

DESIGN AND ANALYSE OF MINIATURIZED WIDE BAND ANTENNA FOR INGESTIBLE APPLICATION

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ABSTRACT

Wireless capsule endoscopy (WCE) is one of the superior and non-invasive methods of diagnosing diseases in the gastrointestinal (GI) tract. Antennas are an unit in important WCE systems for diagnosis of GI tract diseases. To analyse perfectly, four antennas are going to be designed in the frequency of 2.4GHz which are A meandered dual loop antenna, Hilbert curve inspired miniaturized MIMO antenna. The measuring parameters of all five antennas are Gain, Directivity, VSWR. Reflection coefficient, Specific Absorption Rate (SAR). All the parameters of the four Antennas are going to be measured and compare with and without phantom in CST software.

1. INTRODUCTION

Wireless capsule endoscopy (WCE) is a diagnostic medical procedure that involves swallowing a small capsule-sized device equipped with a camera and wireless transmitter to capture images of the gastrointestinal (GI) tract as it passes through the digestive system. The device is commonly used to visualize and diagnose abnormalities or diseases of the small intestine, which are difficult to access with traditional endoscopy procedures.

The wireless capsule endoscope is typically the size of a large pill and contains a battery, a camera, a transmitter, and a light source. Once swallowed, the device moves through the digestive system, transmitting high-quality images of the GI tract to a recorder worn by the patient or a healthcare professional. The images are then reviewed by a medical specialist to diagnose any potential conditions, such as inflammatory bowel disease, small bowel tumours, or celiac disease.

Wireless capsule endoscopy is a minimally invasive procedure and is generally safe for most patients. It is particularly useful for patients who have unexplained GI symptoms or conditions that require further investigation, as it provides detailed images of the entire small intestine.

2. CURRENT PROBLEM

Wireless capsule endoscopy (WCE) is a non-invasive diagnostic procedure that allows physicians to examine the gastrointestinal (GI) tract using a small capsule equipped with a camera, transmitter, and battery. While WCE has revolutionized the way we diagnose and treat gastrointestinal diseases, there are still some current problems associated with this technology.

Here are some of the challenges facing wireless capsule endoscopy:

- 1. Limited battery life:** The battery life of the capsule is limited, typically lasting for 8-12 hours. This can be a problem if the capsule takes too long to pass through the GI tract or if it gets stuck, causing the battery to run out before the procedure is complete.
- 2. Difficulty in localizing capsule position:** The location of the capsule within the GI tract is difficult to determine accurately. While the capsule's camera captures images as it moves through the GI tract, it's difficult to pinpoint the exact location of the capsule at any given moment. This can be problematic if there is an area of concern that needs further examination or treatment.
- 3. Image quality:** While WCE provides high-quality images of the GI tract, the images can be limited in terms of depth and resolution. This can make it challenging to identify small abnormalities or diagnose certain conditions.
- 4. Incomplete examination:** Sometimes the capsule can get stuck in the GI tract, leading to incomplete examinations. Additionally, if the patient has an obstructed bowel or narrow segments in the GI tract, the capsule may not be able to pass through, making it impossible to obtain a complete examination.
- 5. Cost:** WCE is still relatively expensive, which limits its accessibility for some patients. Insurance coverage can also be limited, making it difficult for patients to afford the procedure.
- 6. Lack of therapeutic capabilities:** While WCE is an excellent tool for diagnosis, it has limited therapeutic capabilities. Unlike traditional endoscopy, WCE cannot remove polyps, take biopsies, or perform other therapeutic interventions.

Overall, wireless capsule endoscopy is a valuable tool for diagnosing and treating gastrointestinal diseases. However, it still faces some challenges that need to be addressed to improve its effectiveness and accessibility.

3. RELATED WORKS

Wireless capsule endoscopy (WCE) is a non-invasive diagnostic tool that has revolutionized the field of gastroenterology. The technology involves a small, wireless capsule that is swallowed by the patient and captures images of the digestive tract as it passes through. The captured images are then transmitted wirelessly to a receiver worn by the patient, and subsequently, analysed by a medical professional.

