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Miniaturized UWB multi-resonance patch antenna loaded with novel modified H-shape SRR metamaterial for microspacecraft applications

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Motivation

- To determine feasibility of incorporating the concept of altering the bulk effective permittivity for broadening of bandwidth of antenna.
- *To analyse different types and shapes of metamaterials for obtaining their frequency response through simulation and to extract material parameter of bulk composite host medium by parameter extraction (NRW method)*
- *To design and construct reduced size and broad bandwidth antenna with metamaterials embedded in the middle of the substrate and validate by simulation and measurement.*

Implementation of the metamaterial approach is cheaper and maintains the planar nature of the microstrip antenna, which is essential for integration with microstrip circuits.

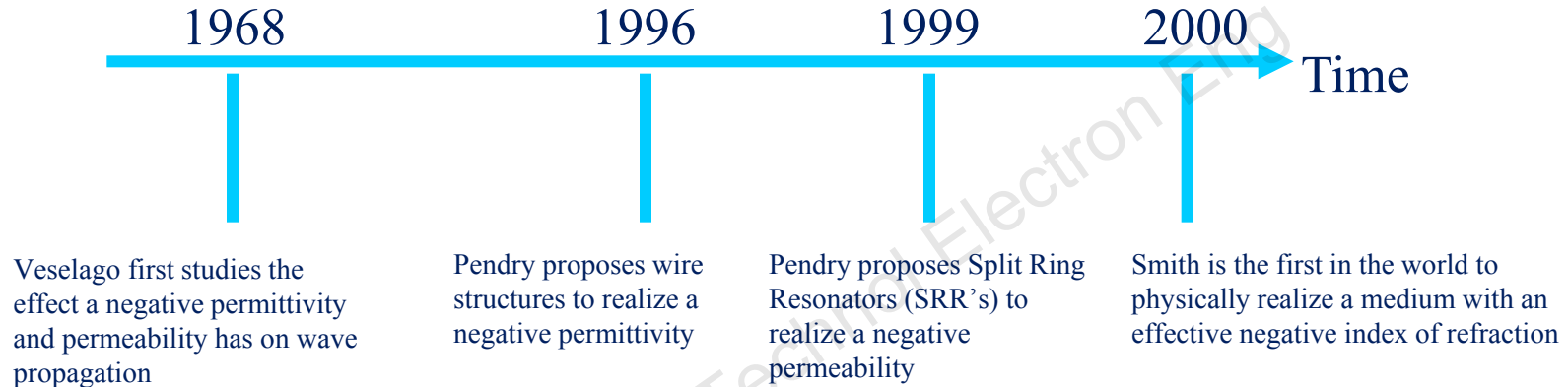
From the analysis of various shapes of metamaterials, an approximate design methodology for size reduction and bandwidth enhancement has been attempted.

NEGATIVE INDEX METAMATERIALS

Main idea

- Metamaterials that provide a structure with an effective negative index of refraction.

Timeline:



Electric Response

Metallic Wires

$$\epsilon_m < 0$$

Collection of conducting wires forms an **effective metal** with a controllable plasma frequency.

$$\epsilon_{\text{eff}} = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}$$

ω_p : controllable plasma frequency

Magnetic Response



Split Ring Resonator (SRR)

Collection of SRR forms effective magnetic medium.

$$\mu_{\text{eff}} = 1 - \frac{F\omega^2}{\omega^2 - \omega_0^2 + i\omega\Gamma}$$

