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ABSTRACT

The Microstrip Patch antenna is a single layer design which consists generally of four parts (patch, ground plane, substrate, and the feeding part). Patch antenna can be classified as single-element resonant antenna. Once the frequency is given (such as graphical representation, input impedance, etc) which is fixed. These designed antenna have frequency range in microwave S parameter cover the frequencies of 2GHz,3GHz and 3.5GHz.In this paper ,the rectangular patch antennas are designed and their performance parameters such as return loss, Voltage standing wave ratio, gain, and graphical representation have been designed, Calculated and Compared. Design frequency is 2.4GHz,the copper coated substrate material is FR4-EPOXY having dielectric constant ϵ_r 4.4 and thickness is 1.5mm.Using a parametric study found that the proposed antenna design will be useful for application like Wi-Fi, Bluetooth. Antenna is a transducer, which converts electrical energy into electromagnetic energy.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ACRONYM

ABBREVIATION

HFSS

High Frequency structure simulator

FR4

Flame retardant

VSWR

Voltage standing wave ratio

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

Antenna are key component of any wireless system. An antenna is a device that receives or transmit electromagnetic waves. An antenna is a one type of transducer that converts electromagnetic energy in the form of electromagnetic waves. An antenna that is formed out a patch of conductive material on a dielectric surface is known as a patch antenna. The dielectric material is mounted on a ground plane, where the ground plane supports the whole structure. Also, the excitation to the antenna is provided using feed lines connected through the patch. As it is formed using a microstrip technique by fabricating on a printed circuit board thus is also known as Microstrip antenna or printed antenna (1). Generally, patch antennas are considered as lowprofile antennas and are used for microwave frequency applications having frequency greater. Antenna of Micro-strip patch is the foremost type of published antenna. It has a major part in wireless communication systems. Fabrication can be fluently done using micro strip antenna (4). Ground plane, substrate a radiating patch are there in a structure of this antenna. Patch confines defines radiating point of antenna. Length and range parameters are used for representing patch. Material used to make substrate is FR4 are durable for a long range of frequency. The frequency ranges of antenna is 2.4 GHz.