Over the years, WCE has become an increasingly popular and important diagnostic tool for gastroenterologists. As a result, there have been numerous research studies and technological advancements in the field. Below are some related works on wireless capsule endoscopy:

1. "Wireless capsule endoscopy: a review of development and challenges" by Mohamed R. Bouziane and Nabil T. Moukalled. This article provides an overview of the development and challenges of WCE technology, including the design of the capsule, the image acquisition process, and the wireless transmission of images. The authors also discuss the potential clinical applications and limitations of the technology.
2. "Wireless capsule endoscopy for diagnosis of small bowel disorders: a systematic review and meta-analysis" by M. W. Eddi et al. This study is a systematic review and meta-analysis of the diagnostic accuracy of WCE for small bowel disorders. The authors found that WCE had a high diagnostic yield for small bowel diseases such as Crohn's disease, obscure gastrointestinal bleeding, and small bowel tumours.
3. "Recent developments in wireless capsule endoscopy: a comprehensive review" by T. Nakamura et al. This article provides a comprehensive review of recent developments in WCE technology, including advancements in image quality, battery life, and image analysis software. The authors also discuss the potential future applications of WCE, including drug delivery and tissue sampling.
4. "Wireless capsule endoscopy in pediatric patients: a review of the literature" by A. J. Korman et al. This article reviews the use of WCE in pediatric patients, including the diagnostic yield and safety of the technology in this population. The authors found that WCE was a safe and effective diagnostic tool for children with suspected small bowel disease.
5. "Artificial intelligence and wireless capsule endoscopy: state of the art and future directions" by M. C. M. Ng et al. This article discusses the potential of artificial intelligence (AI) to improve the accuracy and efficiency of WCE image analysis. The authors provide an overview of current AI applications in WCE and discuss potential future directions for the technology.

Overall, these related works demonstrate the wide-ranging applications and potential of wireless capsule endoscopy as a non-invasive and effective diagnostic tool for gastrointestinal disorders.

4. CONCEPT

Wireless capsule endoscopy is a medical procedure used to visualize the inside of the digestive tract using a small capsule-shaped device equipped with a miniature camera and wireless technology. The capsule is swallowed and travels through the digestive tract while transmitting images to a recording device worn on the patient's body. The images captured by the capsule provide a detailed view of the entire digestive tract, including areas that cannot be reached by traditional endoscopy.

Here is an elaboration of the process of wireless capsule endoscopy:

- 1. Preparation:** Before the procedure, patients are advised to follow certain dietary restrictions and may need to undergo bowel preparation to ensure that the digestive tract is clear of any debris or stool.
- 2. Swallowing the capsule:** Once the patient is prepared, they swallow the capsule with water. The capsule is typically about the size of a large vitamin pill and contains a camera, light source, and transmitter.
- 3. Imaging:** As the capsule moves through the digestive tract, it captures images of the lining of the esophagus, stomach, small intestine, and large intestine. The camera in the capsule takes high-quality images of the digestive tract lining, which are transmitted to a recording device that the patient wears on their body.
- 4. Retrieval:** After approximately 8-10 hours, the patient returns to the clinic to have the recording device removed. The images are downloaded from the recording device and analysed by a specialist.
- 5. Analysis:** The specialist reviews the images captured by the capsule and looks for abnormalities, such as bleeding, inflammation, or tumours. The results of the analysis are shared with the patient's physician, who then uses them to make a diagnosis and develop a treatment plan.

Wireless capsule endoscopy is generally safe and well-tolerated by patients. However, it is not suitable for all patients, such as those with a history of bowel obstruction or swallowing difficulties. It is important to consult with a healthcare professional to determine if wireless capsule endoscopy is the right diagnostic tool for a patient's individual needs.

5.IMPLEMENTATION

Wireless antennas can be used in endoscopy to transmit images and other data wirelessly from the endoscope to a receiver, which can then be displayed on a monitor or recorded for later analysis. There are different ways that wireless antennas can be implemented in endoscopy, depending on the specific application and requirements. In this response, I will provide an overview of the general steps involved in implementing a wireless antenna in endoscopy.

