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LIST OF ACRONYMS & ABBREVIATIONS

BW	Bandwidth
CST MWS	Computer Simulation Technology Microwave Studio
DC	Direct Current
dBm	Decibel-mill watts
EM	Electromagnetic
GPS	Global Positioning System
GSM	Global System for Mobile communications
HF	High Frequency
MATLAB	Matrix Laboratory
PIFA	Planar inverted F antenna
RL	Return Loss
RF	Radio Frequency
RFID	Radio Frequency Identification
SAR	Specific Absorption Rate
UMTS	Universal Mobile Telecommunications System
UWB	Ultra-wideband
WBAN	Wireless Body Area Networks
WSN	Wireless sensor networks

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ABSTRACT

The main objective of this project is to design an antenna at 900MHz frequency band and see the S11 parameter after optimization of the dimensions of the antenna in MATLAB using differential optimization method. This antenna can be further fabricated on a leather belt of known dimensions using copper tape for the patch and ground plane and FR4 lossy material as a substrate. We tried to us e leather as a substrate but the losses were far bigger. Once this antenna is designed it can be further made manually and then connected to a rectifier for conversion of the AC into DC and possibly an antenna array of the designed antenna can be used to harvest the required power to drive any small device such as a portable GPS.

CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

Empowerment of women is empowering women to take their own choices for their individual dependent. Women empowerment is to make them self-governing in all aspects from mind, believed, rights, and choicesby leaving all the communal and family limitations. This is done in order to bring impartiality in the society for both male and female in every area. Women empowerment is very essential to make positive future of the family, culture and country. Women need new and a moreaccomplished atmosphere so they can take their own correctchoices in all walks of life whether for themselves, family, civilisation or country. To make nation developed empowerment of women is avital way to approach development. Status of women in India has gone through several changes through many years. From alikestanding with men in olden times topromotion of equivalent rights by many protestors, history of women in India has been momentous. Today's India, women have adorned high offices including that of the President, Prime Minister, Leader of the Opposition and Speaker of the Lok Sabah but still women continue to face several challenges and often are fatalities of abuse and vicious crimes. According to a global poll conducted by Thomson Reuters, our country is "fourth most dangerous country" in the world for women, and most horrible country for women among the G20 [group of developing industrial Nations] countries. Every day more than 30 women arekilled and many are suffering seriousemotional and physical suffering.

So we need to ensure safety of women by self-defence. In today's world appreciativelyquantity of safety and security devices and equipment's are available such as safety rod, stun gun, pepper spray etc.Besides these equipment's there are also other devices which work on the principle of wearable technology and are much more efficient in providing security for women. These devices are also not very popular these days as they are considered to be outdated and new and better technologies have taken over which are far more efficient in providing security to women without being detected. Although these technologies are costly but their failure rate is very less and security provided is more. Several technologies uses antennas as a base for the development of these devices and as they are were able different fabrication schemes are used.

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Fig1.1: Stun gun with flashlight [http://www.hobbr.com/self-defense-products-for-women/]



Fig1.2: Pepper spray [http://www.hobbr.com/self-defense-products-for-women/]

The Clothing and fixtures including computer and innovative electronic technology, known as wearable technology has seen growth in leaps and bounds over the past decade. The wearable gadgets is a group of devices that can be used by a user and include tracing statistics related to health and fitness. Other wearable gadgets include small motion sensors to take photos and synchronise with mobile devices. These Wearable device are not only providing physiological monitoring information but are also being implemented for personal safety. Progress in wireless wearable technology is being slowly directed towards recording and tracking personal safety information. While mobile technology has been developing systems to alert loved ones and the law enforcement. In any wearable technology the antenna is one of the most important part especially in women safety devices.

Wearable Antennas are antenna that arepreciselyintended to work while being worn. Which include smart watches, glasses .These body worn antennas are becoming common in user electronics. WBAN applications have sustained an intense development starting from the early years of the millennium, with a marked increase in the last three-four years due to the emergence of wearable mobile gadgets. In on- and off-body communication links for security, medical, sports or entertainment applications are required. Depending on the application, very different requirements exist for the communication link: for military and security applications for instance a large

Communication range and a high reliability are of paramount importance whereas for entertainment the range might be short or very short but the data rate has to be high. All these requirements have however one thing in common: They ask for an antenna having the highest possible radiation by taking in account of the losses in the environment.

Wirelesscommunication by body in PAN, BAN can be categorised as off-body, on-body, inbody as shown in Fig. 1.3.In this class of communication from off-body to an on-body device or to the system. Second discussion leads to the wireless communication relation within the on-body networks and the wearablesystems. The third class is communication to medical implants and sensor network wirelessly.

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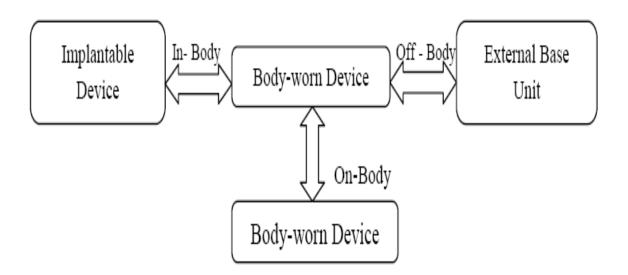


Fig1.3: Wireless body-centric communication[//www.hindawi.com/journals/js/2016/5725836//]

Following design rules can be derived for the design of wearable antennas:

• In theory, it would be better to use antennas orthogonal to the body than antennas parallel to them. As a low profile is usually desired, this is

Often unpractical.

