

Design of Dual-band Inverted Ladder shaped patch antenna for 5GmmWave Mobile, Satellite&Radar Applications

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, the design of compact microstrip patch antenna for the 5G mm Wave wireless communication is proposed. The $5 \times 4.8 \times 0.508$ mm³ sized antenna is made of Rogers RT/duriod 5880 (tm) dielectric material and is fed via a 50- Ω microstrip feedline. Two rectangular slots were etched beside the feed line and inverted ladder shaped slots were placed on the radiating patch to create first resonance at 28.2 GHz band from 27.5 - 28.5 GHz for Mobile applications (28/32.5/38 GHz) and second resonance at 54.7 GHz band from 52.78-56.85 GHz for Satellite & Radar communications (40-75 GHz for V-band). The Return loss (S11) for the first band & second bands are the -22 dB and -14.5 dB and VSWR of less than 2 indicate that the designed bands have strong impedance matching capabilities. The peak gain of 7.50 dBi at 28.2 GHz and 8.0 dBi at 54.7 GHz are attained and sustained omnidirectional radiation characters are achieved. The results demonstrate that the proposed antenna is appropriate for next generation wireless applications.

Key Words: Microstrip line feed, Dual band, Fifth-generation, Mobile, Satellite & Radar

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I. INTRODUCTION

Over the years, the incredible growth of wireless devices has brought significant improvements in putting forth advanced standards for communication networks. 4G LTE has combined several commercial services efficiently within a currently deployed network capacity to meet the demands of high-throughput, high data rates and also offers high-speed connectivity at the user end [1]. The current mobile communications spectrum at low frequency would be

able to keep up with the rapid growth in the communication industry soon [2]. Since the upcoming Fifth Generation (5G) will be five times faster than the present Fourth Generation (4G). It will have extremely high data rate, large bandwidth, high capacity, high speed and low latency [3]. 5G technology is an incredible advancement in wireless connectivity that enables faster and more secure networks for billions of connected devices with "zero" latency user experiences (delay less than 1ms) and introduces emerging services including e-Health, smart education, smart cities, smart homes, virtual reality (VR), smart factories, and the Internet of Vehicles (IoV), transforming our lives, society, and industries [4]. To enable the 5G, FCC divided the key spectrum into low-band (up to

1 GHz), mid-band (sub-6 GHz), and high-band (mm Wave) [5]. On the other hand, the sub-6 GHz technology uses the power amplifiers, switches, filters, and discrete antennas separately. This leads to large space as the matching circuits between components are usually required to avoid the reflection. The insertion loss is also high because the connectors consume extra losses [6].

The 5G NR radio standards such as n77 from 3.3 GHz to 4.2 GHz, n78 at 3.3 GHz to 3.8 GHz, n79 from 4.4 GHz to 5.0 GHz and Millimeter wave (mm Wave) bands (>24 GHz). Printed antennas (or) microstrip patch antennas are the most significant antennas due to its planar surface. There are various microstrip antenna types and the mostly used antennas are the rectangle and square microstrip patch antenna. Such antenna types are used in a wide-ranging application i.e., airplane, satellite broadcasting, arms, mobile phones and in medical systems, because of some important features such as lightweight with low profile (conformal), easy to fabricate, simple feeding (m-line), aperture coupled feed etc., easy to use in an array configuration by a reasonable directivity (about 6-8 dB typical) [7]. As fifth generation (5G) is developed and implemented, we believe the main differences compared to 4G will be the use of much greater spectrum allocations at untapped

m-wave frequency bands, highly omnidirectional antennas at both the mobile device and base station [8]. These scenarios become different at mm Wave frequencies can provide the basic ground for the new Generation (5G) contains unexploited spectrum (3GHz-300GHz) to fulfil the new generation needs [9]. Another important part of the 5G mobile network is to provide multi-gigabit communication services such as high-definition television (HDTV) and ultra-high-definition video (UHDV) [10]. MmWave antennas are finding applications in a wider range of fields, including 5G cellular networks, wireless backhaul, radar and imaging systems with the growing demand for high-speed wireless communication. MmWave antennas are expected to play an increasingly important role in the development of next-generation wireless systems [11].

