

Analysis report of "Design of Millimeter Wave Microstrip Reflectarrays"

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1. First reading: introduction and conclusion (what is it about?)
2. Second reading: the authors are brilliant! (detect good ideas)
 - (a) the authors had a strong motivation to perform this research: which one?
 - (b) they established something successful in that direction that
 - (c) constitutes the main contribution of the article: what exactly?
 - (d) what makes them/you enthusiastic about this result?
3. Third reading: the article has weaknesses! (scientific doubt)
 - (a) real scope of the experimental results?
 - (b) justified affirmations?
 - (c) exaggerated extrapolations?
 - (d) mostly obvious results?
4. Quality:
 - (a) of course there is this "summary aspect" with the key points of the article, their links with the cited references, what novelty is offered by the article
 - (b) but you should also check additional information, what is known elsewhere about the subject, from what sources you got it, and what is the reliability of these sources
 - (c) lastly, you should have a critical view, to evaluate the real scope of the article, some assertions of the article may possibly be a little too "optimistic." Are they some extrapolations of external results, possibly a little abusive? is the structure of the article properly made with respect to the its goal? do the experimental results actually support the assertions? etc.

5. Scientific contribution:

- (a) What is the scientific domain and context of the contribution
- (b) In what respect is it original w.r.t. other contemporary or past publications?
- (c) avoid recursive readings from article references to article references: it rapidly goes deep in the past.
- (d) rather use keywords and your ability to explore bibliography
- (e) Have hindsight and do not neglect to put the article into context

6. Writing:

- (a) Is the introduction informative and motivating?
- (b) Are experimental material and methods properly described?
- (c) In the discussion, are the main affirmations actually deducible from their experiments and the current knowledge?
- (d) Are the results actually innovative?
 - i. w.r.t. the year of the article,
 - ii. in particular w.r.t. the previous publications of the authors.

7. Generally:

- (a) within 2 to 4 pages, you cannot go into all the technical details
- (b) rather have hindsight in order to understand the role of each technical aspect within the whole contribution
- (c) one (or a few) technical aspect(s) may be a major articulation of the contribution; in which case you should point it out and explain why this aspect is of major importance
- (d) being concise is also part of the exercise

General ideas or thoughts:

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References