

Design and Simulation of E Slotted Square Shape Micro-Strip Patch Antenna for RFID Application

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Abstract : Communication between human's was first by sound through voice. With the desire for slightly more distance communication came, instruments such as drums, then, visual methods such as signal flags and fire signals were used. These optical communication devices, of course, utilized the visible light portion of the electromagnetic spectrum. It has only very recent in the history of the humankind that the electromagnetic spectrum, outside the visible region, has been employed for communication, through the use of radio. One of humankind's greatest natural resources is the electromagnetic spectrum and the antenna has been contributory in harnessing this resource. A Micro Strip Patch is three layer structures which consist of a radiating patch on one side of a dielectric substrate and has a ground plane on the other side. This paper provides a detailed study of how to design and simulate coaxial -feed Micro strip Patch Antenna using IE3D software. In this paper we presents a proposed design and simulation of E slotted square shape micro strip patch antenna for RFID application which can be used for wireless communication such as RFID application. The radiating patch is square E slotted. The advantages of this is bandwidth enhancement, smaller in size, simple structure, low in cost and easy to be fabricated. In this paper, method of moments based IE3D software is used to design and simulate a E slotted Square Shape Micro strip Patch Antenna with better return loss, VSWR and enhanced bandwidth. Using proposed antenna design and coaxial feeding at proper position we find the resultant return loss, VSWR and enhance bandwidth. We are using IE3D software for designing and analysis. We have observed that using slotted patch antenna and using coaxial feed at proper location we can get better return loss, VSWR and wide bandwidth.

Keywords- Slotted E shaped Rectangular micro-strip patch antenna, return loss, VSWR, radiation pattern, wide bandwidth.

1. Introduction:-

Antenna is a key building in wireless communication and global positioning system (GPS) since it was first demonstrate in 1886 by Heinrich Hertz and its practical application by Guglielmo Marconi in 1901 [1]. Future trend in communication design is towards compact devices. Low cost of fabrication and low profile features attract many researches to investigate the performance of a micro-strip patch antenna in various ways.

Micro-strip antenna was first proposed by G.A. Deschamps in 1953. Micro-strip patch antennas are often used where thickness and conformability to the host surfaces are the key requirements. Since patch antennas can be directly printed onto a circuit board, these are becoming increasingly popular within the mobile phone market. They are low cost, have a low profile and are easily fabricated. One of the key drawbacks of such device is their narrow bandwidth [2]. Micro-strip patch antenna is widely considered to be suitable for many wireless applications, even though it usually has a narrow bandwidth [3]. The bandwidth limitation can be addressed by using thick substrates, cutting slots in the metallic patch, using aperture coupled stacked patch antenna [2]. The stacked patch antenna have multilayer structure consisting of several parasitic radiating elements placed one above the other and above the driven element [4]. However this approach has the inherent disadvantage of increased overall thickness and issues related on aligning various precisely. In this paper we design a rectangular micro-strip patch antenna in which a U shaped and rectangular shaped slots are cut. By cutting a slot in micro-strip patch enhance its bandwidth.

2. Antenna Design:-

The proposed antenna design by cutting a E shape and two rectangular shape slots in square patch as shown in fig. (1). Cutting of these slots in antenna increases the current path which increases current intensity as a result efficiency is increased. First a square micro-strip patch antenna is designed based on standard design procedure to determine the length (L) and width (W) for resonant frequency. The resonant frequency of micro-strip antenna and the size of the radiation patch can be similar to the following formulas [6].

$$f = \frac{c}{2L\sqrt{\epsilon}} \quad (1)$$

$$W = \frac{c}{2f} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\epsilon+1}} \quad (2)$$

$$L = \frac{c}{2f\sqrt{\epsilon}} - 2\Delta L \quad (3)$$

Where f is the resonant frequency of the antenna, C is the free space velocity of the light, L is the actual length of the current, ϵ is the effective dielectric constant of the substrate and ΔL is the length of equivalent radiation gap. The dimension of the

patchare $L=25\text{mm}$ and $W=25\text{mm}$. Inside this square patch aE shaped and two rectangular shaped slots are cut. The antenna is fabricated on a substrate of dielectric constant 4.4 and thickness $h=3.2\text{mm}$. The coaxial feeding is used for better results.