1. ANTENNA DESIGN AND STRUCTURE

The front view of the suggested antenna design is presented in this paper. The dimensions of the antenna shown in Fig1. consists of $5 \times 4.8 \times 0.508 \text{ mm}^3$ is designed

on Rogers RT/duroid 5880 (tm) substrate and the ground plane ($L \times W \text{ mm}^2$) which is fed by a $50\text{-}\Omega$ microstrip line ($FW \times FL \text{ mm}^2$). Many Substrates are available but the dielectric constants of all substrates are below 10GHz except Roger's substrate, therefore it is best for millimeter wave and it is most suitable for UHF because of low dielectric loss and low dispersion. It has the characteristics of low water absorption, lowest electric loss and low moisture absorption. The proposed antenna consists of an inverted ladder shaped slot which is etched on the radiating patch of size ($PL \times PW \text{ mm}^2$) and two slots were placed beside the feedline. An inverted ladder shaped slot is formed by cutting the rectangular slot ($RL \times RW \text{ mm}^2$) and another slot of size ($TL \times TW \text{ mm}^2$). The dimensions of the slot ($SRL \times SRW \text{ mm}^2$) which is placed beside the feedline. The dual bands are achieved at the first resonance 28.2 GHz from band 27.5 - 28.5 GHz and the second resonance at 54.7 GHz band from 52.78 - 56.85 GHz.