1.1 DESIGN PROCEDURE USING HFSS

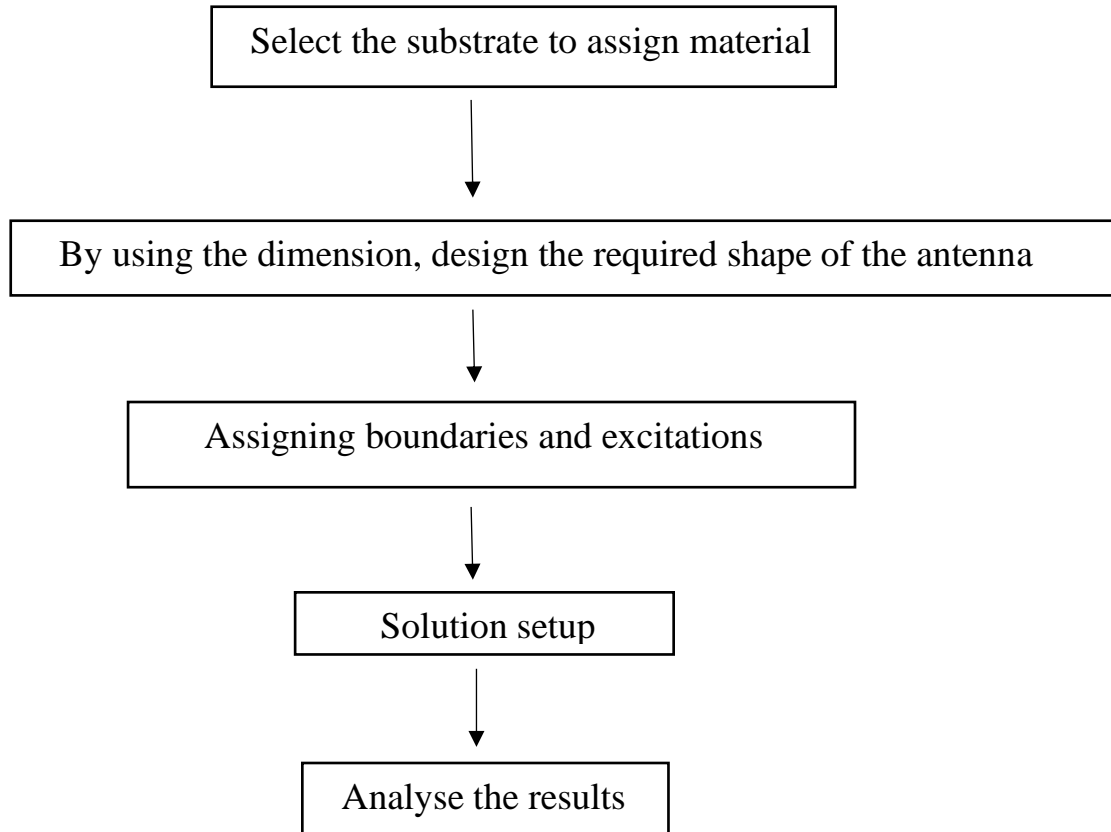


Fig 1.1 Flowchart

Microstrip patch antenna is the most common form of antennas. It consists of a conducting patch on one side of a dielectric substate and a ground plane on other side. The metallic patch is made of conducting material which is FR4 epoxy substrate and it is coated by copper material. By having a dimension of 28 x 39 with a dielectric constant $\epsilon_r = 4.4$ and a thickness= 1.5mm. The distance between the substrate and the feed part is 0.8mm (5). After designing, analyze all and the result will be obtained. The results obtained are return loss, voltage standing wave ratio, gain plot.

1.2 COMPONENTS USED IN MICROSTRIP PATCH

The microstrip patch antenna is a single layer design which generally consists of four parts namely,

- Patch
- Ground plane
- Substrate
- Feeding part

➤ PATCH

A Patch antenna is a type of antenna which is mounted on a surface. It consists of Rectangular, circular, geometrical sheet or a patch of metal.

➤ GROUND PLANE

Copper is used in ground plane, patch and microstrip line. In this research different dielectric materials were used for specific cut-off frequency to analyze the performance of the antenna.

➤ SUBSTRATE

A rectangular microstrip patch antenna is a form of antenna which consists of a rectangular patch. This patch is of any planar or non-planar geometry on one side of dielectric substrate and a ground plane on the other side. The substrate which used is FR4 epoxy .

➤ FEEDING PART

Feed line: In a radio antenna, is the cable or other transmission line that connects the antenna with the radio transmitter or receiver.

CHAPTER 2

CONSTRUCTION

Patch antenna has 2D geometry. These antennas come in various shapes where its shape is defined by the shape of the metallic patch placed on the dielectric material.

The patches can be rectangular, square, circular, triangular, annular or elliptical in shape. We have a rectangular patch antenna, which is formed by fabricating a rectangular metallic patch on a dielectric coated ground plane. This can be said in simple terms that a dielectric material having a conducting patch is supported by a ground plane. The rectangular patch antenna has a patch, ground plane and an substrate. The dimensions of the rectangular patch antenna is length=28.9 and width=38 with dielectric constant $\epsilon_r 4.4$ and the thickness is 1.5mm. The frequency range for microstrip patch antenna is 2.4 GHz. The distance between the substrate and the feed part is 0.8mm (5). We provided a radiation pattern. After designing, analyze all and the result will be obtained. The results obtained are return loss, voltage standing wave ratio, gain plot. This antenna will be useful in aircraft, spacecraft and so on..