1.Designing the antenna: The first step in implementing a wireless antenna in endoscopy is to design the antenna itself. The antenna needs to be small and lightweight enough to be integrated into the endoscope, while also providing adequate signal strength and range for wireless transmission. There are various types of antennas that can be used in endoscopy, such as dipole antennas, patch antennas, and helical antennas, each with their own advantages and disadvantages.

2. Integrating the antenna into the endoscope: Once the antenna is designed, it needs to be integrated into the endoscope. This involves physically attaching the antenna to the endoscope, either inside or outside the insertion tube, and connecting it to the electronics that capture and process the image data.

3.Choosing a wireless transmission protocol: There are various wireless transmission protocols that can be used for endoscopy, such as Bluetooth, Wi-Fi, and Zigbee. The choice of protocol will depend on factors such as the range and data rate required, as well as any regulatory requirements or compatibility issues.

4. Implementing the wireless transmitter and receiver: The next step is to implement the wireless transmitter and receiver that will transmit the image data from the endoscope to the receiver. This involves selecting the appropriate hardware and software components, as well as configuring the transmission parameters such as the frequency, modulation scheme, and power level.

5. Testing and validation: Once the wireless antenna is implemented, it needs to be tested and validated to ensure that it meets the required performance specifications. This may involve performing laboratory tests to measure the signal strength and quality, as well as clinical trials to assess the reliability and usability of the system in real-world scenarios.

Overall, implementing a wireless antenna in endoscopy requires a combination of engineering, electronics, and medical expertise. It is important to carefully design and test the antenna and transmission system to ensure that it provides reliable and high-quality wireless transmission of image and other data from the endoscope.

6.EVALUATION AND CHALLENGES

Wireless capsule endoscopy (WCE) is a medical imaging technology that allows physicians to examine the gastrointestinal (GI) tract without the need for invasive procedures. The evolution of WCE has been an exciting journey, marked by several milestones and advancements that have made it a valuable diagnostic tool for various GI disorders. Here is an elaboration of the evolution of wireless capsule endoscopy:

1. Invention: In the year 1999, Given Imaging, an Israeli medical technology company, invented the first wireless capsule endoscope. The device was small enough to be swallowed by patients, and it transmitted real-time images of the GI tract as it travelled through the digestive system.

2. Approval: In 2001, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved the Given Imaging's Pill Cam SB capsule for use in diagnosing small bowel diseases.

3. Advancements: Over the years, WCE technology has undergone several advancements. The first-generation PillCam SB had a battery life of only 8 hours, limited image resolution, and a low frame rate of two images per second. However, subsequent generations of WCE technology improved on these limitations. Today's WCE devices have a battery life of up to 14 hours, higher image resolution, and frame rates of up to 18 images per second.

4. Expansion to other applications: The success of the PillCam SB led to the development of other WCE devices for different applications. For example, the PillCam ESO capsule was designed for imaging the esophagus, and the PillCam COLON was developed for colon imaging.

5. Wireless Technology: With the advent of wireless technology, newer WCE devices have become more sophisticated. They can now transmit images wirelessly to a recording device worn by the patient, making it more convenient and less cumbersome for the patient.

6. Smart Capsule: Recent advancements in WCE technology have led to the development of "smart capsules" that can do more than just capture images. Some smart capsules can now measure pH levels, temperature, and pressure within the GI tract, providing additional diagnostic information for doctors.

7. Artificial Intelligence: Artificial intelligence (AI) has also been incorporated into WCE technology. AI algorithms can analyse the images captured by the WCE device, providing more accurate and faster diagnoses for various GI disorders.

In conclusion, the evolution of wireless capsule endoscopy has been marked by significant milestones and advancements, making it a valuable diagnostic tool for various GI disorders. From the invention of the first-generation PillCam SB to the development of smart capsules and AI integration, WCE technology has come a long way, and its potential for improving patient outcomes is immense.

Wireless capsule endoscopy is a minimally invasive diagnostic procedure that allows physicians to examine the small intestine using a small, wireless camera capsule. While the technology has advanced significantly in recent years, there are still several challenges associated with wireless capsule endoscopy.