• Use a ground plane to shield the phantom from the radiated fields. This is the most efficient measure that can be taken, but is not always possible (in the case of UWB antennas for instance, or if space is limited).

• If the ground plane is small with respect to the wavelength as in electrically small antennas, there will be radiating currents on the ground plane .These should be controlled in order to avoid not only radiation into the phantom, but also and more importantly near field coupling into the lossy tissues of the phantom.

• Special care should be taken to the feed design, which is often a location where strong near fields occur. Again, coupling to the lossy phantom tissues should be avoided.

In the case of implantable antennas, we can add the following design rule:

• For implanted antennas, where possible, one should use lossless enclosure for the antenna, designed to contain as much as possible of the near-field.

1.1 PRINTING TECHNOLOGIES- Unlike other non -wearable antennas the manufacturing process involved in these antennas are different. The antennas are fabricated

onto a substrate using the following fabrication technology. The main technologies are given below:

1.1.1 3D PRINTING- 3D printing, is astirring technology that is very useful in many fields. 3D printing allows many shapes to be shaped with geometries which are impossible using predictable methods. Additionally, by changing the innerconstruction, we can also changedielectric properties. .3D Printing has speedilyincreasing palette of ingredients. They have been designed for their physical properties and are highly flexible. It is assembly quiet a large interest in terms of its impending in case of electromagnetic applications. Other materials have low loss tangents at microwave frequencies. Freshimprovements have allowedcomplex materials with enhanced permittivity and permeability and printed. 3D Printing permits the shape to get changed so that the designersof antenna are notany longer forced to flat out the substrates. Beneath the antenna patch electric fields are not even so there is a possibility for extra grades of liberty by altering the geometry.



Fig1. 4: slot antenna made from 3D textile material [Wearable Antennas: Comparison of Different Concepts]

1.1.2 INKJET-PRINTING - Inkjet printing is another technique. It has the benefits that it does not need a mask and has high resolution. But thewidth of the conductor is constrained to approx. 1 micron. Itmeans that it is very hard to print it on textile material that are absorbent in nature and a high degree surface unevennessas compared to metallization width.

Conductivity of ink is around one MS/m. So it is difficult to-do inkjet printing at lower frequency and attainpractical efficiency. One method of avoidingsurface roughness is to first screen print aboundary on top of fabric. It will provide even surface to the inkjetprinter antennas.

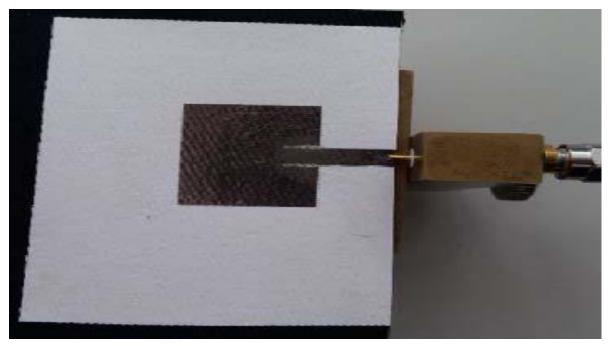


Fig1. 5: Patch antenna fabrication through ink-jet printing [Wearable Antennas: Comparison of Different Concepts]

1.1.3 EMBROIDED ANTENNAS – Embroider antenna is astriking technique for wearable technology. Special conducting threads are used that include a coreof polymer and also a silver / nickel outer coatings present. These are madefor the purpose of their conductivity and should beheld with care. Benefits of using embroidery are not needing glue, single work process and appropriateness for large scale manufacturing. The thread is quiet expensive but the cost is likely to decrease. Resolution of the embroidery technology is about 0.5 mm which means limitation in terms of frequency maxima. The coat of metal is quiet thinner than thread diameter. It is also somewhat made of nickel to get adhesion and that is why conductivity is less than copper. So frequency range is restricted by skin depth at the lesser frequency and attainable resolution at larger frequency. The direction in which stitching is done is important. The current likes to travel along the thread other than than jumping from thread to thread. So, the direction of stitch should be parallel to the direction of flow of current to get largest efficiency. The Patch antennas are two dimensional structures and current suppers on surface in two direction. That is why patch antenna are not good

forembroidery. Linear antennas like spiral, fractal antennas are somewhat good applicants for embroidery for the optimization and reducing the length of thread.

Fig1.6: Embroidered antenna patch [Electronics 2014, 3,314-338; doi: 10.3390/electronics3020314]

1.1.4 THIN AND UNIFORM METALLIZATION CONDUCTIVE SECTION- This is a method which is fastest for the manufacture of one or small number of antennas but in case of mass production of antennas it is perhaps slower than rest of the techniques for its manual work which is required and consumes more time. Usually, themethod is sensible for untried antennas prototype but it may not be appropriate for long term answers. It is very easy to stick acopper tape or foil on substrate but it is also likely that the copper tape may get separate while bending or due to the environment conditions such as heat or humidity .A solution to circumvent is having the antenna permanently to be stick on the clothing is to use Velcro connectors.