2.1 ANSYS ELECTRONICS DESKTOP

Ansys Electronics Desktop is a comprehensive platform that enables electrical engineers to design and simulate various electrical, electronic and electromagnetic components, devices and systems. It is a unified interface which creates and analyzes electromagnetic (EM), thermal and circuit designs.

2.2 What is included in Ansys student version?

Students will have access to Ansys HFSS, Ansys Maxwell, Ansys Q3D, and Ansys Icepak, allowing design work on a broad range of electrical and electromechanical systems. Ansys HFSS is a multipurpose, full-wave 3D electromagnetic (EM) simulation software.

2.3 HFSS – High frequency structure simulator

HFSS simulates objects in 3D, for materials composition and shapes of each object. HFSS is one of several commercial tools used for antenna design, and the design of complex radio frequency electronic circuit elements including filters, transmission lines, and packaging. It is of designing and simulating high-frequency electronic products.

CHAPTER 3

MICROSTRIP PATCH ANTENNA OF RECTANGULAR DESIGN

A Rectangular Microstrip Patch Antenna is designed to operate at 2.4 GHz frequency with edge feeding technique. The proposed design is created with the substrate with FR4 epoxy under dielectric constant $\epsilon_r = 4.4$. The length of radiating patch is 29 mm and width 39 mm for edge feed.

The dimensions for designing antenna calculated as below

For calculating width of the patch, the following equation is used,

$$W = \frac{1}{2fr\sqrt{\mu_0\epsilon_0}} \times \sqrt{2\epsilon_r + 1}$$

The length can be evaluated as,

$$L = \frac{1}{2fr\sqrt{\epsilon_{eff}}\sqrt{\mu_0\epsilon_0}} - 2\Delta L$$

Where,

$$\epsilon_{eff} = \epsilon_r + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{2} \sqrt{1 + \frac{12h}{w}}$$

$$\Delta L = (\epsilon_{eff} + 0.3) \left(\frac{w}{h} + 0.264 \right) (\epsilon_{eff} - 0.258) \left(\frac{w}{h} + 0.8 \right) * 0.412$$

CHAPTER 4

DESIGN OF ANTENNA

The microstrip patch antenna is a single layer design which generally consists of four parts namely, Patch, Ground plane, Substrate, Feeding part.