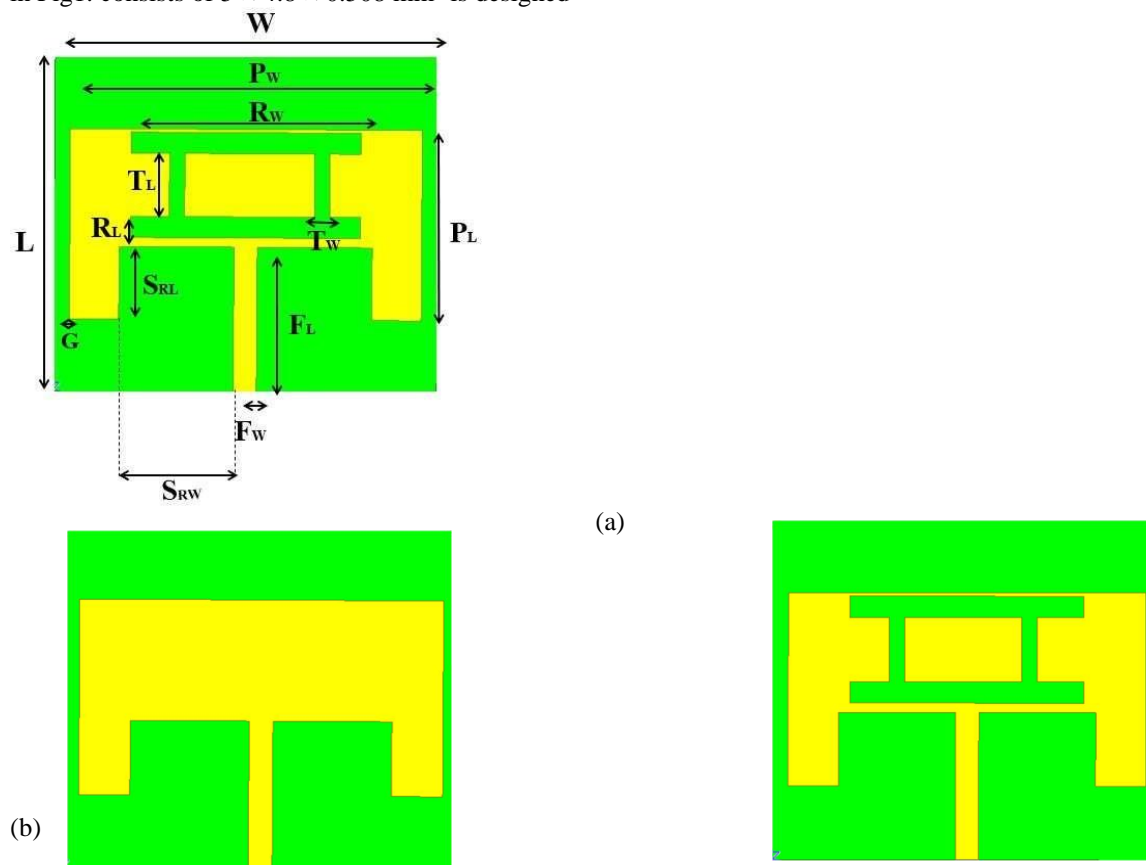


Fig1.(a) Optimized design of proposed antenna, (b) Stage-1 and (c) Stage-2

Table1.Optimizedparametersoftheproposedantenna.

| Parameter | Value in(mm) |
|-----------|--------------|
| L | 5.0 |
| W | 4.8 |
| PL | 4.59 |
| PW | 2.71 |
| FW | 0.3 |
| HS | 0.508 |
| G | 0.205 |
| FL | 2.07 |
| RL | 0.3 |
| Rw | 3.0 |
| SRL | 1.5 |
| SRW | 1.035 |
| TL | 0.9 |
| TW | 0.3 |

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

3.1 S-Parameter

The most significant feature in an antenna designing is the reflection coefficient (S11) which defines impedance matching and bandwidth. Scattering parameters describes the input-output relation between the ports in an electrical system. The 0dB S11 means that all the power of signal is reflected and -10dB means that 3dB power is transmitted to the antenna and -7dB of power is reflected, so the S11 should be less than -10dB for an antenna to perform effectively. This antenna has a return loss of -22dB and -14.5dB for 28.2 GHz and 54.7 GHz respectively as shown in Fig 2.