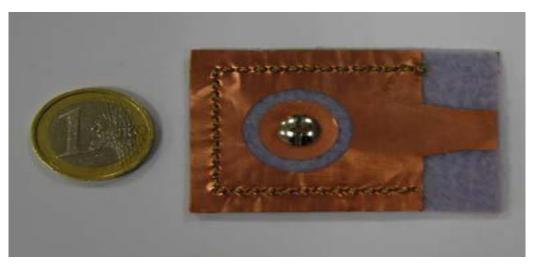


Fig1.7:Wearable antenna, self-adhesive copper tape [Wearable Antennas: Comparison of Different Concepts]

Using these fabrication technique we can implement the antenna design for wearable technology. Most of the wearable women safety devices available in the market use a non-rechargeable battery which is not desirable most of the times. One solution to overcome this problem is use energy harvesting and develop energy harvesting antennas.

The use of renewable energies to power electronics devices is not a new concept. The process of extracting energy from the ambient environment to generate electricity is termed as energy harvesting or energy scavenging. This energy can be harvested from various sources available in the ambient environment such as thermal energy, mechanical energy, and radiant energy.

	Solar Energy	Thermal	Ambient RF	Piezoelectric Energy	
		Energy	Energy	Vibration	Push Button
Power	100Mw/cm^2	60uW/cm^2	0.0002-	200uW/cm^2	50uJ/N
Density			1uW/cm^2		
Output	0.5V	-	3-4V	10-25V	100-10000V

Available	4-8Hrs	Continuous	Continuous	Activity	Activity
Time				Dependent	Dependent
Pros	Large amount	Always	Antenna can	Light weight	Light weight and
	of energy	available	be integrated	and Well	Small volume
			onto frame	developed	
			and Widely		
			available		
Cons	Need large	Low power	Distance	Need large area	Low conversion
	area		dependent		efficiency

Table1.1: comparison of various power sources and harvested power

1.2 AMBIENT ENERGY SOURCES-

Numerous available renewable ambient energy sources exist in nature:

1.2.1 SOLAR POWER-It is the most frequently used source for high power. Solar power has highest power density of hundred mW/cm2.Photovoltaic technique has seen quiet large development over sixty years after 1st silicon based solar cell wasverified and its physical and electrical properties keep on refining. The power calculated is resolute by the dimensionof the solar panel and a number of values of the voltageand current can be made by regulating the size. But, a solar panel needs a comparatively large area to gatheradequate amounts of ambient solar power because of its low adaptation efficiency 0%–40%, and the alignment is perilous for collecting solar power.

1.2.2 THERMAL POWER-

Electrical power is made through manipulating temperature difference in the thermoelectric devices by making use of thermoelectric effects. In the opposite manner, thermoelectric material makes the temperature change if voltage applied. A thermoelectric phenomenon also is used for temperature sensor in addition for its Energy-harvesting uses. The thermoelectric

generator harvests a energy density of order 20–60 _W/cm2 as it uses human body for the heat source at a room temperature given as 18 _C–25 _C. TheThermoelectric devices functionuninterruptedly as long as there exist temperature difference among them, they are typicallyinflexible and weighty equated to rest of the energy-harvesting devices, like the solar cell. In case of the thermoelectric energy-harvesting devices characteristically they needcomparativelyhuge form factor when comes to the volume to createvaluablequantities of the power.

1.2.3 MECHANICAL POWER-In this case piezoelectric phenomenoncreates voltage or current due to the mechanical strain due to thequivering or distortion. The piezoelectric related energy harvesting devices keep on making power as long as there is non-stop motion which is mechanical which include acoustic noise, wind or periodicallycreate power for the irregularstraining like in case of human motion .Characteristicproduction power density value is of the range of piezoelectric materials about 250 _W/cm3 but they can produce large power also if the motion or deformation is strong. In case of piezoelectric energy harvesting or transducers which arepiezoelectric is awell-built technique and alsomany energy-harvesting units related to this type has been described.

In this technique capacity of piezoelectric power producers arecomparativelyminoras equated to the rest of energy harvesting device because due to the reason that aminor structure cannot be able tocreate power in these conformations. But yield power of the piezoelectric effect related power producershas a great forcefulassortment if asymmetrical signals like human motion are employed as themotivating force. Power generated commonly involves agreat voltage, less current causing alittleadaptationproductivity values.

