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# A Small Printed Dipole UWB Antenna for Mobile Handset Applications

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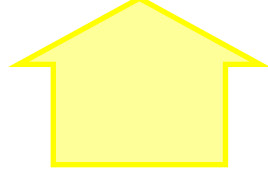
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# Motivation

- Requirements on antennas
  - For digital TV, DVD player, digital camcorder, notebook computer
    - Cheap manufacturing cost
    - Possibility of integration with the system board
    - Impedance bandwidth, gain and phase requirements
  - Additional requirements for mobile handsets
    - **Small form factor**
    - Omni-directional radiation pattern

Classic theory on antenna size

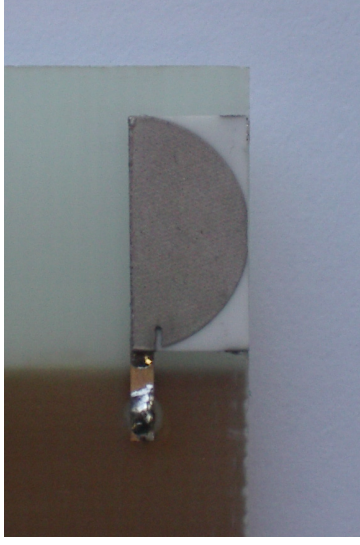
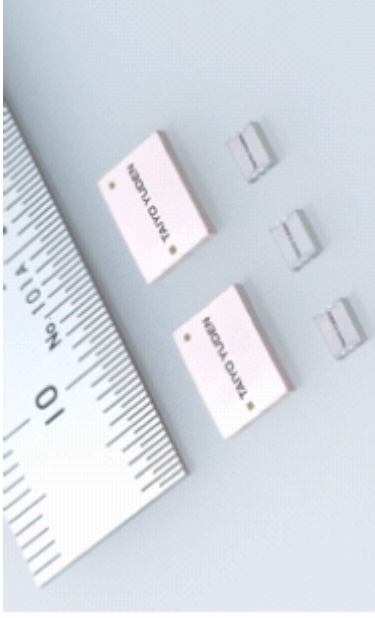
Minimum size of UWB antenna  
(3.1-10.6GHz) is about  
**30mm**



Use “ceramic antenna configuration”

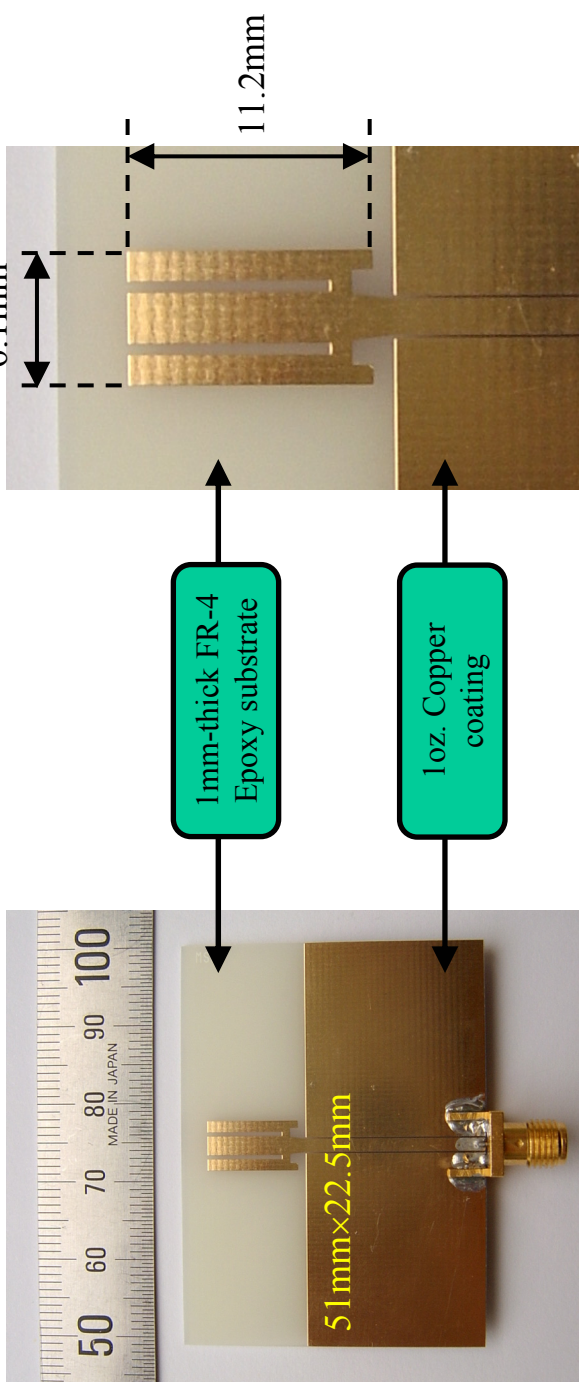
- Make the system board part of the antenna
- Minimize the size of the radiating element