Γ : dissipation factor F : fractional factor



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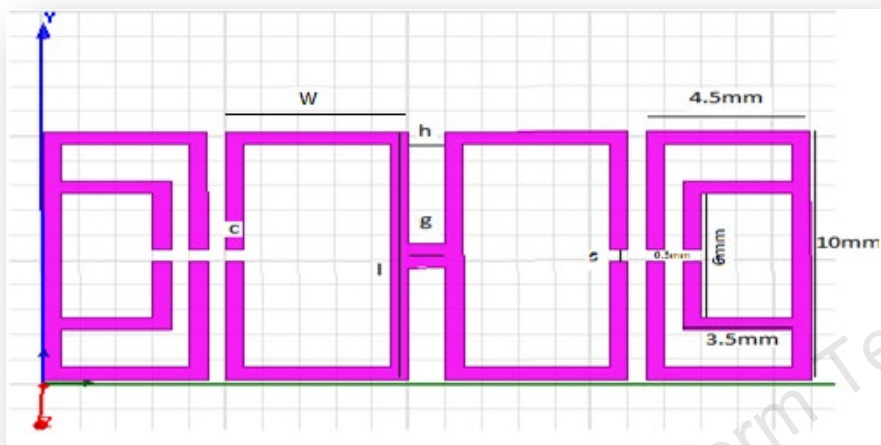
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Novel Modified H-shaped SRR metamaterial

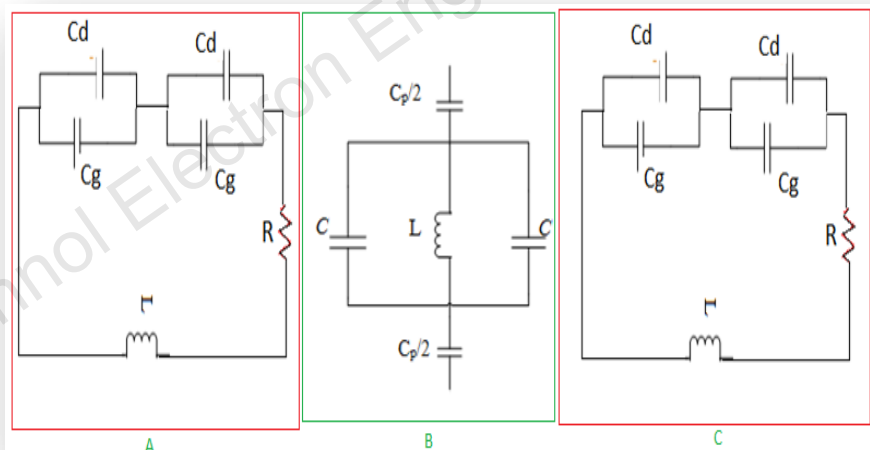
It is composed of modified H-shaped resonating copper conductors placed between two modified SRR structures.



(a) Schematic view

l	10 mm
s	0.5 mm
c	1 mm
g	1 mm
h	1 mm
w	5 mm

(c) Design parameters



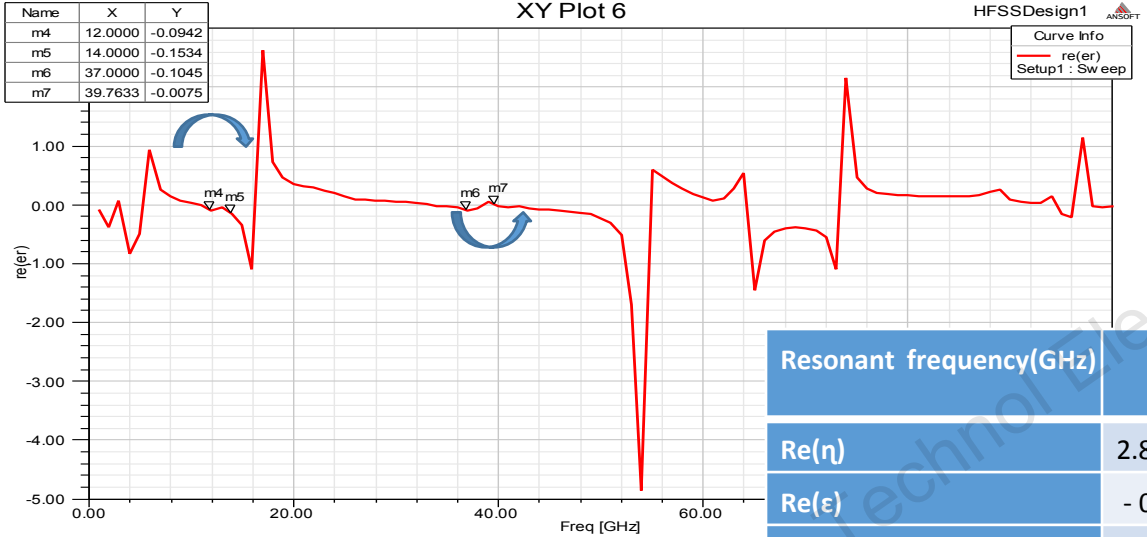
(b) Equivalent circuit

$$C = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r \frac{A}{d} \quad L = \mu_0 t \left[\frac{2c}{2w+h} + \frac{\sqrt{(2w+h)^2 + l^2}}{c} \right]$$