1.2.4 AMBIENT RF ENERGY-

RF energy available in the environment iscomparatively less energy density of the value of 0.2 nW/cm2–1 _W/cm2 equated to the other available energy source. Though the larger quantity of obtainable power could getgathered by making use of a large gain antenna. Ambient energy present today of ambient RF, wireless bases keep on growing because of thegrowing wireless communication, propagationset-up for example analogue or the digital Television, FM radio, Wi-Fi lastly the cellular networks. Available RF power density typicallygreater in urban areas and nearimmediacy of power source such as tower. This RF energy reaping technique can begreatly used in charging the battery running all

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electronic devices in situationswhere it's difficult substitutingbatteries. r. The Radio frequency energy harvesting devices could getsimplycombined with diverseantenna as well as with other harvesting techniques like the the solar cell. This one is more thought-provokingbecause of precise low power density value and low RF to the dc adaptationcompetence to exploit ambient RF power when the power gatherers are not nearfrom the power sources but the reaped power could beexploited usingfittinglyimproving duty cycle of system In this case conversion efficacy from RF to DC conversion circuit like a charge pump or more appropriately a rectifier may be about 10%–30% due to less input power levels but the reapedpower which is rf couldproduce about 1.8–4.0 V. Power level of this amount sufficient enough tofunction sensors sporadically for long time that is for more than five year. The harvested powerbecomes greater when antenna gain and the energy density of environment upsurge as RF to the DCadaptationefficacy improved due to amplified input.

This type of fabrication technique and the ambient energy sourcedonate to the development of necessary antenna which can easily body worn. There are several types of antenna available some of them are briefly described below:

1.3 ANTENNA TYPES-

1.3.1 HALF WAVE DIPLOE ANTENNA -

An antenna is said to be half wave when it has half wavelength at output. In half-wave dipole antenna two conductors installed in line and leave a small gap between both conductors. The voltage is attached to the centre of both conductors. In this case length of dipoleshould be half of wavelength when there isrise in case of existence of half wave dipole but it is measured to be 0.45 time of wavelength practically. There are two poles of half-wave dipole antenna in which current flow. The flow of current and the voltages in the proposed antenna cause production of radio signal.

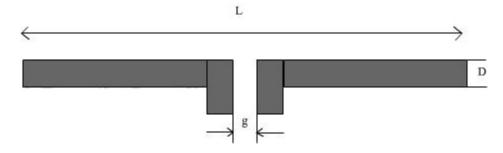


Fig1. 8: Half wave diploe antenna [Various Types of Antenna with Respect to their Applications: A Review]

1.3.2 (PIFA)PLANER INVERTED F ANTENNAS– These planer inverted F antennas are very efficient and low profile antennas useful in hand held device systems. These are used in many devices due to their characteristic. The devices working characteristics is better if the making is easy, emission of the signal is high, less covered area, impedance matching is less. The planer inverted F antennas (PIFA) are shaped as inverted F has been adjusted to the parallel part from a wire to plate. On frequency of operation these antenna make them resonate structure with unconditionally resistive weight impedance. The electrical performance of antenna is influenced by height of radiator, separation and area of the feed and variability of length and so on . Fig. 1.9 demonstrates the construction of planar inverted F antennas.

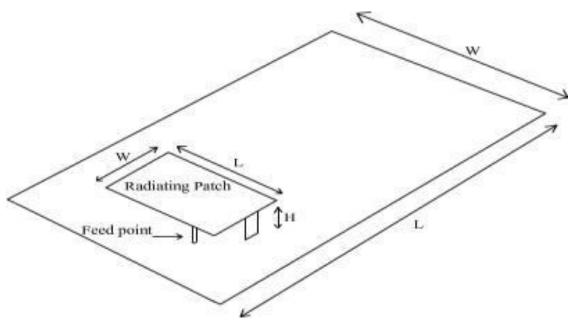


Fig1. 9: Planar type antenna [Various Types in Antenna with Respect to their Applications: A Review]

1.3.3 INVERTED F ANTENNA -

The normal for inverted-f-antenna is to give adaptability in impedance coordinating and it makes both evenly and vertically electric field. The proposed antenna is useful for indoor

communication and is very popular these days. These antennas are used for making compact devices and are efficient but not as efficient as other large scale antennas such as horn antenna, Yagi uda, dish antennas etc.

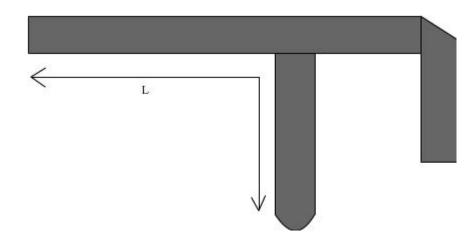


Fig1.10: Inverted f antenna [Various Types of Antenna with Respect to their Applications: A Review]

1.3.4 M SLOT FOLDED ANTENNAS -

In comparison topredictable patch antenna and other altered structure the M slot folded antenna are smaller. To get the small size of the antenna there is made a folded patch which is shorted to the ground and then electromagnetically attached to parasitic shorted patch. The outline of antenna relies on space driving a patch receiving wire. The air substrate is utilized to lessen the general size of the antenna which is related between main patch and mainly the grounds. In this case ground plane size can be taken as 9*9mmsquare andlaunching width of shorting divider can be 2.8mm. The principle patch can beloaded through means of an M slot. Thebetter data transmission capacity along superior impedance organising level can be given by M slot. Fig. 1.11 displaysconstruction of a M slot antenna.