## Previous/related work



- Taiyo-Yuden/TRDA's ceramic chip UWB antenna
  - Announced in June 2004
  - Ceramic chip size: 8mm×6mm×1mm
- Samsung's ceramic UWB antenna
  - Reported in May 2004 in UWBST 2004
  - Ceramic chip size: 10mm×5mm×1mm
  - Semi-circular conductor patch on a single layer of ceramic

# Antenna structure



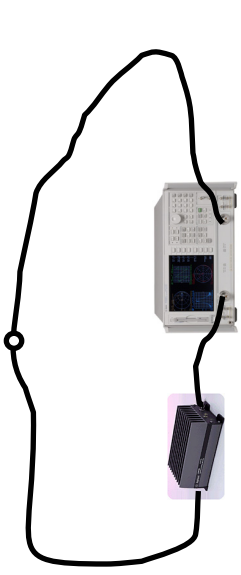
- Planar structure
  - Planar dipole antenna with a Co-Planar Waveguide (CPW) feed
  - Direct feeding arrangement can be used as well.
  - Ground plates of different shapes and sizes can be used.
  - **Electric components can be mounted on the central portion of the ground plate.**
- The radiating element
  - Size: 6.1mm x 11.2mm

## Main features

- Completely planar structure
- Can be produced with PCB technology
- Does not use ceramic material → near-zero manufacturing cost

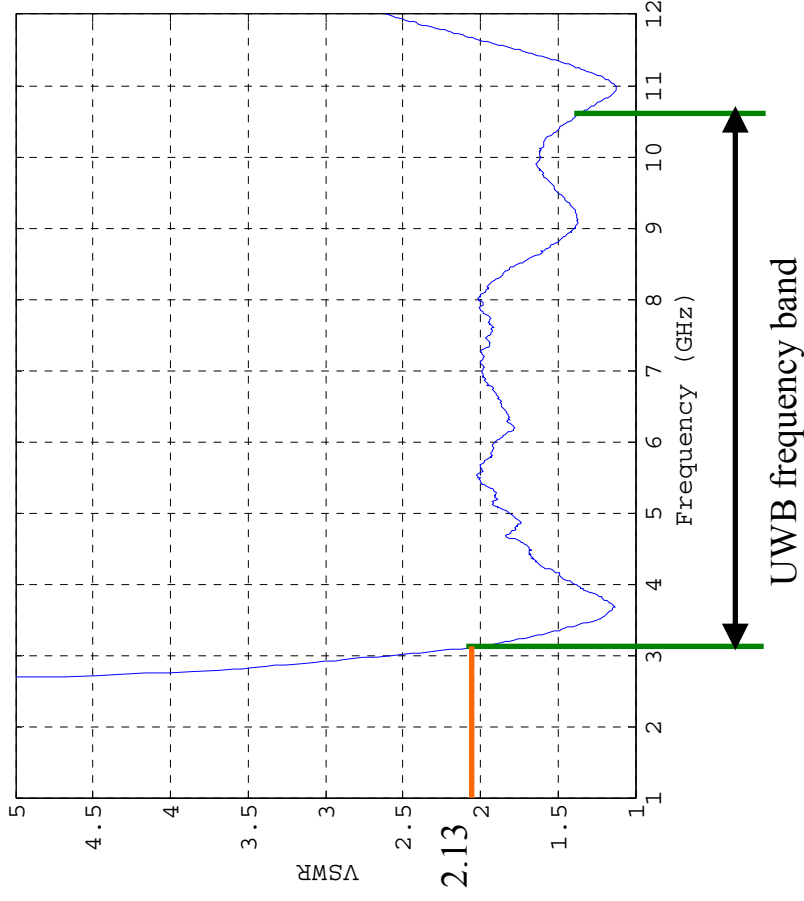
# Measurement procedure

1. Cable through
  - Measure the effect of cable+amplifier
  - Beware of high received power level
2. Horn-Horn
  - Use #1 to remove cable+amp effect
  - “Take the square root” to get the gain and phase response of a single horn
3. Horn-AUT
  - Use #1 to remove cable+amp effect
  - Use #2 to remove horn effect