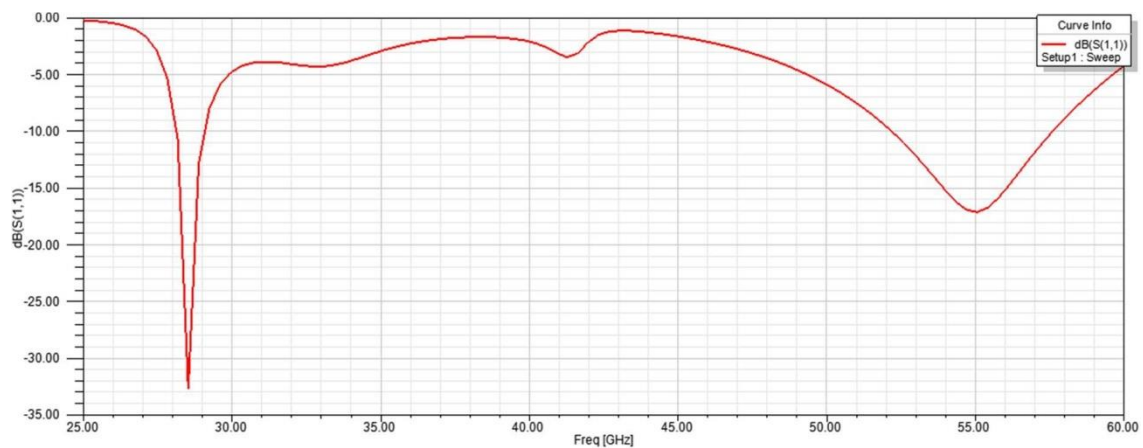


Fig2.S-Parameter

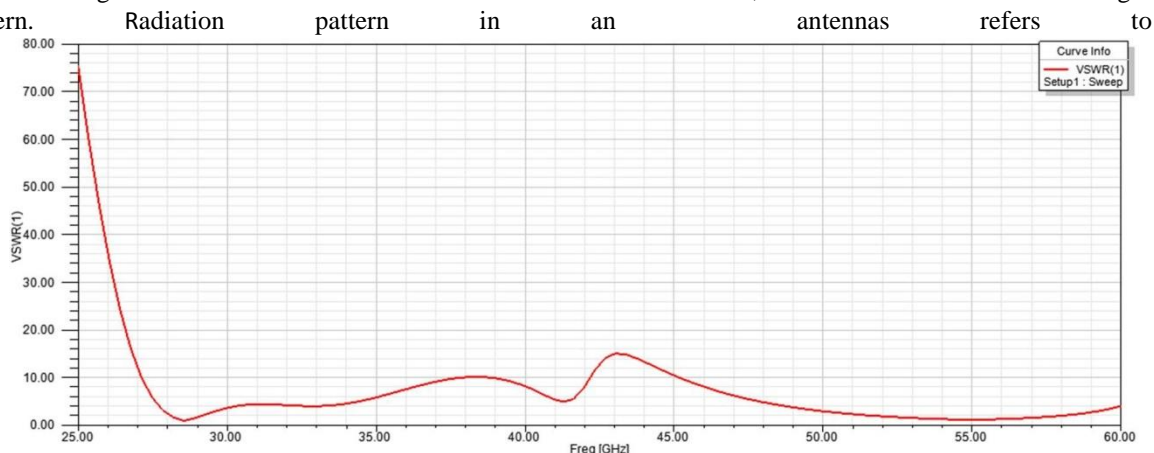
3.2 VSWR

VSWR (Voltage Standing Wave Ratio) is a measured of how the power of radio -frequency is transmitted efficiently from a power source, such as an antenna and a load, through a transmitter or receiver. VSWR is another parameter which indicates that the antenna can only be able to work where the optimum VSWR value is ≤ 2 . Furthermore, if value of VSWR is small, then the antenna will perform better and vice versa. VSWR is a measure of the ratio of the maximum voltage to the minimum voltage and also define the matching of impedance to the transmission line. This antenna has a VSWR of 1.2 dB and 1.4 dB at 28.2GHz and 54.7GHz respectively which can be seen in Fig3.

Fig3.VSWR

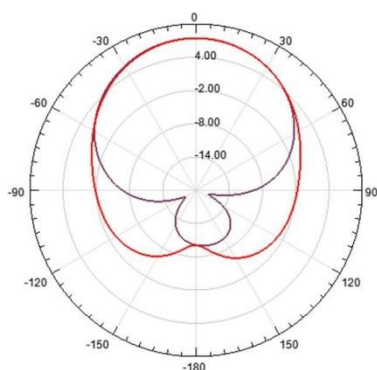
3.3 Radiation Pattern

Radiation Pattern of the Antenna shows the distribution of energy radiated by the antenna in space. It is a graphical way of showcasing the radiation from the antenna as a function of direction, and also known as Field Strength Pattern.



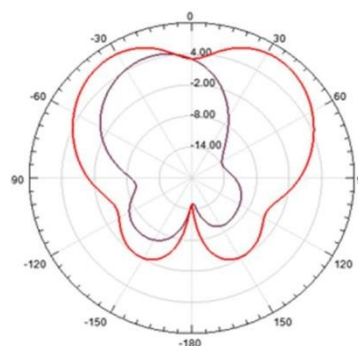
the directional dependence of the strength of the electromagnetic waves that are radiated or received by the antenna. The 2-D radiation patterns are such as E-plane and H-planes shown in Fig 4. can be observed that the E-pattern is bidirectional and H-pattern is omnidirectional which is required for wireless applications and the 3-D radiation patterns are shown in Fig 5.

Gain Plot at 28.2GHz



(a)

Gain Plot at 54.7GHz



(b)

Fig4. 2-D Patterns at (a) 28.2GHz and (b) 54.7GHz.