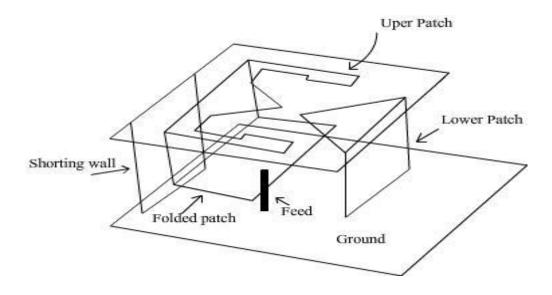


Fig 1.11: M slot antenna [Various Types of Antenna with Respect to their Applications: A Review]

These antennas weather they are compact or large play a very important role in forming the backbone of any technology. Similarly these antennas fabricated on various materials can be used for providing energy to any device by connecting them to energy storage components. So in order to provide renewable energy to any safety device we need to design an antenna that can work at desirable frequency and further can be connected to rectifier and storage devices to store energy. Thus in this project we aim at designing an antenna which is able to work at a particular ambient energy frequency and analyse the output power of the antenna.

CHAPTER 2 LITERATURE REVIEW

This chapter present the researched journals that were reviewed about antenna deigns mostly at frequencies of GSM900 and GSM1800 with a high gain. In addition this chapter covers a detail theory about an antenna and its parameters that determine its performance.

2.1 WOMEN SECURITY-

Women security is a primary concern in today's world for this many wearable technologies are present. Antennas are the essential part in these devices. The design considerations for wearable antennas are defined in [1]. In this contribution, theoretical analysis of different canonical sources placed on biological tissues. Based on the insight gained, several simple design rules will be proposed and illustrated on a practical antenna design. From this certain design rules are derived for wearable antenna .It has been shown that the level of coupling of the antenna near field to the lossy medium is the one of the key parameters to control in order to achieve low SAR and high radiation efficiency levels.

2.2 WEARABLE ANTENNA-

For wearable purpose the antenna needs to be small in size as done in [2]. This paper includes innovative wearable antennas which radiate at 5 GHz for the communication through body has been presented. This type of antenna contains a conservative micro strip patch antenna which is fixed on top of a gold base which could be used in a finger like a finger ring. The enactment of this antenna is studied using the numerical analysis. Their computer-generated results show that the antenna made this large value of peak gain. Its small size and the good radiation features make this type of antenna suitable candidate for body centric communications which are wireless and the body mounted sensor. For energy harvesting the antenna sometimes needs to be dual band or multiband as observed in [3]. In this paper one single band and the two multiband antennas are described. The Antenna 1 is a single band antenna. We use a first order koch fractal curve in snowflake to get a multiband manoeuvre. The antenna 2 is calculated with cotton as a substrate and a polycot material is used in case for antenna 3. The measurements of both antennas are made equal. First order koch

snowflake fractal curve in shape of a triangle provide four diverse resonant structures and resonate at four dissimilar frequency.

2.3 ENERGY HARVESTING TECHNOLOGY-

For energy harvesting antennas we need to find the spectrum which is most suitable for our purpose. One such spectrum analysis for RF energy harvesting is done in [4]. This paperoffers the spectrum prospects for the RF energy harvesting through the power density calculations from the range 350 MHz to 3 GHz. The main purpose of their publication is to design devices converting RF to DC providing substitute source to the power supply WSN products. They thenaccomplish that this set of frequency band with more obtainable energy harvesting are given as below:

- 750 to 759 MHz
- 934 to 960 MHz
- 1763 to 1 773 MHz
- 1854 to 1 892 MHz
- 2115 to 2 160 MHz
- 2404 to 2 468 MHz.

They also designed a single band antenna to work at GSM900 band. Their frequency bands ranging from 934 to 960 MHz are the most regularly present frequencies in terms power and bandwidth. In [5] there is a scope for spectrum opportunities for the RF energy harvesting doneby power density calculations from the range of 350 MHz to 3 GHz have been identified. Based on thiscredentials we conclude that the most hopeful opportunities are a dual band printed antenna operating at a frequency range of GSM band 900/1800 is projected. If Oncee a spectrum analysis is done on this then we need to design a good RF energy harvesting antenna and for this to make possible many scientist have established number of ideas such as given in [6]. This paper grants a energy harvesting device for the body centric sensor system. The projected device includes the spiral textile antenna combined with simple rectifier circuit usually simple. This antenna is designed and contrived by embroidery conductive thread in the denim material given. The efficiency of energy harvested device need to be as great as possible due to its limitation of limited hypotheticallycomposed power. To improve amount of voltage obtained they have afterwards turned their attention to other circuit topologies and they settled to use a three stage Cockcroft Walton cascaded rectifier circuit . The principal problem thatascends n the implementation of

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this planned harvesting circuit is that of itsminor conversion efficiency which occurs as of the nonlinearity of diodes and low available power at the input of the antenna given.