# Measurement(1/9)

VSWR

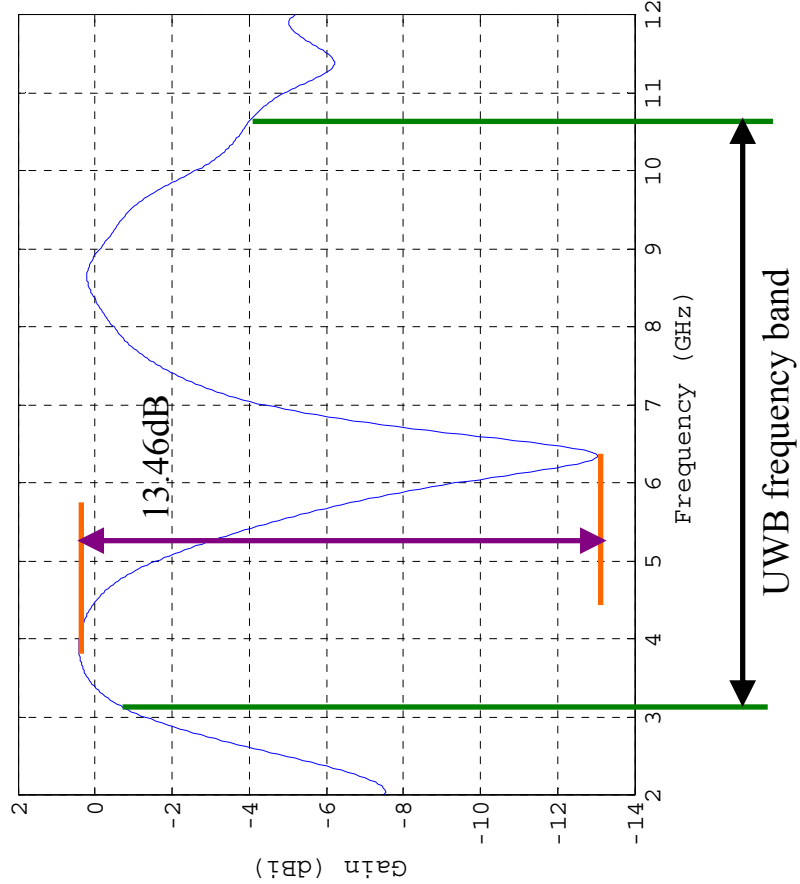


- $VSWR < 2.13$  for  $3.1\text{GHz} < f < 10.6\text{GHz}$
- $VSWR < 2$  for  $f > 3.14\text{GHz}$

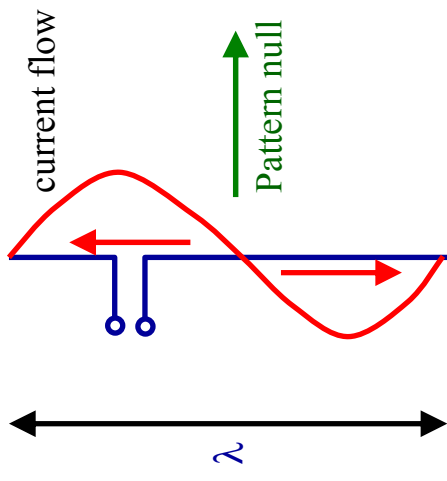


# Measurement(2/9)

Gain (boresight)



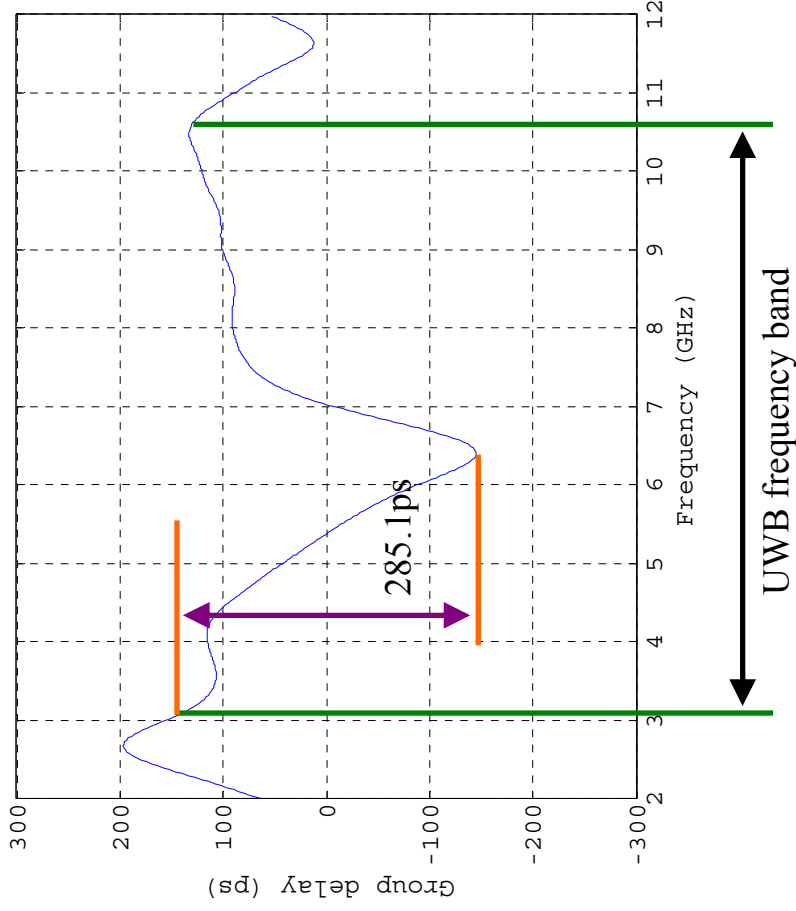
A wire dipole with an off-center feed



- Max gain=0.41dBi @ f=3.9GHz
- Min gain=-13.05dBi @ f=6.35GHz
- There exists a pattern null @ f=6.35GHz
  - Due to the off-center feed of the dipole antenna