1.Limited Battery Life: One of the main challenges of wireless capsule endoscopy is the limited battery life of the capsule. Since the capsule is designed to be swallowed and move through the digestive tract, it must have a compact size, which limits the battery capacity. Typically, the capsule has a battery life of 8-12 hours, which may not be sufficient for prolonged examination of the small intestine.

2.Wireless Communication: The capsule uses wireless communication to transmit images to an external receiver worn by the patient. The wireless signal can be disrupted by the presence of other electronic devices, such as cell phones and Wi-Fi routers, which can lead to data loss or poor image quality.

3. Incomplete Examination: Another challenge of wireless capsule endoscopy is the possibility of incomplete examination of the small intestine. This can occur if the capsule becomes stuck or unable to navigate certain parts of the intestine due to its size and shape.

4. Image Quality: The quality of the images captured by the capsule can also be a challenge. The capsule camera captures images at a low resolution, which can make it difficult for physicians to see small lesions or abnormalities.

5. Cost: Wireless capsule endoscopy can be costly, especially for patients who do not have insurance coverage. The cost of the capsule, the external receiver, and the physician's fee can add up, making it difficult for some patients to access the procedure.

6. Interpretation of Images: Another challenge is the interpretation of the images captured by the capsule. The physician must have specialized training to interpret the images and identify any abnormalities or lesions in the small intestine.

Overall, while wireless capsule endoscopy is a valuable diagnostic tool, it is not without its challenges. Research is ongoing to address these challenges and improve the accuracy and effectiveness of the procedure.

7.PARAMETERS

1.GAIN

In the context of miniaturized antennas, the gain parameter refers to the ability of an antenna to direct or concentrate its radiated energy in a specific direction. It is a measure of the antenna's ability to convert electrical energy into radio waves and transmit them in a specific direction. The gain of an antenna is usually expressed in decibels (dB) relative to an isotropic radiator, which is an idealized antenna that radiates equally in all directions.

In practical terms, the gain of a miniaturized antenna can be increased by increasing the size of the antenna, but this is not always possible or desirable in applications where size and weight are critical factors. Instead, various techniques can be used to increase the gain of a miniaturized antenna without increasing its size.

One approach is to use antenna arrays, where multiple small antennas are combined to create a larger effective aperture. Another approach is to use frequency selective surfaces or other types of reflectors to enhance the radiated energy in a specific direction. Additionally, sophisticated designs such as fractal antennas or metamaterial antennas can also increase gain in a compact form factor.

It is important to note that increasing the gain of an antenna typically comes at the expense of reducing its bandwidth or increasing its complexity. Therefore, a trade-off between gain, size, and other parameters must be carefully considered when designing a miniaturized antenna.

2.BANDWIDTH

In telecommunications, the term "bandwidth" refers to the range of frequencies that a communication channel or device can transmit or receive. In the context of miniaturized antennas, the bandwidth parameter is used to describe the range of frequencies over which the antenna can operate effectively.

Miniaturized antennas are becoming increasingly important due to the growing demand for small, lightweight, and low-profile communication devices such as smartphones, tablets, wearables, and IoT devices. The design of miniaturized antennas is a challenging task because the size of the antenna is much smaller than the wavelength of the operating frequency, which can lead to poor radiation efficiency and narrow bandwidth.

The bandwidth of an antenna is determined by its physical dimensions and shape, as well as the materials used in its construction. The bandwidth parameter is often expressed as a percentage of the centre frequency of

operation. For example, if an antenna has a centre frequency of 2.4 GHz and a bandwidth of 10%, it means that the antenna can operate effectively over a frequency range of 2.16 GHz to 2.64 GHz (10% of 2.4 GHz). There are several techniques that can be used to increase the bandwidth of miniaturized antennas. One common approach is to use parasitic elements such as loops or patches to enhance the bandwidth. Another approach is to use metamaterials, which are artificially engineered materials with unique electromagnetic properties that can enhance the performance of antennas.

In summary, the bandwidth parameter in miniaturized antennas is a crucial parameter that determines the range of frequencies over which the antenna can operate effectively. Designing miniaturized antennas with a wide bandwidth is a challenging task, but various techniques can be used to improve the performance of these antennas.