In the [7] a relative study of the antenna design for RF energy harvesting is proposed. In this paper several antenna designs of rectenna is discussed and associated with mainly the emphasis on antenna size lessening and harmonic rejection also the re configurability in terms of frequencies and also the polarization. Among a large number of various antennas used in rectenna the micro strip patch antenna is selected for the assessment and judgement because due to the simplicity and the ease of fabrication. Various otherarrangements of the micro strip patch antenna which is different from the predictable shapes are also examined with description of the alteration made in the design to get a reduced size also aharmonic rejection functional and a re configurable antenna in the polarization and of a frequency. This paper is co-operative inrealising behaviour of the patch antenna in diversesituations. In paper number [8] dual band antenna for a energy harvesting system in the wireless sensor network is suggested. The harvesting RF energy which is ambient and then changing the harvested power to a more useful dc power requires a very vigilant design. With the general objective of the RF energy harvesting, emphasis on development and fabrication and classification of the dual band antenna designed as for serving as receiving antenna is done in this. It is also experiential that antenna is resonating at 2.47GHz along with 4.93GHz and also 5.69GHz range. These patches are particularly appropriate for theslender bandwidth presentations. Consequently the testfor this is to enlarge the bandwidth so as to make the antenna appropriate for wideband and energy harvesting atmosphere.

As discussed earlier GSM900 and GSM1800 are the most suitable band for energy harvesting for the proposed project. We see that there is a textile antenna used for EM energy harvesting at the range of GSM900 and also DCS1800 is debated in [9]. This paper grants the design of 2 textile antennas which areappropriate for harvesting energy in the given GSM900 and DCS 1800 band range. Mathematicalimitations of thisprojected antenna is made from which weperceived that these type of antenna they give an operating frequency range which is capable of entirelycasing 880-960 MHz and 1710-1880 MHz range and future work could beproposed to appraise human body occurrence in the presentation of the given antenna and generate a moremalleable and a wearable antenna with the definedclassification. In paper number [10] there is a textile antenna for the purpose of RF energy harvesting fully implanted in some clothing. This paper shows a smart coat with a dual band textile antenna for the application of the Radio Frequency energy harvesting systemfunctioning at the range

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of gsm 900 and dsc1800 bands, which is completelyfixed in the garment or the coat. For this results areattained before and after incorporation of the antenna system inside the the garment and are equated and there is an similarity between the computer-generated and measured results. Other than clothing the energy harvesting system could be employed on the jewellery and this is discussed as in paper no. [11]. In this paper we present a wearable energy harvesting antenna in the form of a necklace which isappropriate for driving smart jewellery. The design comprises of a u shaped dipole antenna along with a matching network an rf to dc converter and a dc to dc converter. Thisantenna systemchanges a 915 MHz rf signal to a relentless 3.1 V dc output which provides an output power up to the value of 106.5 uW. We see that beyond distance of 3.7m this input power is not sufficient to upholda 3.1V. Future work could be be done for order of reducing the RF to DC converted volume and improve the completearrangement efficiency.

2.4 FABRICATION TECHNIQUE-

Many fabrication techniques were discussed earlier for wearable antennas one amongst them all which is very appealing is inkjet technology. A wearable antenna realised on textile using inkjet printing is discussed in the [12]. There is a screen printed boundary layer which was used to decrease the roughness of the surface of the given polyester or the cotton material that enabled the printing of unceasing conducting surface. The conducting ink that was used to generate 3 inkjet printed micro strip antennas was silver. The inkjet printed antenna could be producedstraight from the final design without even having the urgency orneed to screen print first and that is why this technique allows speedymanufacture for the low dimensions with the suppleness for all the tailored design. In order to evaluate the presentation of this inkjet printed antennawe compared three antenna to on a etched patch on a small loss substrate. The output or the behaviour of these antenna was calculated inside a anechoic chamber. The results were that only when one layer of ink is used the output is good but is was significantly improved by a second layer of silver. This could be advantageous at higher frequencies where the skin depth is of a smaller amount.

CHAPTER 3 METHODOLOGY

In an effort to improve the quality of our lives we aim at designing a micro strip patch antenna which would contribute mainly in providing renewable energy to safety devices and the following measures were made to achieve so:

- A lot of research was made on the availability of a renewable energy source for the devices available in the market but none was found to use a renewable energy source.
- Out of the numerous available renewable energy sources such as thermal ,RF energy etc. we decided to use the ambient RF energy available in the environment
- The frequency of operation of the patch antenna will be 900MHz
- The antenna is a wearable antenna and it will be attached to a leather belt whose dimensions will be defined later in the results
- For wearable purpose the antenna designed is a micro strip patch antenna
- Micro strip patch is an ideal choice for integrated into clothes or accessories using fabric substrate materials which suitable for human on body application.
- The characteristics of the project will be low manufacturing cost, small design, and desirable output power and easy to use
- For antenna designing purpose two software's are used namely MATLAB and CST MWS.