# Measurement(3/9)

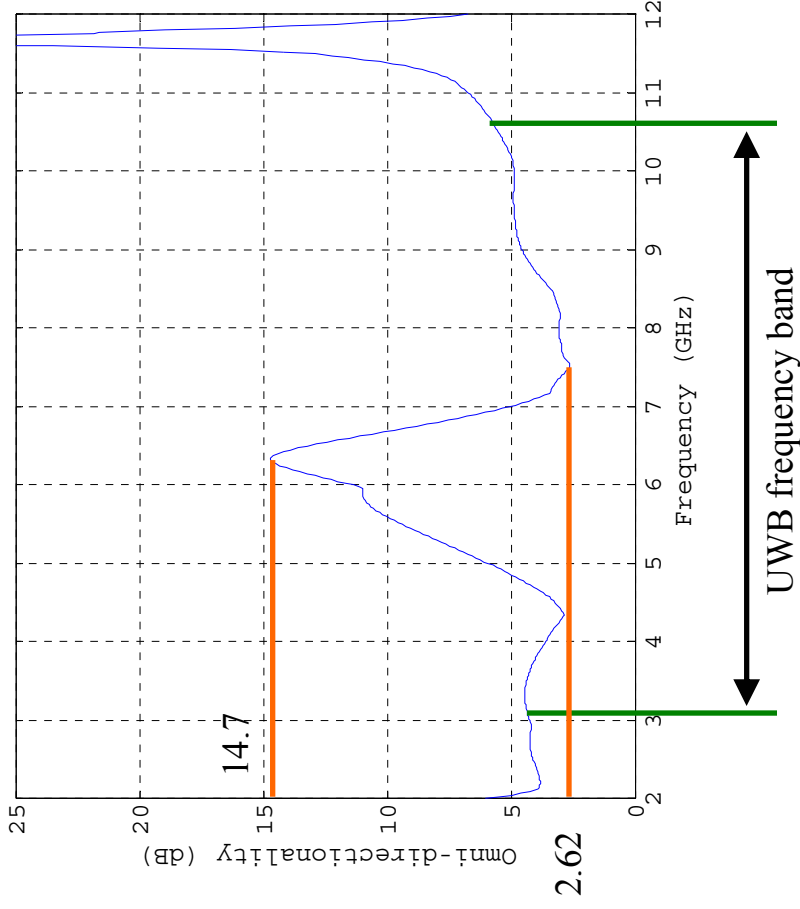
## Group delay (boresight)



- Maximum group delay variation = 285.1ps
- The space wave propagation factor has been calibrated out.
  - So that the measured value reads close to time zero

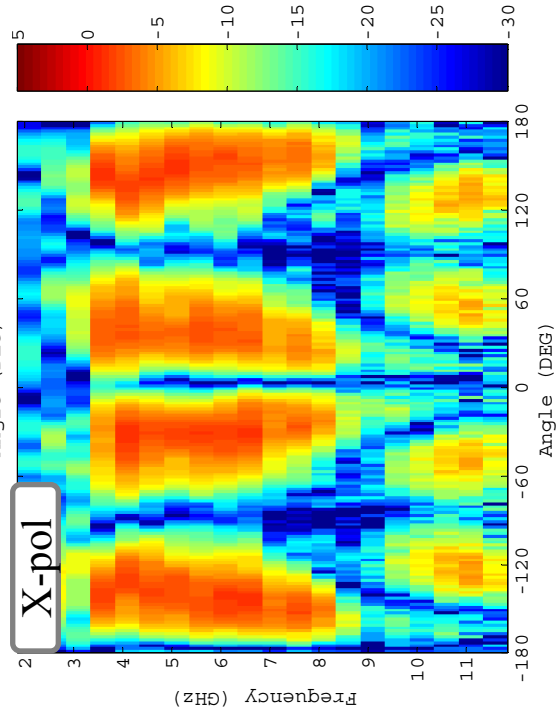
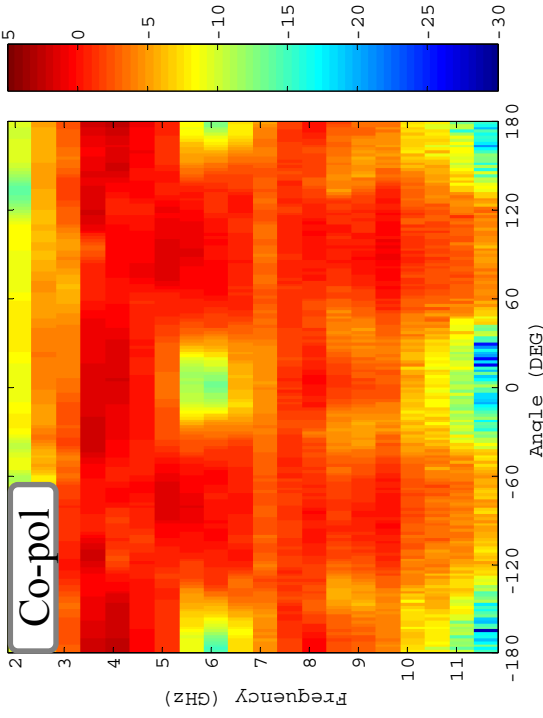
# Measurement(4/9)