3.S11

S11, also known as the "reflection coefficient" or "return loss", is a common parameter used to measure the performance of an antenna. It indicates the amount of energy that is reflected back from the antenna, as opposed to being radiated into free space. In the case of a miniaturized antenna, such as a patch antenna or a microstrip antenna, S11 becomes particularly important because these antennas are designed to be physically small and compact. As a result, they may have a higher degree of loss and reflection than larger antennas.

To understand S11 in the context of a miniaturized antenna, it's helpful to consider the antenna's structure. In a patch antenna, for example, the antenna consists of a metal patch placed over a ground plane. The patch is usually connected to a transmission line, which feeds power to the antenna.

When a signal is fed into the patch, some of the energy is radiated into free space, while the rest is reflected towards the transmission line. The amount of energy that is reflected back is determined by the impedance of the antenna, which is influenced by the size, shape, and placement of the patch.

S11 is a measure of the ratio of the reflected power to the incident power. It is expressed as a complex number, with a magnitude and phase component. A perfect antenna would have an S11 of 0 dB, meaning that all of the energy is radiated into free space and none is reflected back. In practice, however, there will always be some degree of reflection and loss, and the S11 value will be negative.

To optimize the performance of a miniaturized antenna, it is important to minimize the amount of reflection and loss. This can be achieved through careful design and tuning of the antenna's impedance, as well as through the use of matching circuits and other techniques to minimize the amount of reflected power. By optimizing the S11 parameter, it is possible to achieve higher efficiency and better overall performance from a miniaturized antenna.

4.VSWR

VSWR, or Voltage Standing Wave Ratio, is a measure of the mismatch between the impedance of the antenna and the transmission line connected to it. In other words, it describes how well the energy sent by the transmitter is being received by the antenna. In miniaturized antennas, VSWR can be a critical parameter because these antennas are often used in compact devices with limited space for the antenna. This means that the antenna must be designed to be small while still maintaining good VSWR performance.

To achieve good VSWR performance in a miniaturized antenna, several design considerations must be taken into account. These include:

1. Antenna geometry: The geometry of the antenna must be optimized to achieve a good match with the transmission line. This includes the length, width, and spacing of the various antenna elements.
2. Feeding structure: The feeding structure of the antenna must also be designed to minimize VSWR. This includes the position and orientation of the feed point, the size and shape of the feed line, and the impedance matching network used to match the antenna impedance to the transmission line.
3. Dielectric material: The choice of dielectric material used in the antenna can also affect VSWR. In general, materials with a low dielectric constant are preferred as they tend to produce a better match with the transmission line.

Overall, achieving good VSWR performance in a miniaturized antenna requires careful design and optimization of the antenna geometry, feeding structure, and dielectric material. By taking these factors into account, it is possible to create a miniaturized antenna that provides good performance while still fitting within the limited space available in compact devices.

8.CONCLUSION

Wireless capsule endoscopy (WCE) is a medical procedure that uses a small capsule equipped with a camera and wireless technology to take pictures and transmit them to a recording device, providing a detailed view of the digestive tract. It is non-invasive and comfortable for the patient, and can visualize the entire GI tract, including the small bowel. However, it has limitations such as the inability to biopsy or treat lesions and potential for capsule retention. The procedure is generally safe and well-tolerated, but may cause discomfort or difficulty swallowing the capsule. WCE is useful in the diagnosis and management of various GI conditions, but it is important to discuss its benefits and limitations with a healthcare provider to determine if it is an appropriate option for individual patients.

9.RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

This research work encompasses the development of miniaturized antennas for wireless capsule endoscopy systems operating in the 2450 MHz ISM band, the MedRadio band, and the 434 MHz ISM band. Fractal engineering techniques were utilized to achieve miniaturization, wide-band characteristics, and a compact size advantage. Parametric studies were conducted to optimize the antenna designs, and their performance was evaluated through tests with batteries, different human tissues, and laboratory-made muscle phantom liquids. The antennas demonstrated promising features such as high gain, wide bandwidth, omnidirectional radiation patterns, and compatibility with various biological tissues. Electrical equivalent circuit models were proposed to represent the antennas immersed in human phantoms, and a wireless communication link analysis was performed to assess the feasibility of data transfer. Overall, the research focused on developing miniaturized antennas, optimizing their designs, evaluating their performance in different conditions, proposing equivalent circuit models, and estimating wireless communication capabilities. The antennas showcased advantages such as high gain, wide bandwidth, robustness, and suitability for wireless capsule endoscopy applications. Future work could involve further modeling and simulation of the wireless channel and the use of quantitative estimation methods to predict the behavior of the antennas in human phantoms.