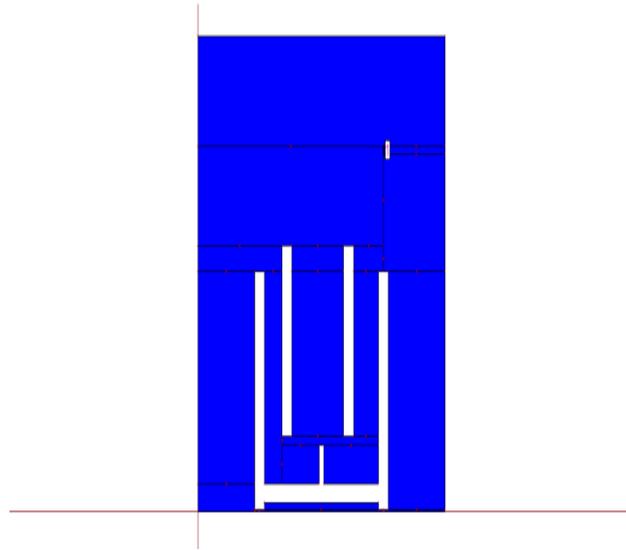


Figure (1): Proposed E slotted Square Shape Micro-strip Patch Antenna

3. Antenna Result:-

The simulation of micro-strip patch antenna is done by using IE3D simulation software. The variation of return loss with frequency of square patch antenna with E shape and two rectangular shaped slots is shown in figure (2). The return loss is defined as the ratio of the Fourier transform of the incident pulse and the reflected signal. It is an important parameter to reckon with [2]. The VSWR graph for aE shape and two rectangular shaped slotted square patch antenna is shown in figure (3). The VSWR indicates the mismatch between the antenna and the transmission line. For perfect matching the VSWR value should be close to unity. The simulation impedance bandwidth for the E shape and two rectangular shaped slot loaded square micro-strip patch antenna as shown in fig. (1) is 200 MHz and it is about 8.55% for the frequency range of 2.30 GHz to 2.50 GHz and for the frequency range of 2.78 GHz to 2.87 GHz it is 90 MHz and it is about 3.19%. The bandwidth is calculated at the frequency range where the return loss is approximately below the -10dB and the best return loss (S_{11}) is -33.62 dB at 2.34GHz and -27.41 dB at 2.82 GHz. The bandwidth is calculated at the frequency range where the return loss is approximately below the -10dB. The simulated radiation pattern in 2D are shown in figure (4), the Smith chart is shown in figure (5), radiation pattern in 3D is shown in figure (6) and the current distribution for the Proposed E slotted Square Shape Micro-strip Patch Antenna is shown in fig(7).

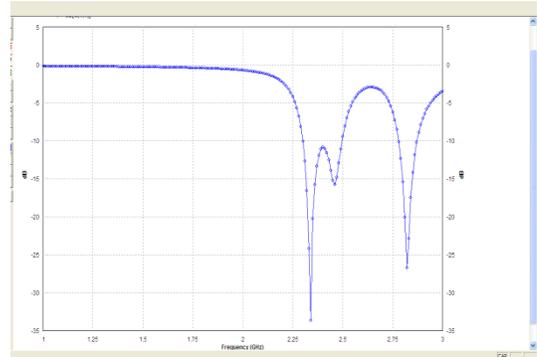


Figure (2): Return loss of the Proposed E slotted Square Shape Micro-strip Patch Antenna

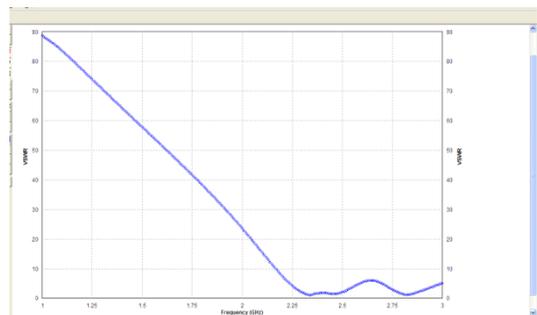


Figure (3): VSWR of the Proposed E slotted Square Shape Micro-strip Patch Antenna



Figure (4): Radiation pattern in 2D of the Proposed E slotted Square Shape Micro-strip Patch Antenna

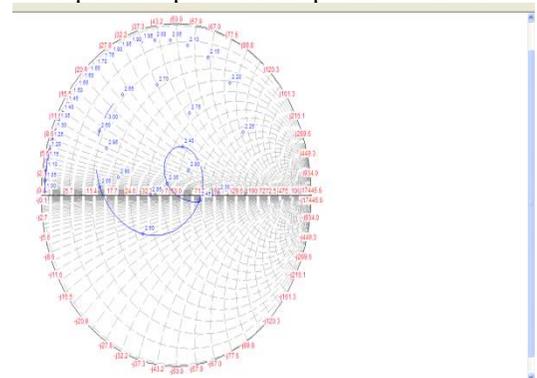


Figure (5): Smith chart of the Proposed E slotted Square Shape Micro-strip Patch Antenna

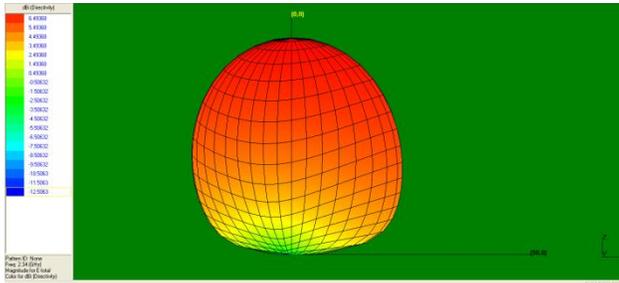


Figure (6): Radiation pattern in 3D of the Proposed E slotted Square Shape Micro-strip Patch Antenna

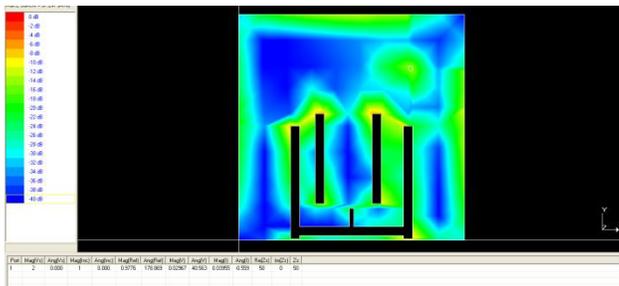


Figure (7): Current distribution of the Proposed E slotted Square Shape Micro-strip Patch Antenna

4. Conclusion:-

It is observed that a coaxial feed, E slotted Square Shape Micro-strip Patch Antenna is presented. The proposed antenna has a compact size of (25 x 25 x3.2) and it can effectively covers the RFID,WiMax and WLAN application and it can also use other wireless communication system.

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