

Irregular Pentagonal Patch Antenna For L Band Application

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Abstract- In this paper, we designed a Irregular pentagonal shape patch antenna for L-band application. The designed antenna simulate on IE3d software at 1.8 GHz (L-band) frequency calculated the bandwidth 63.68 % and maximum return loss is -17dB . And the gain is near about to 4dBi ,the design is best suited for L band application.

Keywords- Irregular, pentagonal, microstrip patch, cutting slot, coaxial feed.

1. INTRODUCTION

Microstrip patch antennas are very popular for modern communication system due to their compact size, low cost and ease of fabrication[1]. Microstrip antennas geometries are rectangular, circular , triangular and many more shaped structures have been reported [2]. The advantages of patch antennas are that they radiate with high gain in a direction perpendicular to the substrate. Efficiency and bandwidth of a patch antenna depends upon many factors like as patch size, substrate thickness, dielectric constant of substrate, feed point type and its location, etc. For good antenna performance, a thick dielectric substrate having a low dielectric constant is desirable for higher bandwidth, better efficiency and better radiation [3-5]. Circular or rectangular microstrip patch has been modified for some applications to other shapes. Irregular Pentagonal shape microstrip antenna has smaller size for a given frequency. The small size is an important requirement for portable communication equipments [6-9]. Coaxial probe feed is used for the antenna feeding . IE3d simulation software is used for simulation of antenna . IE3d software is a fully featured software package for electromagnetic analysis and design in the high frequency range.

2. ANTENNA DESIGN USING IE3d

The length and width of rectangular patch antenna are calculated from below equations. Where c is the speed of light, ϵ_r is the dielectric constant of substrate. First we calculate the width of patch (W_p) by using specified formula than calculate length of patch (L_p) by using some specified formulas. The calculated W_p and L_p are 50.6mm and 39.4mm respectively at 1.8 GHz.

Ground plane dimensions

Ideally the ground plane is assumed of infinite size in length and width but it is practically impossible to make a such infinite size ground plane, so to calculate the length and width of a ground plane followings equations are given as:

$$L_g = L_p + 6h(\text{mm}) = 49.0\text{mm}$$

$$W_g = W_p + 6h(\text{mm}) = 60.2\text{mm}$$

Determination of feed point location

(X_f , Y_f): A coaxial probe type feed is to be used in this design. The center of the patch is taken as the origin and the feed point location is given by the co-ordinates (X_f , Y_f) from the origin. The feed point must be located at that point on the patch, where the input impedance is 50 ohms for the resonant frequency. Hence, a trial and error method is used to locate the feed point. For different locations of the feed point, the return loss (R.L) is compared and that feed point is selected where the R.L is most negative . The feed point of the proposed geometry is $X_f = 44.2\text{mm}$ and $Y_f = 30.1\text{mm}$.

Table 1. Proposed antenna Design parameters

Design of Micro strip patch antenna	Design 1. Software base
Pattern	Irregular pentagonal
Frequency f_0 (GHz)	1.8 GHz
Dielectric constant	4.4
Loss tangent ξ	.0012
Height of the dielectric material h (mm)	1.6mm
Width of the ground (W_g)	60.2mm
Length of the ground (L_g)	49.0mm
Width of the patch (W_p)	50.6mm
Length of the patch (L_p)	39.4mm

Proposed Antenna Design

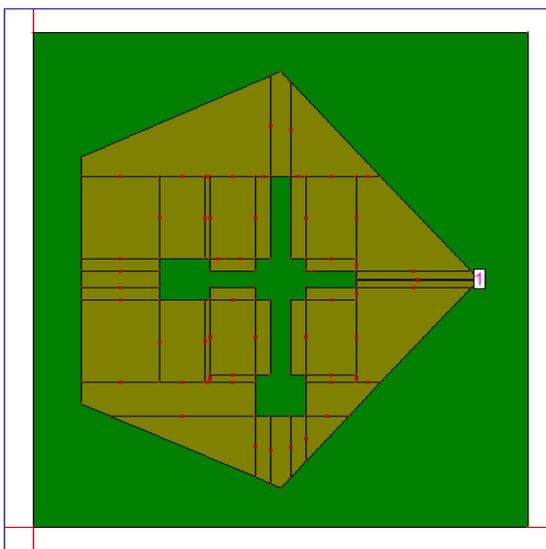


Fig.1- proposed antenna geometry

The proposed geometry coordinates on X,Y planes are(mm) 4.8,4.8 ;24.5,4.8 ;44.2,30.1 ;24.5,55.4 ;4.8,45 ;4.8,15,and the first cut slot on 24.5,30.1(cut 15,2mm) ,second slot on 24.5,30.1(2,25 mm),third slot on 24.5,30.1(5,5mm),fourth slot 24.5,16(5,5mm),fifth slot 15,17(5,5mm) and the feed point is 44.2,30.1mm.