## Omni-directionality

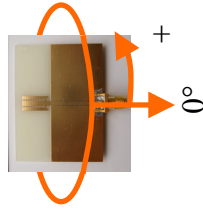
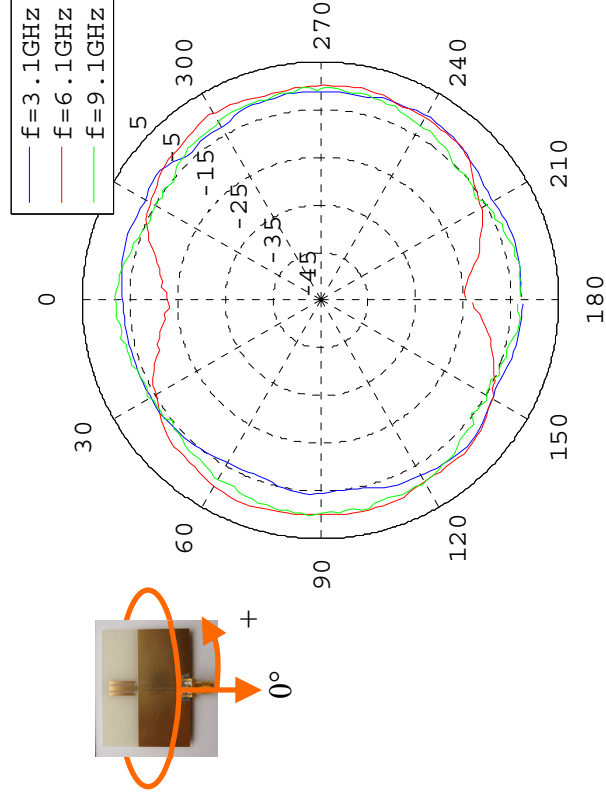


- Omni-directionality=max gain/min gain (on the azimuth plane)
- Max. omni-directionality=14.7dB @ 6.33GHz
- Min. omni-directionality=2.62dB @ 7.53GHz

# Measurement(5/9)



Gain pattern (azimuth)



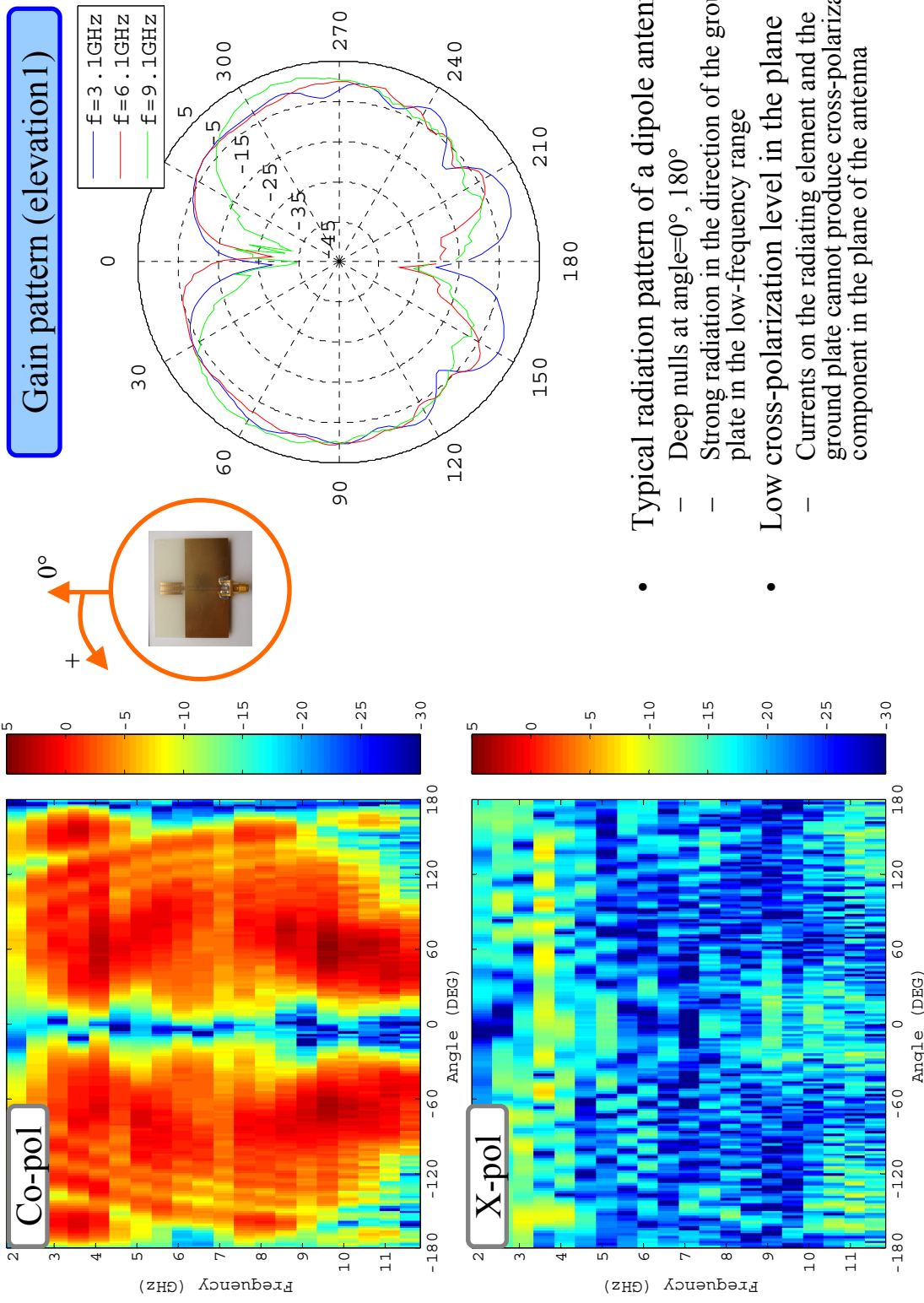
- The main beam changes direction with frequency