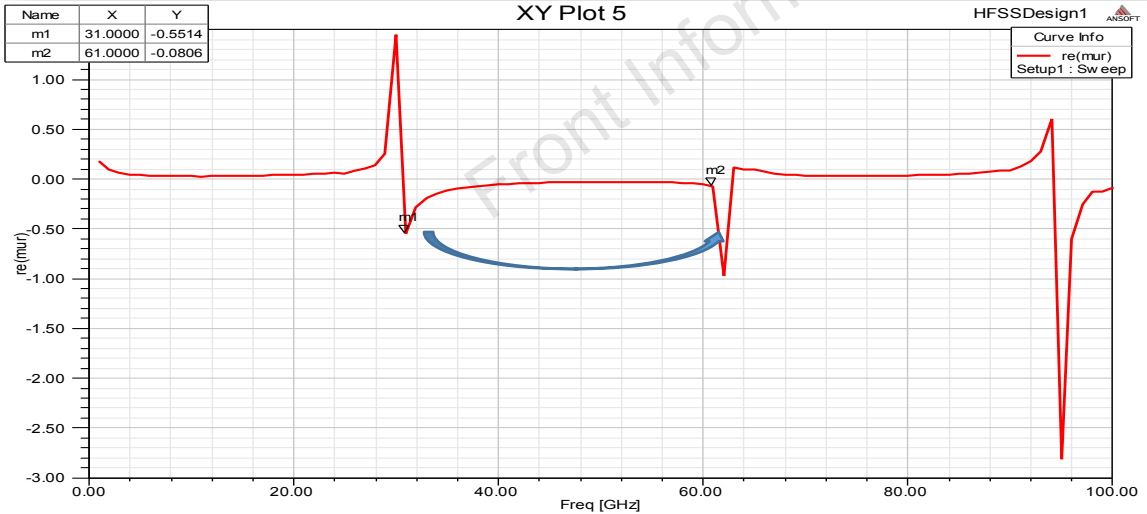
$$C_p = \epsilon_0 \left[\frac{2w+h}{\pi} \ln \frac{2c}{a-l} \right]$$

6% error

Simulation results



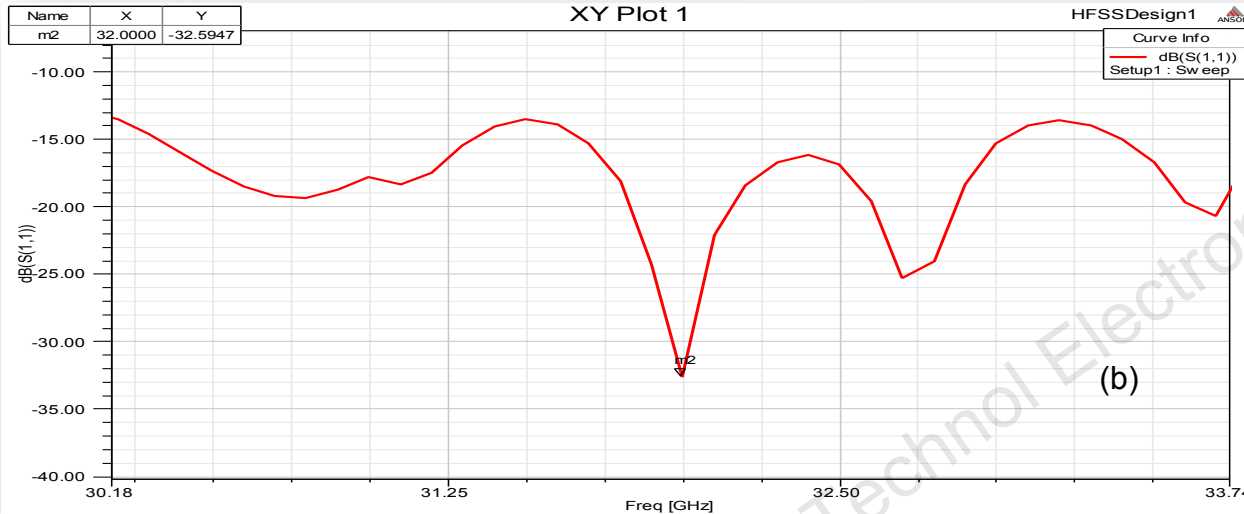
Resonant frequency(GHz)	12	14	37	39
Re(η)	2.85	- 1.6035	- 0.0052	- 0.441
Re(ϵ)	- 0.0942	- 0.1534	- 0.1045	0.0579
Re(μ)	0.0262	0.032	- 0.0873	- 0.0656