3.1 MATLAB-

The MATLAB is called high performance language because of its technical computing. This incorporatescalculation, conception, also programming in a very easy environment where all the problems and their solutions can bearticulated in a similar mathematical representation, typical uses of MATLABcomprise:

- 1. Computation and maths
- 2. Improvement of algo
- 3. Demonstrating, recreation, also prototyping

- 4. Analysis of the data, investigation, visualization
- 5. Development of application which include Graphic user Interface building up

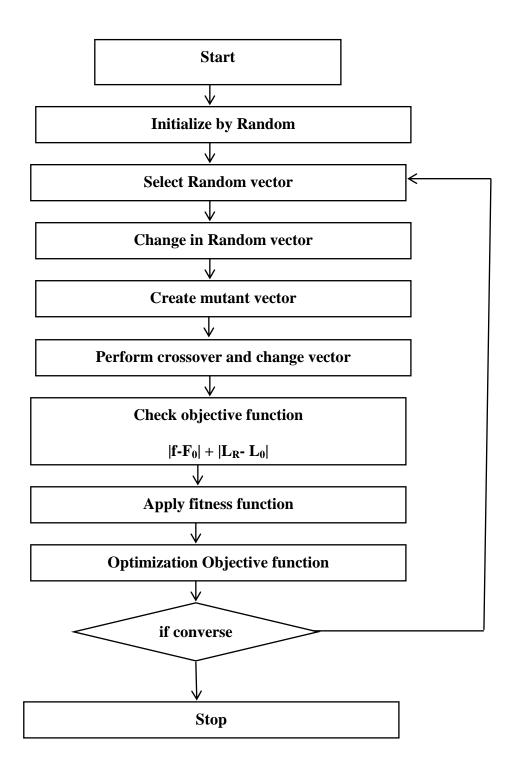


Fig 3.1: Flow chart of differential optimization in MATLAB

The antenna used is optimised to get the appropriate length and width of the micro strip antenna to fit on the leather belt. The appropriate length for all women body types chosen can be 39.5". The thickness of leather belt is 3.3mm and the dielectric constant is 2.95.

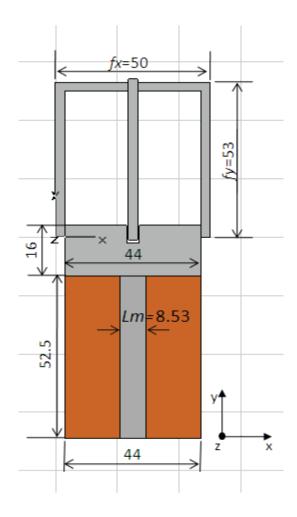


Fig3.2: Belt dimension [STUDY OF A BELT ANTENNA]

This method is used for optimization of the antenna parameters is called differential optimization and is usually practiced in the MATLAB. This type of input offers function for calculating the optimum parameters making use of the evolutionary procedure. If Simply speaking suppose you have a complex function for which you are incapable of computing the derivative and you want to find its parameters byreducing output of the given function using this type of platform is one of many possible ways. The fundamental of this optimization is Evolution of Differential algorithm.

3.2 CST MWS-

CST microwave studio is a simulation software used to design high frequency components. We designed the antenna and used the transient solver. All solvers are based on solving Maxwell's equation in differential form. Time element solver is fast and takes less memory. The Fourier analysis converts differential equation to algebraic equation. The parameters obtained after optimization in MATLAB were used to design the antenna in CST. The material used for the patch and the ground is copper as copper tapes are easily available in the market and are less pricey. The substrate initially used was leather on which the antenna would be fabricated but the S11 due to losses the substrate used was altered and leather is not used. The frequency of operation is 900MHz coming from the mobile towers.

These two software's are mainly used in designing the antenna and the results obtained will be shown in the upcoming chapters. These methodologies were adopted to design the antenna and analyse the power output and the various losses.

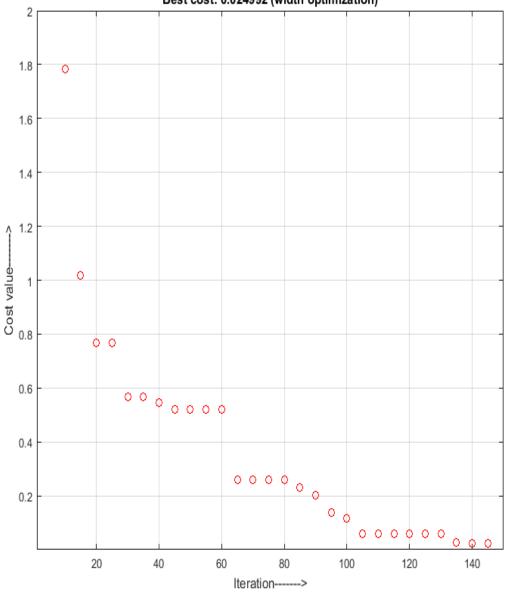
CHAPTER 4

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In this thesis work the antenna was designed using MATLAB software and CST microwave studio. The length and width of the antenna was found out to be inappropriate for its future fabrication on belt so and differential technique was applied on MATLAB to obtain the dimension of the micro strip patch antenna and using these dimensions the antenna was designed and simulated in CST MWS version 2016 and the various parameters such as S11, power, losses, radiation pattern were observed. The results are shown below

