or more GPS satellites. A GPS receiver monitors multiple satellites and solves equations to determine the exact position of the receiver and its deviation from true time. Circularly polarized patch antennas are widely used in mobile satellite communication systems, radio-frequency identification systems, global positioning systems (GPS) and most vehicle communication devices. In order to obtain the right-handed circular polarization four different lengths of meander strips connected to the four edges of the square patch of a single coaxial-feed square patch antenna are folded to obtain a circularly polarized antenna.Properly positioning the coaxial feed on the square patch excites two orthogonal resonant modes with a 90 phase difference and achieves a pure circular polarization at a GPS frequency of 1.575 GHz. It is proposed to design Multi Band system in a single folded PIFA structure with bandwidth enhancement on a FR4 substrate.The proposed antenna has small in size and operates at 1.57GHz, 2.26GHz, 3.8GHz and 4.3 GHz suitable for GPS, Mobile Satellite Service (MSS) network, Wi-Max, Radar applications.

II. RELATED WORKS

In [2], author have described, compact X-shaped slotted square-patch antenna is proposed for circularly polarized (CP) radiation. A cross-strip is embedded along the X-shaped slot for a novel proximity-fed technique to produce CP radiation.In [3],[11],[12] several methods have been proposed for designing antenna for GPS application. In [4],author has defined aboutDual-Band Patch Antenna Using Frequency Selective Surface for Satellite Communication System (MSS).Anetworks of communications satellites intended for use with mobile and portable wireless telephones called the Mobile satellite services (MSS).Multiband antennas can be designed to support two, three and sometimes four applications simultaneously [5],[7],[9].In[6], author have describedRadio altimeter working in the band of 4.2GHz to 4.4GHz and receiving frequency is differed from transmitted signal at rate of 40Hz per foot.In [8], [13] authors have mentioned about multiband PIFA structure for wireless communication.



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III. EXISTING SYSTEM

In [1], the GPS antenna is printed on two layers of the first FR4 substrate (thickness, 1.6 mm); relative permittivity, 4.4).



Fig.1. Geometry of the circularly polarized folded patch antenna: top view

Fig. 2 (a) shows a cross slotted square patch with dimension etched on layer 1 and connected to layer 2 by four via holes (points P, Q, R and S) at the four edges of the square patch. Each arm of the cross-slot etched on the square patch is of length and width and can be tuned for impedance matching. Fig. 2 (b) shows that layer 2 of the first substrate is printed on four types of meander strip to extend the effective resonant length.



Fig.2 (a).Slotted patch of layer 1 (b) Meander strip of layer

A cross slotted square patch with dimension etched on layer 1 and connected to layer 2 by four via holes at the four edges of the square patch Layer 2 of the first substrate is printed on four types of meander strip to extend the effective resonant length. The front-ends of the strips are individually connected to the four via holes with short wires. The same FR4 substrate (thickness, 1.6 mm) but without copper layers is attached to the bottom of the first FR4 substrate. The bottom substrate, which acts as a ground plane, is circular (radius 50mm; thickness1.6 mm) and only has a copper layer. Excitation of the antenna is provided by a single coaxial probe located at and on the orthogonal sides of the square patch.TABLE I shows the optimal parameter value of the GPS antenna

TABLE I OPTIMAL PARAMETER VALUE OF THE GPS ANTENNA

parameters	Value(mm)	parameters	Value(mm)
W	15	L_1	4.5
<i>w</i> ₁	3	L_2	5.2
<i>W</i> ₂	1	L ₃	4
D ₁	2	L_4	5.5
D_2	3.2	L_5	5.5
D ₃₁	1.5	L_6	3
h_1	1.6	h_2	3.2



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IV. PROPOSED SYSTEM

It is proposed to design a single structure miniature multi band folded patch antenna for various frequencies. Fig.3. shows the Proposed Folded Multi Band PIFA Antenna.Planar inverted-F antenna (PIFA) is a type of patch antenna. Multiband PIFAs can be used to combine the antennae feeds for mobile phone, satellite navigation.Mobile satellite services (MSS) refers to networks of communications satellites intended for use with mobile and portable wireless telephones. MSS repeaters can be placed on geostationary, medium earth orbit (MEO), or low earth orbit (LEO) satellites.Provided there are enough satellites in the system, and provided they are properly spaced around the globe, an MSS can link any two wireless telephone sets at any time, no matter where in the world they are located.