- For  $f < 4.5\text{GHz}$ , it is in the boresight direction
- For  $f > 4.5\text{GHz}$ , the main beam splits and points in the edge-on direction

- High level of cross-polarization component

- Very strong at an angle from boresight
- Caused by large current flowing in the horizontal directions

# Measurement(6/9)



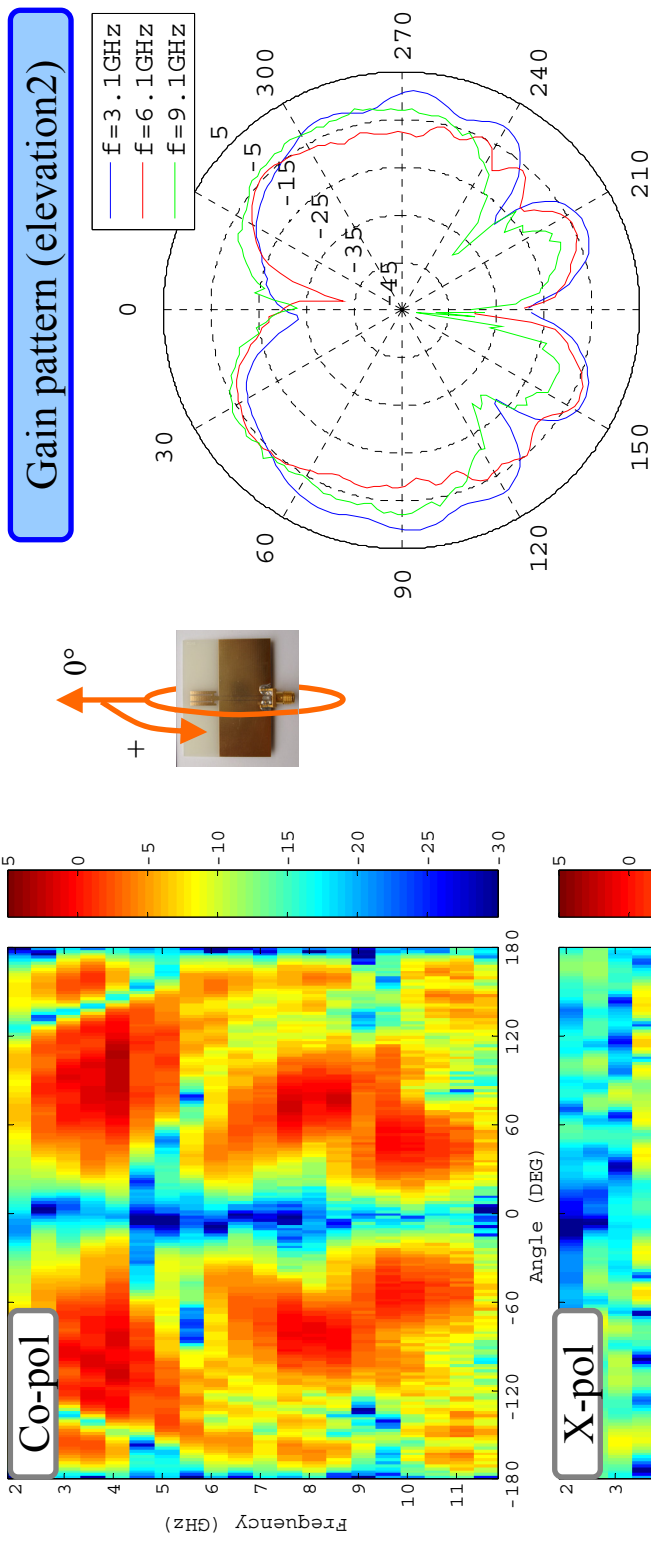
Co-pol

X-pol

Gain pattern (elevation 1)

- Typical radiation pattern of a dipole antenna
  - Deep nulls at angle=0°, 180°
  - Strong radiation in the direction of the ground plane in the low-frequency range
- Low cross-polarization level in the plane