4.1MATLAB-

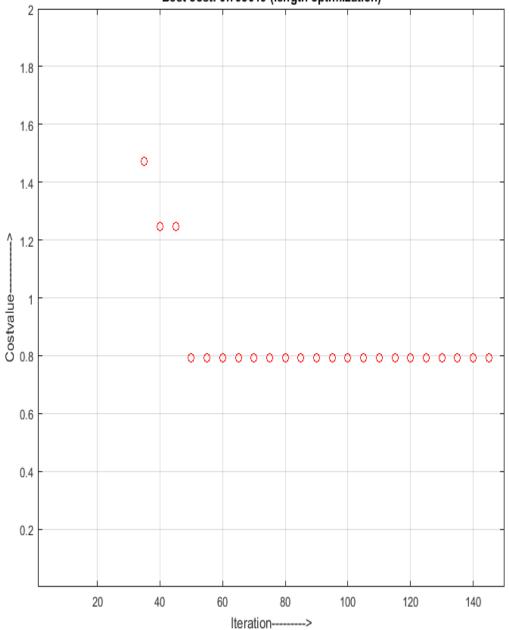
• The width of the antenna was optimised as below



Best cost: 0.024992 (width optimization)

Fig4.1: width of antenna after optimization in MATLAB

• Length of antenna after optimization



Best cost: 0.793019 (length optimization)

Fig4.2: Length of antenna using differential optimization

4.2 CST MWS-

• The design of the antenna is shown below

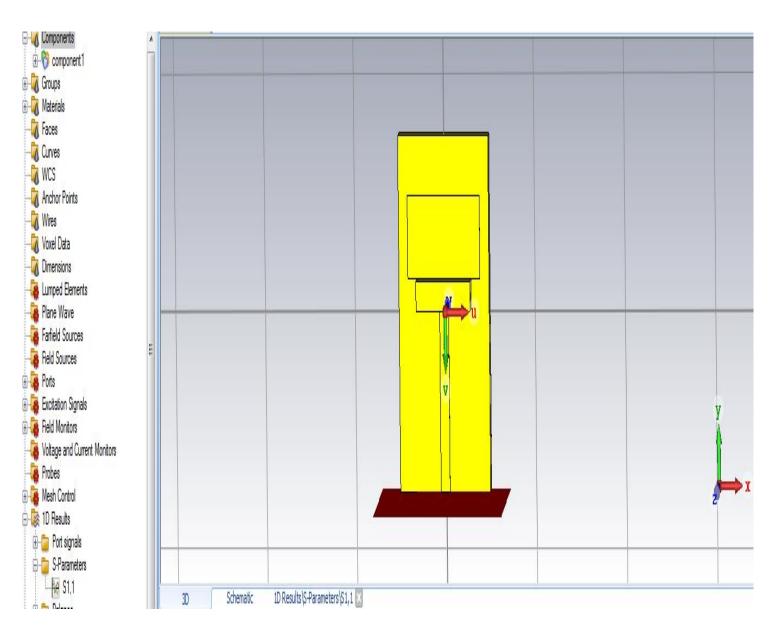
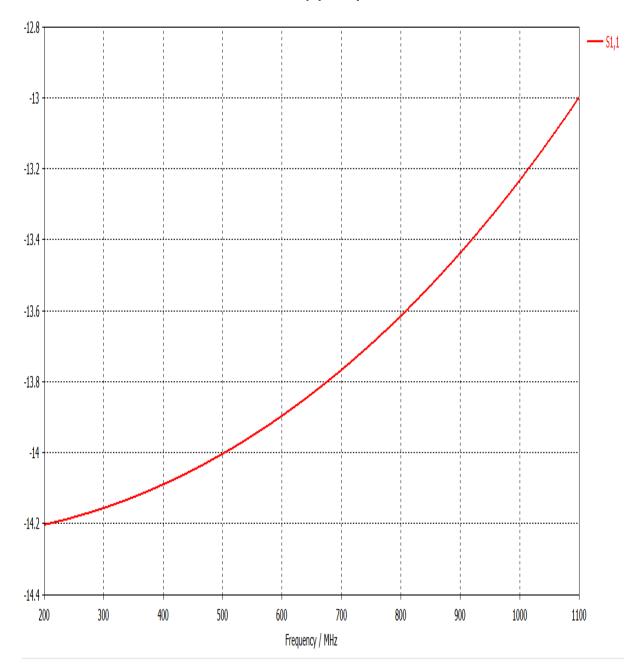


Fig4.3: Antenna design in CST

• The S11 parameter of the antenna is shown



S-Parameters [Magnitude in dB]

Fig4.4: S11 parameter for the antenna design

CHAPTER 5 CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

We can affirm that the low power energy harvesting is a very unique and useful technology in today's world. This is a very useful technology in powering devices such as GPS etc. and the backbone for this technology is the antenna which forms the basic building block of the energy harvesting system. The antenna has been designed and simulated at the operating frequency of 900MHz. It can be made using copper tape on a leather belt and antenna array can be used to provide sufficient power to the devices by connecting the output of antenna to a rectifier to convert AC in DC and store the energy in a storage device. Thus as a future scope the hardware of this antenna can be designed and connect to rectifier for DC output which will power a small device such as portable GPS for various applications.

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