3.IE3D SIMULATED RESULTS

After simulation the proposed antenna we get various results. All these various results are shown in figure.

Frequency Vs Return Loss

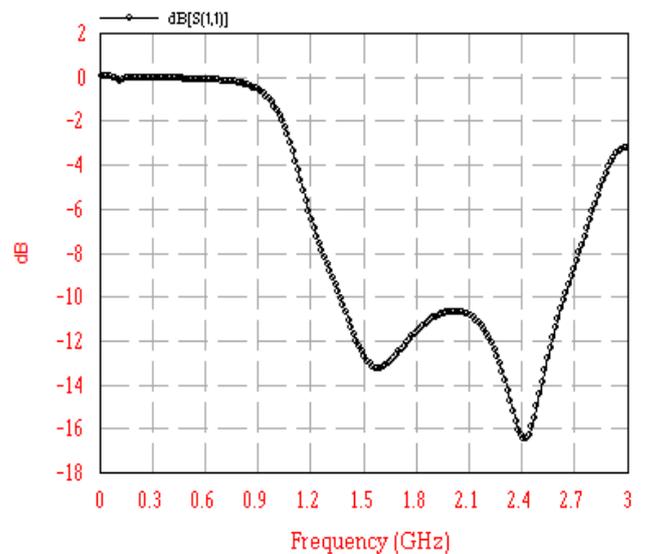


Fig.2- Frequency Vs Return Loss

Frequency Vs VSWR

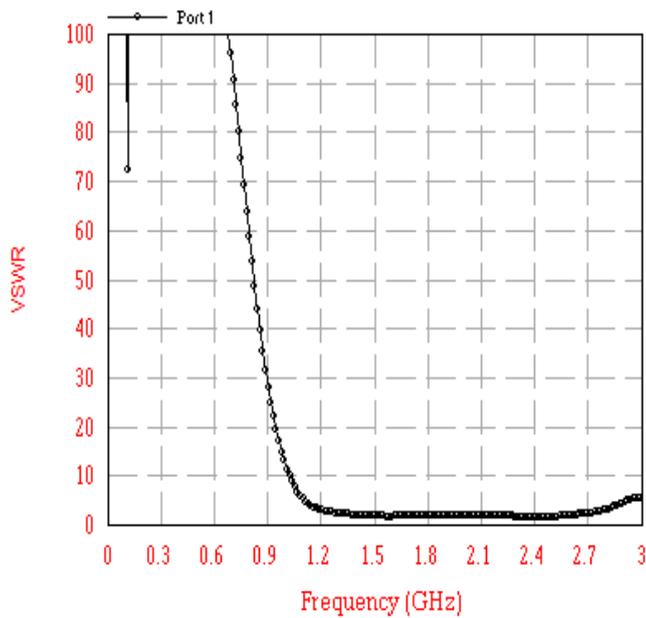


Fig.3- Frequency Vs VSWR

Directivity Vs Frequency

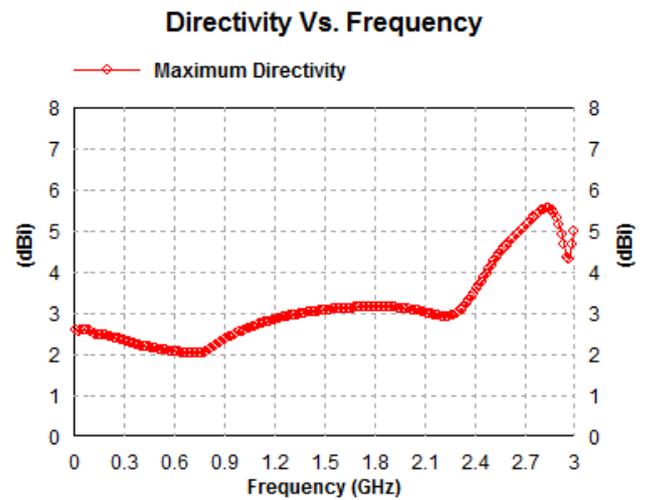


Fig.5- Directivity Vs Frequency

Gain Vs Frequency

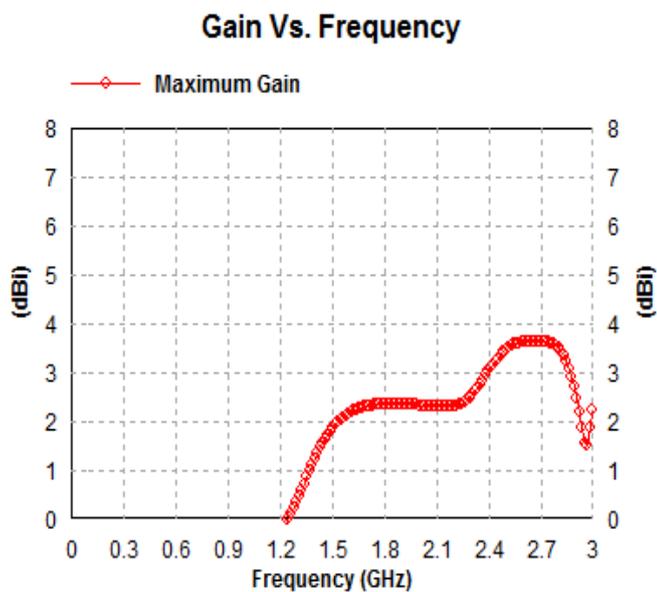


Fig.4 - Gain Vs Frequency