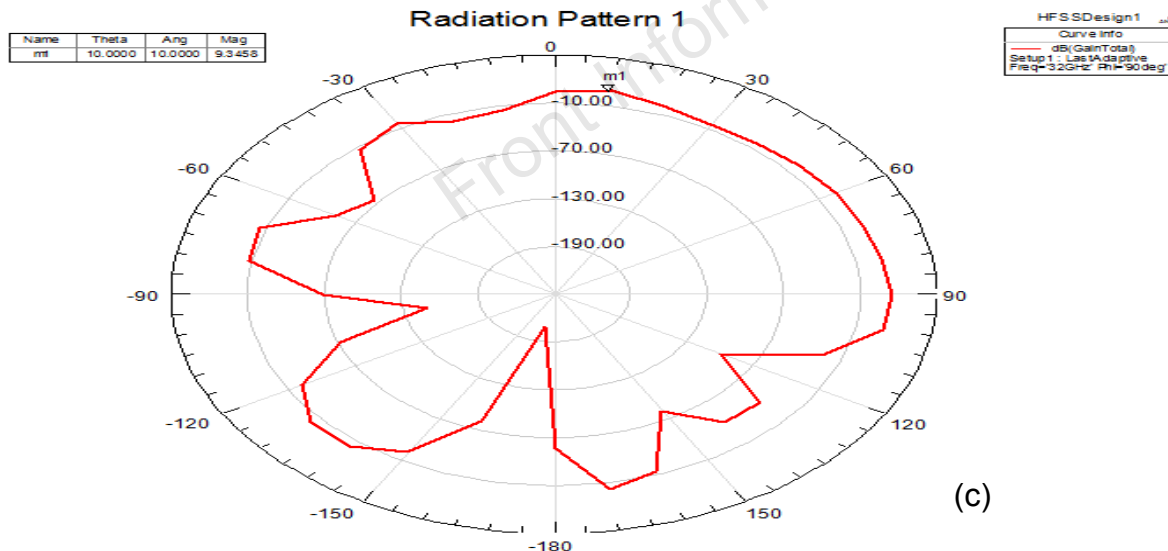
Permeability Vs. Frequency

SIMULATION RESULTS

Return loss.



Radiation pattern

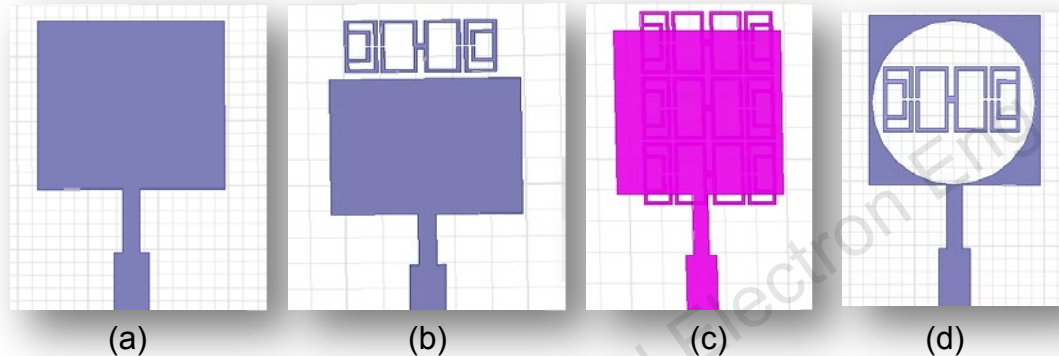


Bandwidth is 10 GHz.