  - Currents on the radiating element and the ground plane cannot produce cross-polarization component in the plane of the antenna

# Measurement(7/9)



• Radiation pattern of a dipole antenna

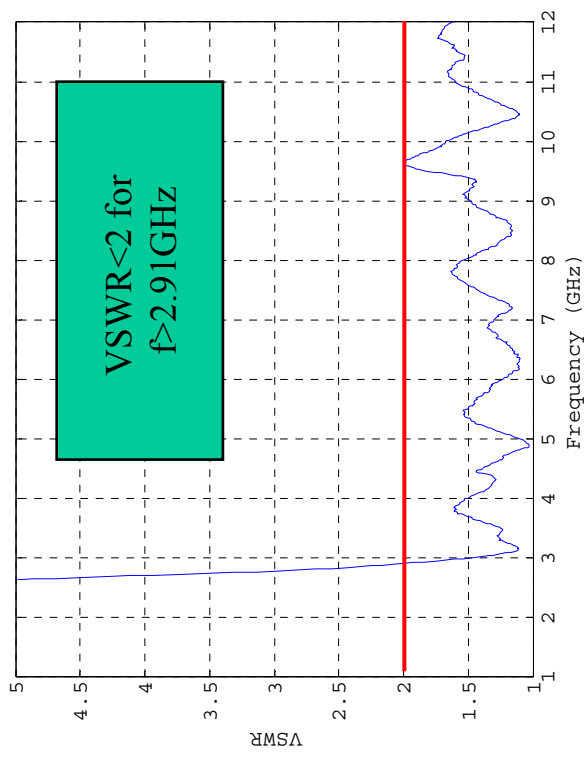
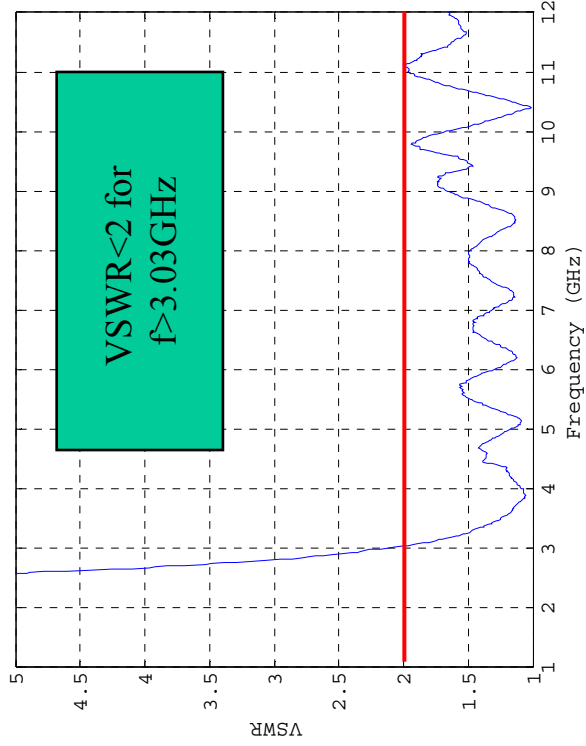
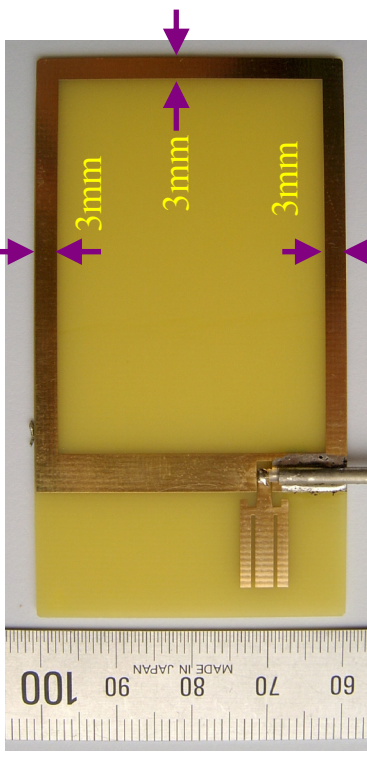
- Nulls at angle=0°, 180°
  - The main beam points above the horizon in the high-frequency range
  - Weaker radiation than in the elevation plane 1
- Low cross-polarization level in the plane
- It is due to the cancellation effect of horizontally flowing currents.
  - Cross-pol level expected to rise off the observation plane