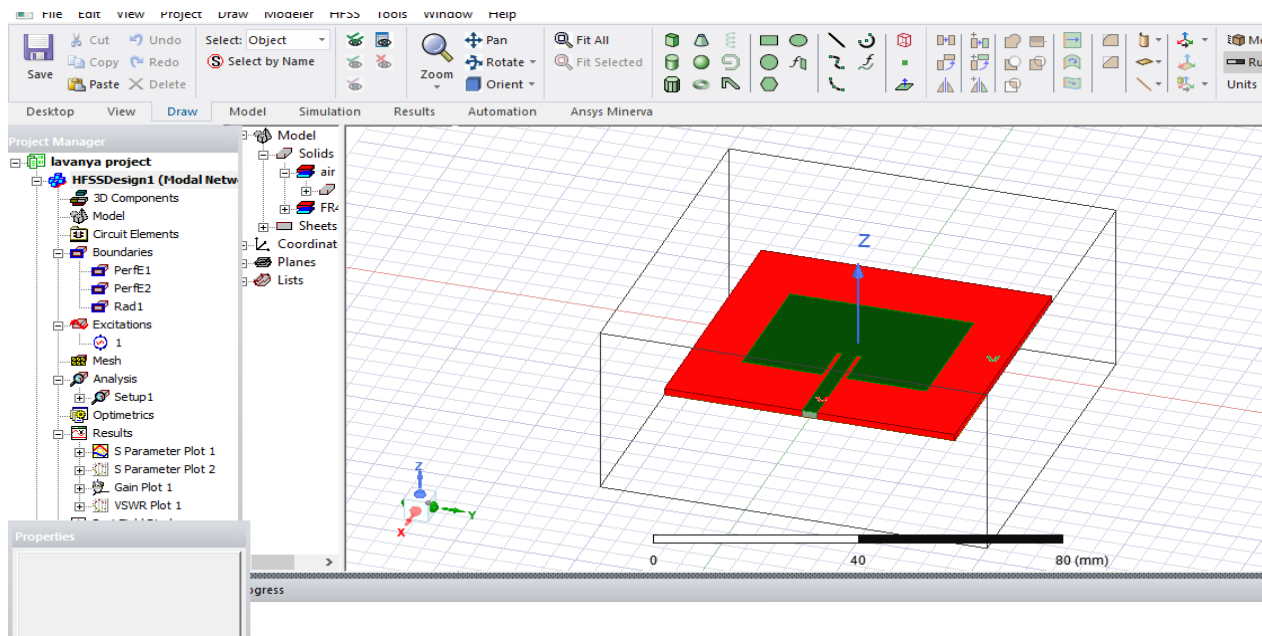


Fig 4.1 Antenna design

CHAPTER 5

GAIN PLOT

This describes how much amount of power is radiated from the antenna. The maximum radiation is obtained based in the frequency applied. If the value obtained is not optimized then the performance of antenna is low.

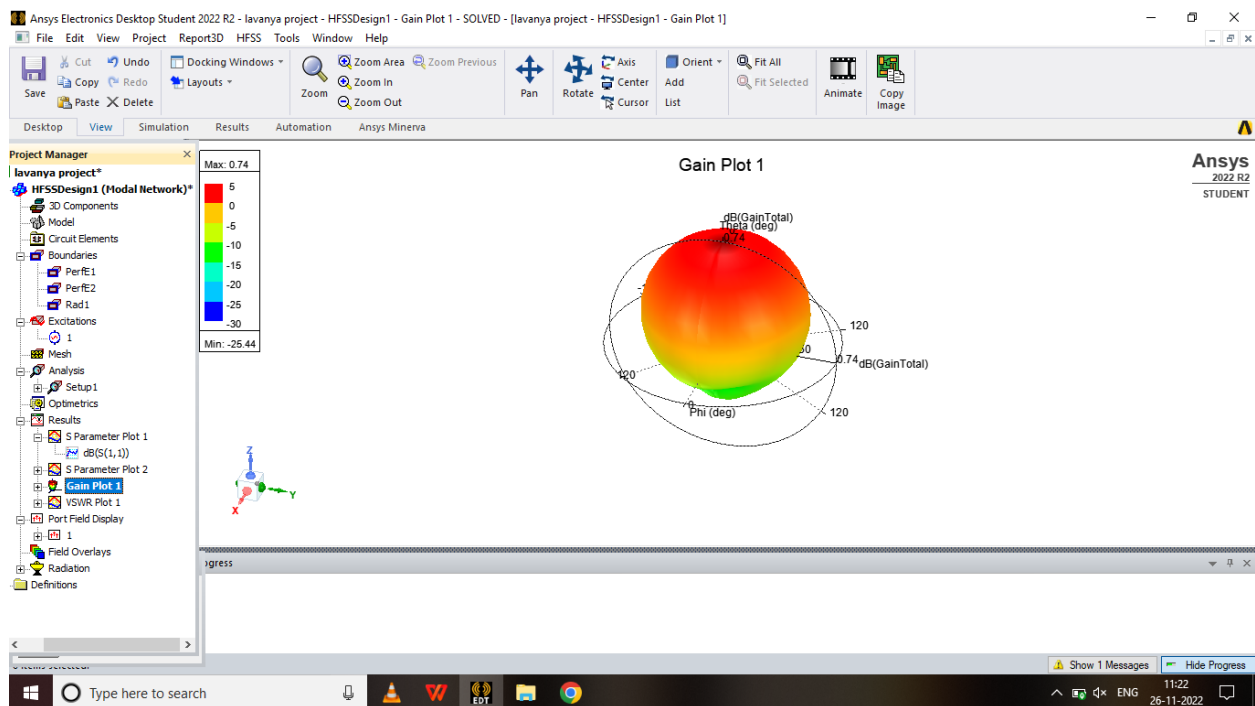


Fig 5.1 Gain plot

CHAPTER 6

VSWR

VSWR is known as Voltage Standing Wave Ratio. This is analyzed to know about the impedance matching of antenna.