Peak gain is 9.7dB

Peak directivity is 12.97 dB

Proposed antenna configurations



Proposed antenna configurations: (a) Patch antenna, (b) metamaterial placed at a coupling distance of 0.5 mm from top of the patch in the middle of the substrate, (c) metamaterial array 3X1 formed with 0.5 mm gap between each, and (d) patch antenna with lessened active area.

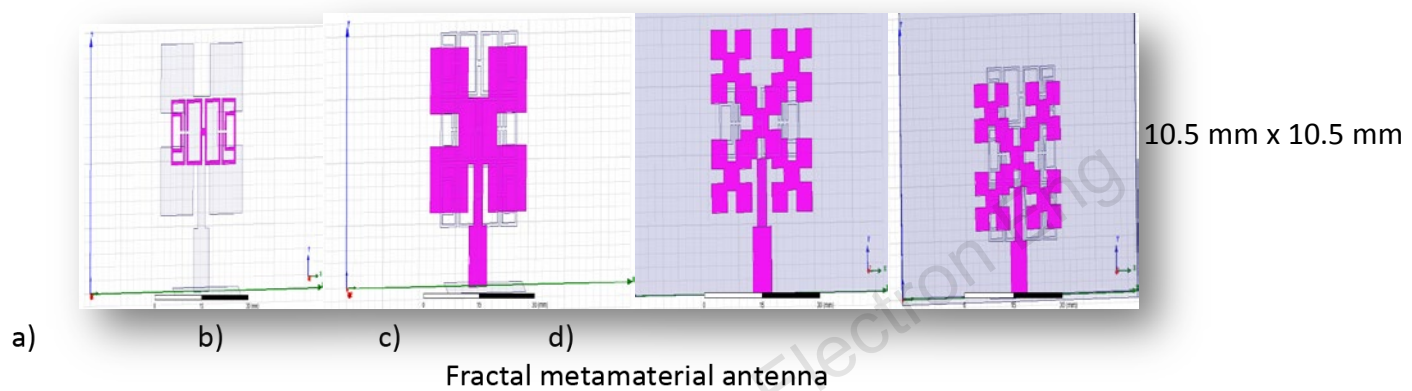
Configurations in figures	Gain (dB)	Directivity (dB)	Radiation efficiency(%)	Bandwidth (GHz)	Return loss (dB)	Active Area (mm ²)	Miniaturization (%)
(a)	9.7	12.97	73	10	32.59	694.3	--
(b)	10	10.4	97.4	16.34	23.28	694.3	71
(c)	9.7	9.4	99.5	91	39.19	694.3	78
(d)	8.7	7.4	100	77	30.12	241.9	71

maximum radiation efficiency

ultra-wide band

maximum miniaturization

Fractal antenna



Configurations In figures	Gain (dB)	Directivity (dB)	Radiation Efficiency (%)	Bandwidth (GHz)	Return loss (dB)	Miniaturization
(a)	10.23	10.26	99.28	16.59	26.32	7%
(b)	8.9	8.9	98.9	20	28.8	--
(c)	7	7	98	41.4	31	1/21 at 1.5 GHz
(d)	7	7	97	34	20	1/5 at 6 GHz

ultra-wide band

maximum miniaturization

CONCLUSION

	Resonant frequency f0 (GHz)	Bandwidth (GHz)	Miniaturization (%)	Gain (dB)
Patch	11.4	0.8	-	1.4
Active	4.8 and 8.6	5.2	57	2.5
Fractal	1.9 and 4.03	0.26 and 3.2	(1/6)th	4.8

Thus, “fabricated and simulated antennas” helps in achieving miniaturization and bandwidth enhancement which is in coherence with the proposed antenna configurations