# Measurement(8/9)

Different ground shape and size



Central portion of ground removed

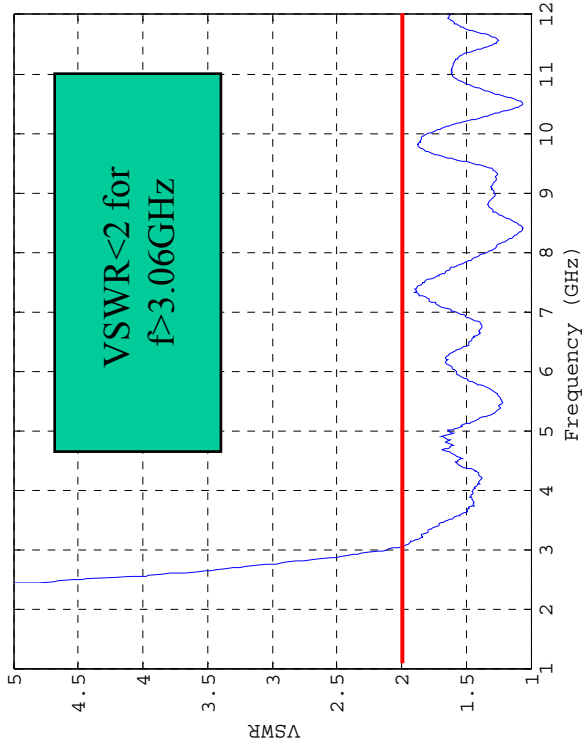
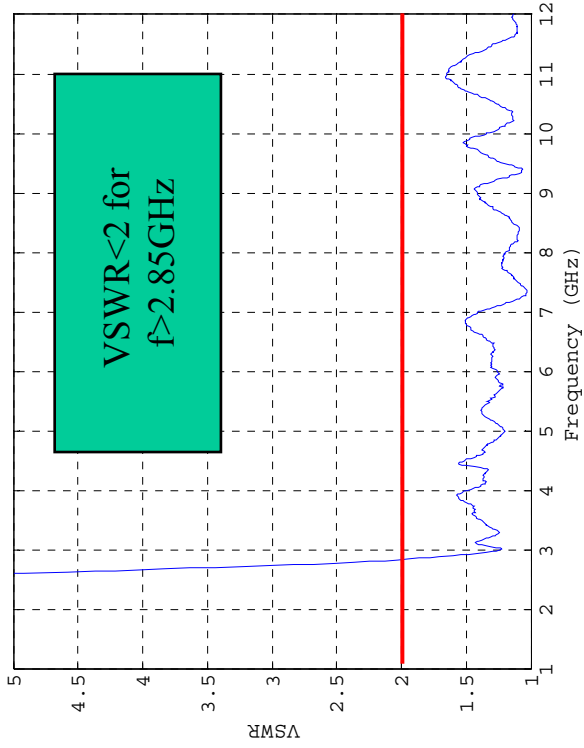
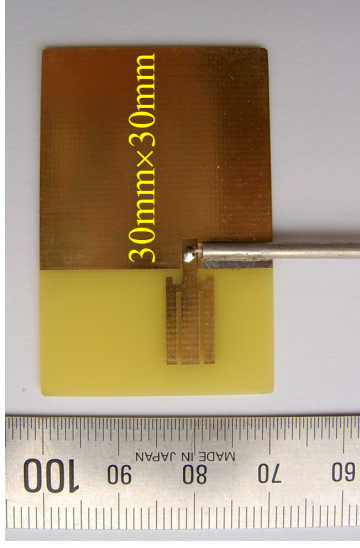


# Measurement(9/9)

Central portion of ground removed



Smaller ground plate





# Conclusions

1. A printed dipole UWB antenna with a small radiating element has been presented.
  - Designed with focus on completely planar realization with small radiating element size
  - The dipole uses the ground plane of the system board as part of the antenna.
  - Operable over the entire UWB band
  - The off-center feed results in large gain variation(13.46dB) and makes the main beam slightly tilt toward the ground plane.
  - Boresight group delay variation = 285.1ps
  - Omni-directionality w.r.t. frequency = 14.7dB Max.
2. Other features
  - Does not need expensive ceramic process
  - Can be manufactured completely with PCB technology
  - Electronic components can be mounted on the central portion of the ground plate without affecting the antenna performance.
3. Applications
  - Suitable for mobile handset applications