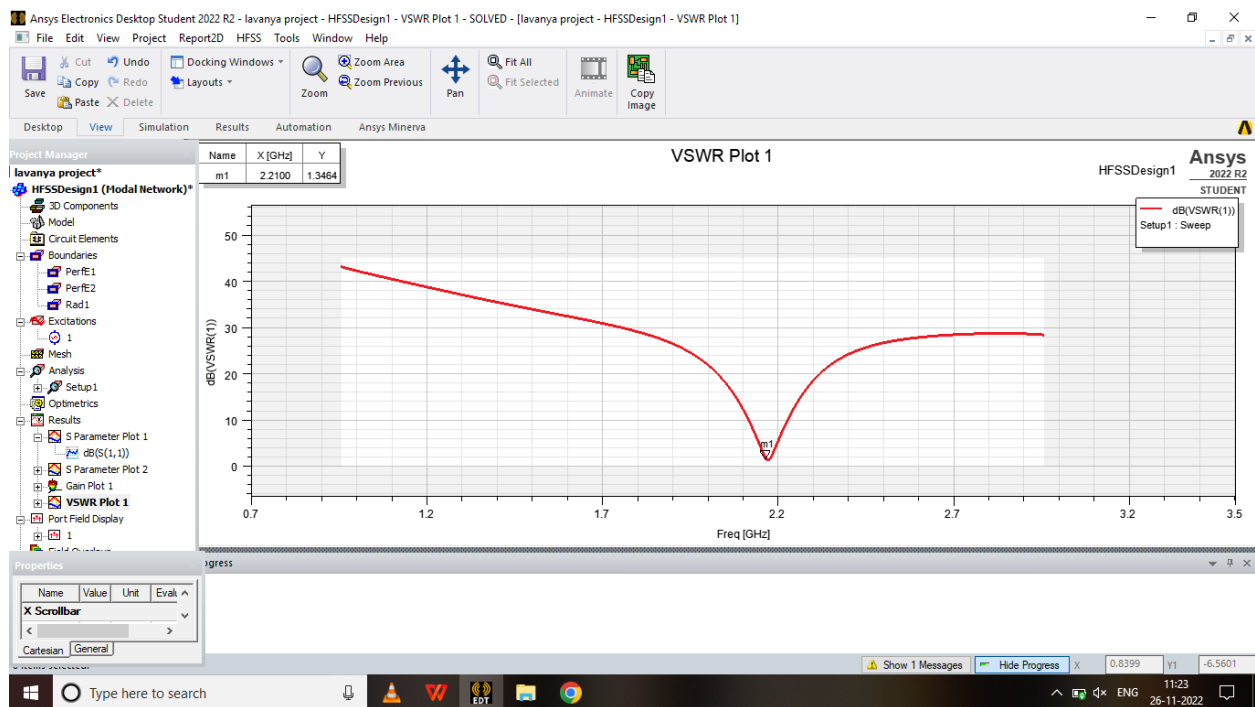


Fig 6.1 VSWR

From the above result it is analyzed that in the 2GHz - 5.5GHz range of frequency, there will be a constant value of VSWR.