Efficiency Vs Frequency

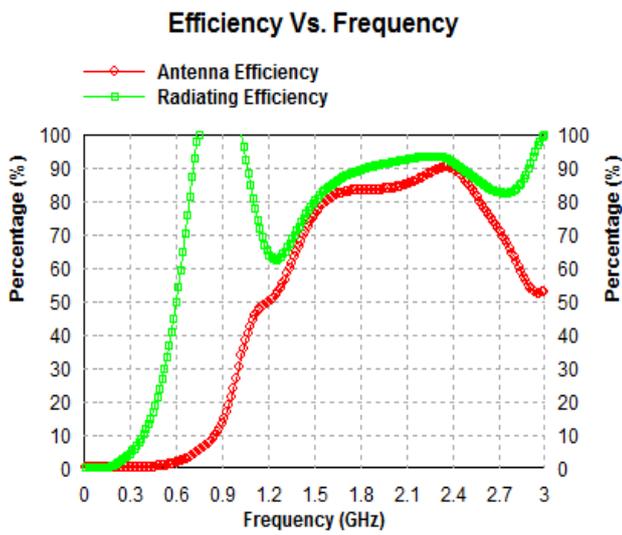


Fig.6- Efficiency Vs Frequency

3D View of proposed geometry

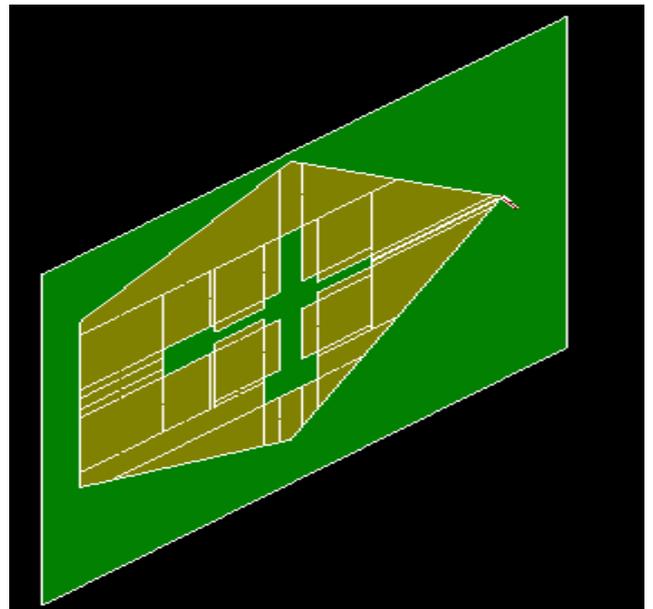


Fig.8-3D View of proposed geometry

Radiation Pattern

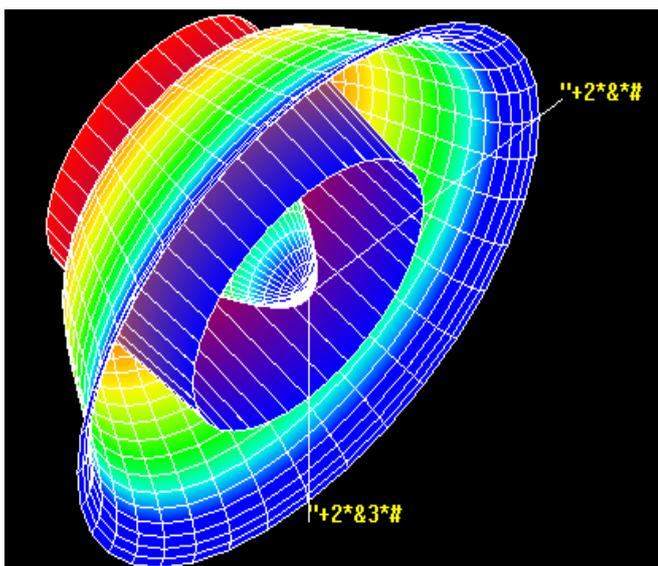


Fig.7- 3D View of radiation pattern

SmithChart

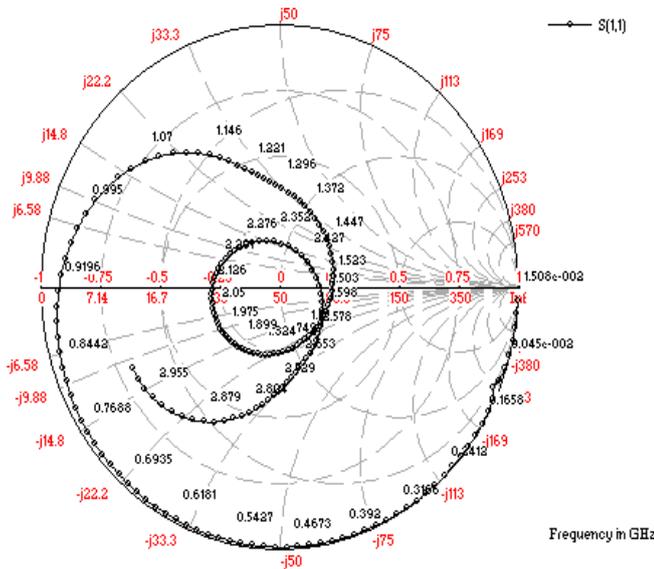


Fig.9- Smith Chart

2D radiation pattern

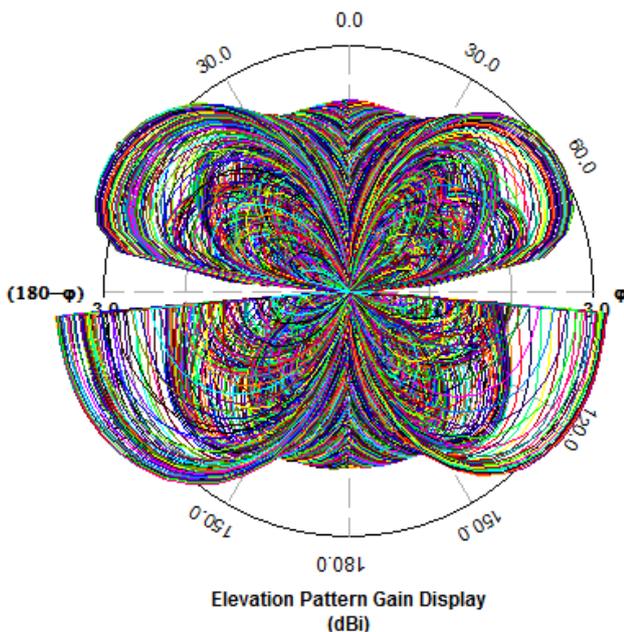


Fig.10- 2D radiation pattern

Table 2. In the table explore the output results

IRREGULAR PANTAGONAL MICROSTRIP PATCH	BAND WIDTH	RETURN LOSS
	63.68%	-17dB

CONCLUSION

In the paper, we have design an irregular pentagonal Shape Microstrip Patch antenna on 1.8GHz (for L-band) . The proposed antenna is designed on a GLASS EPOXY Substrate dielectric constant 4.4 and we got a bandwidth of 63.68% which is very high and also measured high antenna and radiation efficiency of 90% to 95% . The antenna applicable for the satellite and navigation .

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