3DPolarPlot

Gainat28.2GHz

Gainat54.7GHz

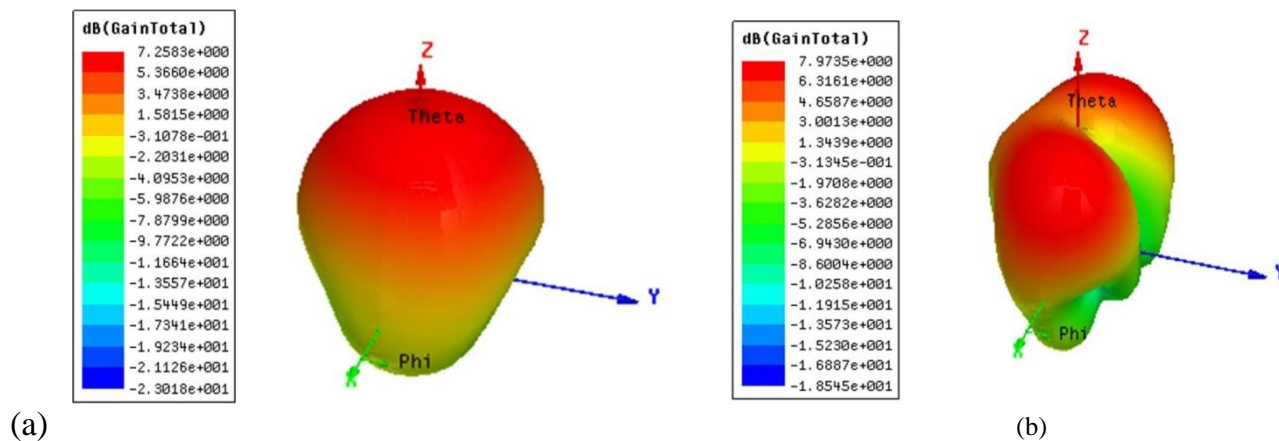


Fig5.3-DPolarPlotat(a) 28.2GHzand (b)54.7GHz.

3.4 SurfaceCurrentDistribution

Surface current distribution refers to the distribution of electric current over the surface of an antenna. When an antenna is excited by a signal, an alternating electric field is created in the space around the antenna, which induces a flow of electric current on the surface of the antenna. Fig. 6 represents the surface currents on the patch antenna at 28.2GHz and 54.7GHz. It can be identified that the proposed design radiates well at 28.2GHz and 54.7 GHz due to good impedance matching