Wi-MAX is a family of wirelesscommunications standards initially designed to provide 30 to 40 mbps data rates. International Telecommunication Union's (ITU) defines radio altimeter is a navigation equipment, on board an aircraft or spacecraft, used to determine the height of the aircraft or the spacecraft above the Earth's surface or another surface Radionavigation equipment shall be classified by theradiocommunication service in which it operates permanently or temporarily. For the proposed structureFR4 substrate (thickness, 1.6 mm) of relative permittivity, 4.4) is chosen.TABLE II shows the optimal parameter value of the proposed antenna.



Fig.3. Proposed Folded Multi Band PIFA Antenna



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TABLE II OPTIMAL PARAMETER VALUE OF THE PROPOSED ANTENNA

Antenna Parameters	value
a	1mm
b	9.46mm
с	17.33mm
d	9mm
e	1.38mm
f	4.1mm
g	3.96mm
h	5.28mm
1	25mm

V. SIMULATION RESULTS

A. Existing System

This section describes the simulated results of existing system. The simulated result is carried out by the help of HFSS. The simulated *S*-parameters of the folded square patch antenna for GPS application are shown in Fig. 4.



For this resonant frequencies are 1.455 GHz , 1.575GHz and 1.66GHz with return losses are -47dB,-22dB and -16.5dB respectively. Fig. 5 shows the simulated radiation pattern (for $\theta = 0$ and 90°).



Fig.5. Simulated radiation pattern for radiation pattern



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B. Proposed System

This section describes the simulated results of Proposed Multi Band (MB) Antenna Structure. The simulated result is carried out by the help of HFSS. The simulated return loss for MBstructure is shown in Fig. 6. TABLE III shows values of return loss for different resonant frequencies.



TABLE III RETURN LOSS VALUES

Resonating Frequency (GHz)	Return Loss (dB)
1.57	-16.5
2.26	-14.5
3.8	-13.5
4.3	-10

Fig.7 shows the Voltage Standing Wave Ratio (VSWR) vs. frequency plot of dual-band antenna. The desired value of a VSWR is ≤ 2 .





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Fig.8 and Fig.9shows the simulated radiation pattern (for $\theta = 0$ and 90°) for the resonating frequencies 1.57GHz and 2.26GHz respectively.



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Curve Info	
rETotal Setup1 : Sw eep Freq='1.57GHz' Phi='0deg'	
rETotal Setup1 : Sw eep Freq='1.57GHz' Phi='90deg'	

Fig.8.Simulated radiation pattern for radiation pattern for frequency 1.57GHz





Fig.9. Simulated radiation pattern for radiation pattern for frequency 2.26GHz

Fig.10 and Fig.11 shows the simulated radiation pattern (for $\theta = 0$ and 90°) for the resonating frequencies, 3.8GHz and 4.3 GHz respectively.



Fig.10. Simulated radiation pattern for radiation pattern for frequency 3.8 GHz



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Fig.11. Simulated radiation pattern for radiation pattern for frequency 4.3GHz

Fig.12 resembles the current distribution of the proposed antenna for the resonating frequencies1.57GHz, 2.26GHz, 3.8GHz and 4.3 GHz respectively



Fig.12. Current distribution for the resonating frequencies 1.57GHz, 2.26GHz, 3.8GHz and 4.3 GHz



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VI. CONCLUSION

There exists the trend in the development of wireless communication systems in a single system. In many applications, operation in two or more discrete bands is desired, so a single structured miniature multi band folded patch antenna for frequencies 1.57GHz, 2.26GHz, 3.8GHz and 4.3 GHz is designed. The simulated results obtained from HFSS.

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