CHAPTER 7

RETURN LOSS

Power loss is represented by return loss. It is caused because of channel or transmission line discontinuities. Signals are returned due to this in transmission process.

$$\text{Return Loss (dB)} = -10 * \log_{10} (P_R / P_I)$$

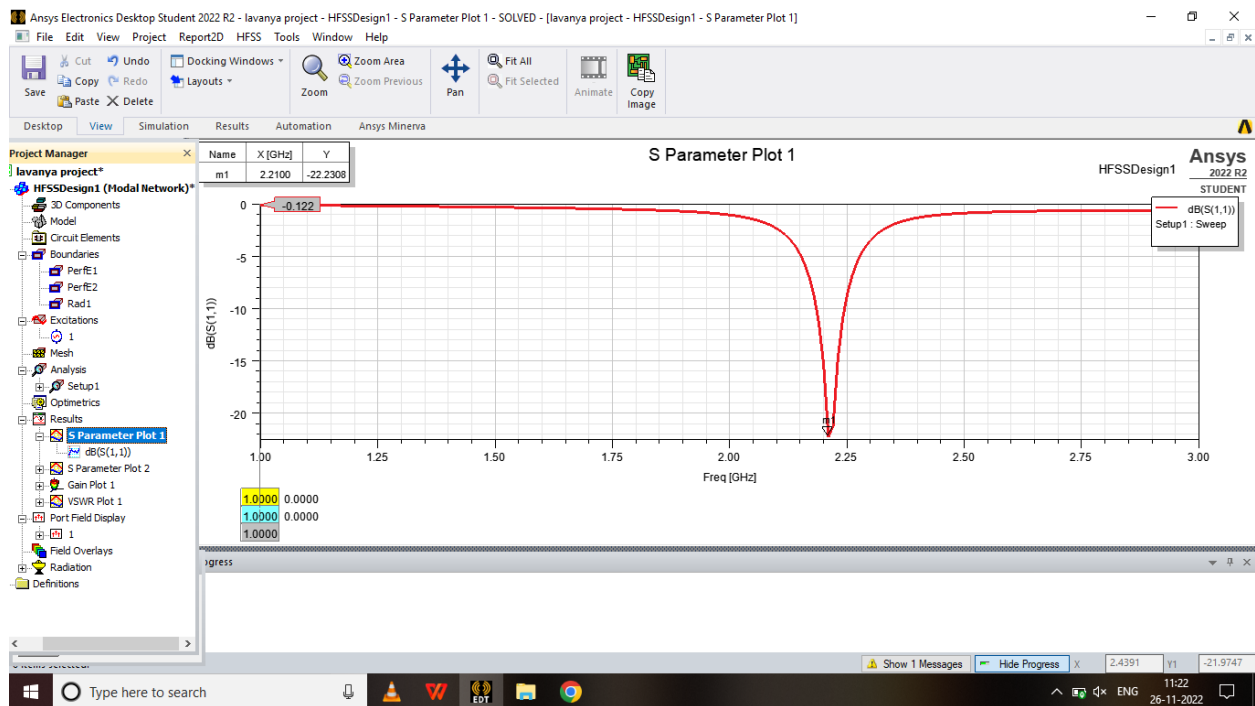


Fig 7.1 Return loss

From the above result, it is shows return loss is very narrow at the radiated 2.4GHz frequency. This indicates that the antenna exhibits perfect radiation.

CHAPTER 8

CONCLUSION

A Rectangular Microstrip Patch Antenna, resonant at frequency $f_0 = 2.4$ GHz, is designed and simulated on glass epoxy FR-4 substrate. The microstrip patch dimensions obtained from the simulation are used to fabricate the antenna. The simulation of rectangular Microstrip Patch antenna by using HFSS software.

The microstrip patch antenna is a single layer design which generally consists of four parts namely, Patch, Ground plane, Substrate, Feeding part. Generally, patch antennas are considered as low profile antennas and are used for microwave frequency applications having frequency greater than 100 MHz. The length and width of the patch determines the characteristics of the antenna. The dimensions of a microstrip patch antenna depend on the resonant frequency and value of the dielectric constant. By this the rectangular microstrip patch antenna has been designed.

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