Square Microstrip Antenna with Dual Probe for Dual Polarization in ISM Band

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Abstract: This paper presents the design of antenna operating in ISM band at 2.4 GHz. The designed square patch antenna is dual polarized with two rectangle shaped slot inserted on the patch. The FR4 dielectric material is used for the antenna consist of Dual probe feed with ground plane. HFSS software is used for the simulation which shows the result for isolation as 28 dB, antenna gain of 5.96 dB and bandwidth 222 MHz.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Due to well known characteristic Microstrip Antenna have been used successfully in many application. Innovative configurations with very flexible performances have been finding increase in use in new telecommunication services mainly in the wireless market \cite{1}. According to standard of IEEE for WLAN the networks works at the frequency of 2.4 GHz. Usually, the wireless communication systems are often faced with many problems of multiple path fading. Recently, research work has focused on frequency reuse and polarization diversity involving the use of two orthogonal polarizations \cite{2}. This allows communication systems to be able to send and receive signal with more alternative polarization. The polarization diversity antenna is composed of two monopole antenna radiating with different orthogonal polarizations operating at same frequency \cite{3}. In this paper design of linearly polarized square patch with dual feed is proposed \cite{4}. Dual Feed excites two orthogonal field components with equal amplitudes but a 90\textdegree phase difference.

II. ANTENNA STRUCTURE

Microstrip patch antenna consists of a radiating patch on one side of a FR4 which has an air gap, ground plane on the other side as shown in fig. 1. The patch is square shaped made up of conducting material copper. The radiating patch having two rectangles. Glass epoxy (FR4) of dielectric constant of 4.4 and loss tangent of 0.002 is used as dielectric material.

III. ANTENNA DESIGN AND RESULTS

Antenna is designed to operate at 2.4 GHz which is an ISM band. The radiating patch is square shaped so; it’s having same length and width. Square patch antenna is designed using following equation \cite{5}:

Width of patch:
\[
W = \frac{c_s}{2 f r \sqrt{\varepsilon_{\text{eff}}}} - \frac{2(h_d + h_a)}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_{\text{av}}}}
\]  
\text{(1)}

Effective Dielectric constant:
Fig. 2 shows the simulated return loss and isolation of the antenna versus the frequencies in the 1.8 - 3 GHz frequency range for the probe distances D. The isolation has a maximum value of 28 dB at the frequency of 2.25 GHz with return loss of 22 dB at resonant frequency of 2.44 GHz. The air gap provides a 222 MHz bandwidth, at 10 dB return loss.

\[ \varepsilon_{eff} = \frac{\varepsilon_{ar} + 1}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon_{ar} - 1}{2 \sqrt{1 + \frac{16 \alpha D}{\lambda}}} \]  

(2)

Fig. 3 shows the VSWR of antenna which is 1.33.

Fig. 4, 5 shows the radiation pattern of E and H plane respectively, with 5.96 dB gain.

Figure 1: Return loss and isolations of the antenna

Figure 3: VSWR

Figure 4: Radiation pattern excitation at 2.4GHz E plane
Figure 5: Radiation pattern excitation at 2.4GHz H plane

IV. CONCLUSION

A dual-polarized microstrip antenna with high isolation is simulated. The high isolation is achieved by inserting rectangular slots into the radiating patch. Simulated results show that the antenna has 28 dB isolation with the moderate antenna gain of 5.96 dB.

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