10.OUTPUTS

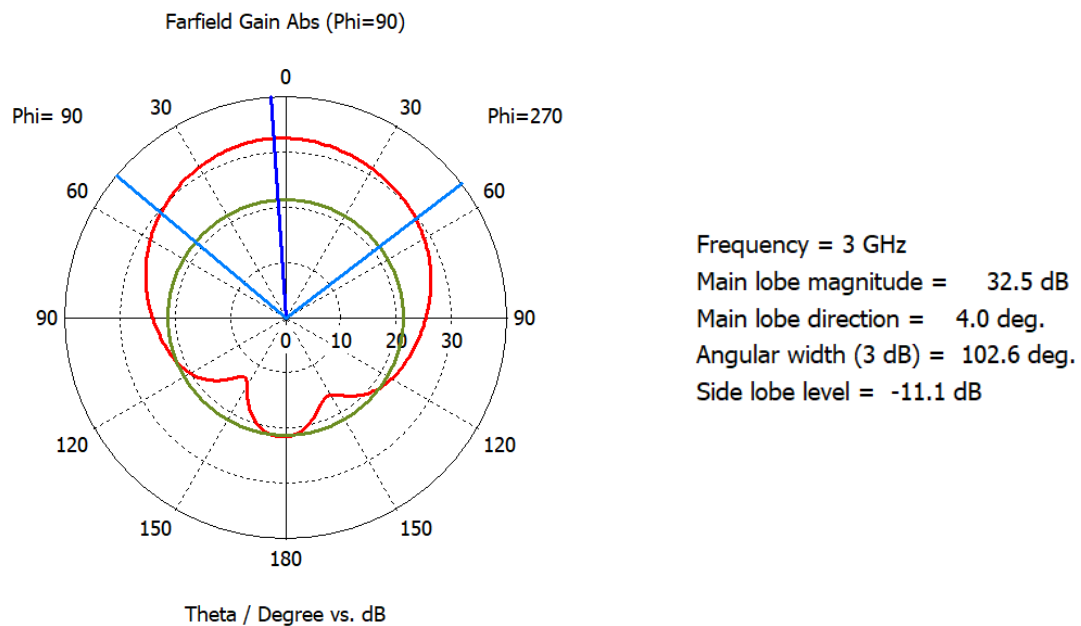


Figure 1 .Gain Of Meandered Dual Loop Antenna

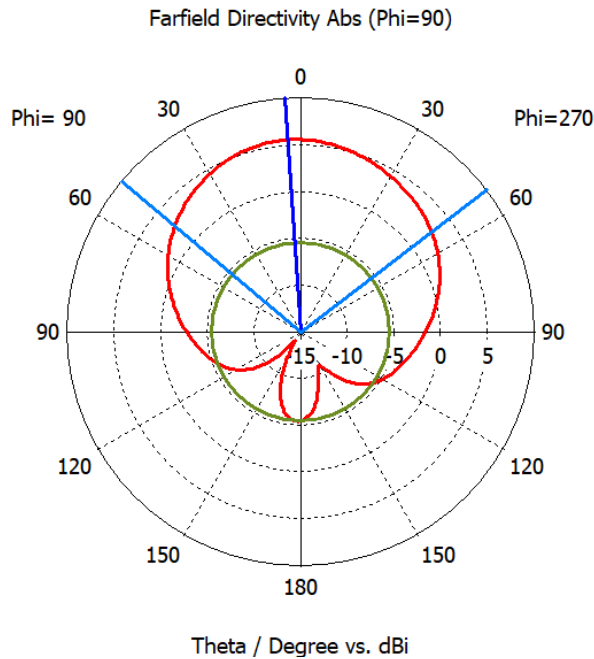


Figure 2 Directivity Of Meandered Dual Loop Antenna

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