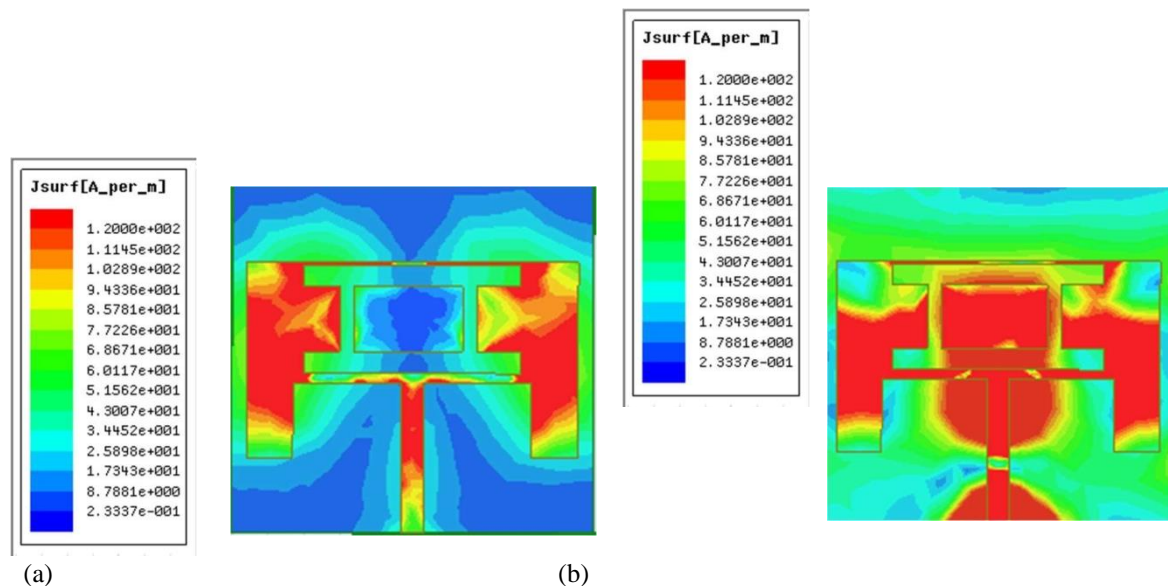


Fig6.SurfaceCurrent Distributionat (a) 28.2GHzand (b) 54.7 GHz

3.5 PeakGain

Peak gain refers to the maximum amplification that an electronic device or system can provide to an input signal at a specific frequency. The Peak gain is commonly used to

describe the performance of amplifiers, filters, and other electronic devices. It is an important specification for engineers and technicians to consider when designing or evaluating electronics systems, as it can affect the accuracy, stability, and overall quality of the signal being processed. The peak gain plot of the inverted ladder shaped antenna is shown in Fig 7 and gain is more than 5dBi is achieved at the 28.2GHz and 54.7GHz operating bands of the antenna.

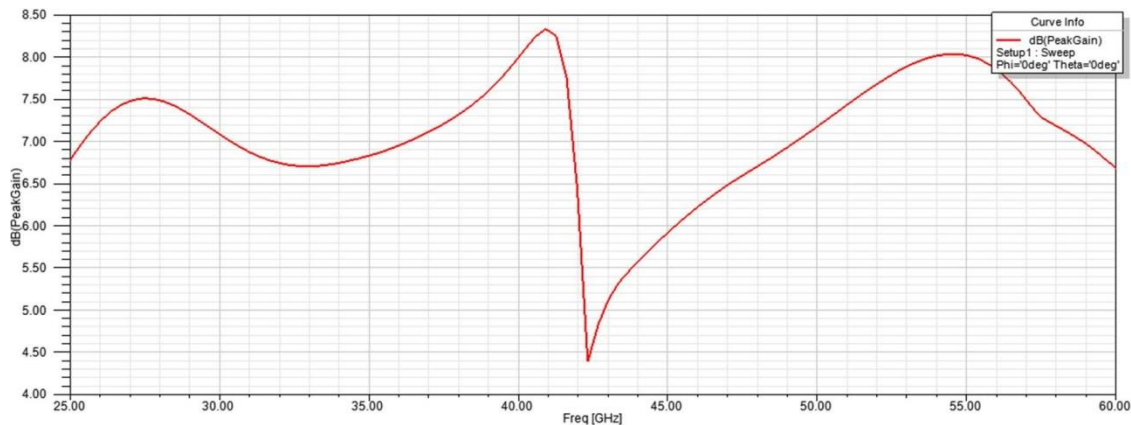


Fig7. Peak Gain at 28.2GHz and 54.7GHz

4. CONCLUSION

A compact dual-band microstrip antenna for 5Gmm Wave wireless device application is presented in this work. The antenna with dimensions $5 \times 4.8 \times 0.508 \text{ mm}^3$, is fed by a $50\text{-}\Omega$ microstrip line and is constructed on Rogers RT/duroid 5880(tm) dielectric material. On the radiating patch, a rectangular slot was used to induce a resonance at the 28.2GHz band between 27.5 GHz and 28.5 GHz and a second resonance at 54.7GHz between 52.78 GHz and 56.85GHz. Due to strong impedance matching abilities are demonstrated at the designed bands with S_{11} of -10dB and VSWR of below 2. The antenna also offers the peak gain of 7.50 dBi at 28.2GHz and 8.0dBi at 54.7 GHz. The results show that the presented design is appropriate for 5Gmm Wave wireless applications.

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