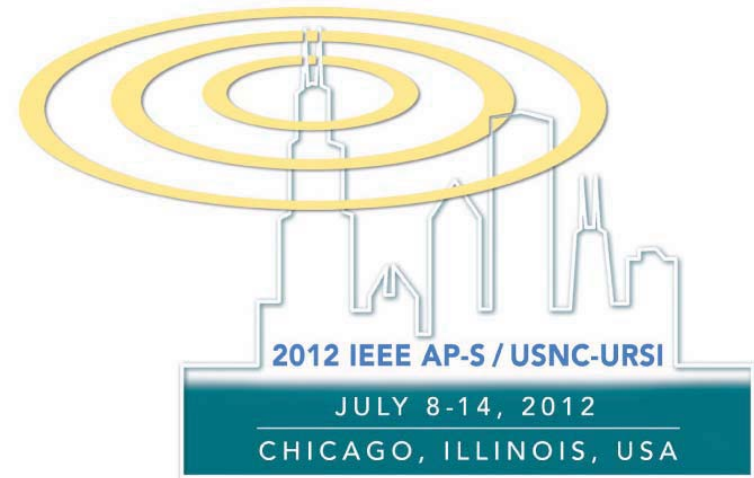


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# Design of a Miniaturized Branch Line Coupler Using Common Defected Ground Structure

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**Abstract**— A design of size-reduced 90° branch line coupler (BLC) is described in this work. A common defected ground structure (CDGS) is adopted to design the coupler. Common DGS patterns are realized on the common ground plane of double-sided microstrip lines of which ground planes are attached to each other back-to-back. The CDGS patterns play a great role in size-reduction of microwave circuits. As an example, a BLC is designed, fabricated and measured at 1GHz for the verification of the size-reduction using CDGS. The size of the fabricated coupler is less than 50% of the normal one without any critical degradation in performances. The measured S-parameters well agree with the simulation results.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Recently, microstrip lines having modified ground structures (MGS) such as photonic bandgap (PBG) and defected ground structure (DGS), and their applications to microwave circuits have been studied widely [1-4]. PBG and DGS patterns inserted on the ground plane of transmission lines add the equivalent inductive and capacitive elements to transmission lines, change the characteristic impedances and effective dielectric constant, and produce a slow-wave effect. These properties have been applied successfully to size-reduction and performance improvement of microwave circuits [5,6]. Especially, interest and study for DGS are increasing widely because the equivalent circuit elements are extracted relatively clearly and even a few element show advantages of modified ground structures.

DGS patterns for microstrip lines are realized by etching off a geometrical pattern on the ground plane under the microstrip signal line. However, even the circuit has been reduced with a certain ratio by inserting DGS, the final circuit size still depends on the frequency strongly. Therefore, the effort for miniaturization is again required even after the first try has been done with DGS for relatively low microwave region.

In this work, a common DGS (CDGS) is introduced for double-sided microstrip lines for the purpose of the second size-reduction. The basic idea is shown in Fig. 1. If there is a microstrip line having DGS patterns, it can be folded and become a double-sided microstrip lines of which ground planes are attached to each other back-to-back, so DGS patterns are imposed to both ground planes commonly.

A miniaturized branch line coupler (BLC) is designed using the proposed CDGS, fabricated, and measured as an example in this work. First, previous DGS patterns are inserted to a normal

BLC for the first effort to reduce the size. After then CDGS patterns are used for the second try of miniaturization. As the result of design, the circuit size is only around 50% of the normal size due to CDGS.

One of prominent advantages of the proposed method is that it is possible to reduce the circuit size by less than 50% with the performances preserved to be similar or the same. The proposed method will be verified through the measured data.

## II. STRUCTURE OF COMMON DGS MICROSTRIP LINE

Fig. 1(a) shows the microstrip line with dumb-bell shaped DGS patterns on the ground plane realized. Rectangular defects and connecting slot add the equivalent inductance and capacitance to the normal microstrip line, respectively. So the electrical length of the DGS microstrip line is longer than that of the standard line for the same physical length.

If the microstrip line in Fig. 1(a) is folded in order for DGS patterns to be overlapped at the same position, then the DGS is seen commonly by top and bottom microstrip lines as shown in Fig. 1(b). Two signal lines are connected by the several vias, called as “signal via”, surround a slot-window which isolates the signal vias from ground plane. The study for signal transition between top and bottom microstrip lines has been done already by Casares-Miranda et al.[7,8].

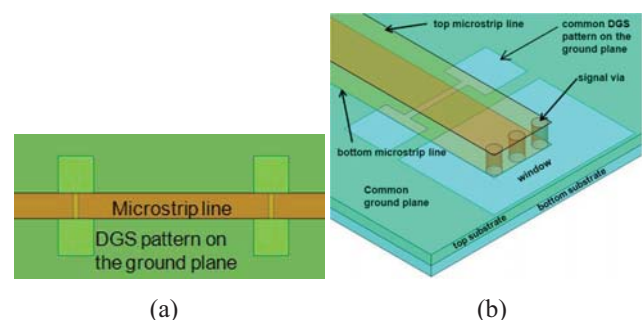


Fig. 1 (a) A microstrip line with DGS patterns and (b) 3-d view of the folded microstrip line

## III. DESIGN OF MINIATURIZED BRANCH LINE COUPLER

Fig. 2(a)~(c) show three branch line couplers (BLCs). Those are normal BLC, size-reduced layout by DGS, and finally miniaturized layout using CDGS. P1 to P4 represent the input, through, coupling, and isolation port, respectively. If the layout in Fig. 2(b) is folded along the vertical center line, then

Fig. 2(c) is obtained. For the purpose of simple comparison only by horizontal length, no DGS pattern has been combined with the line between P1 and P4 although it is possible to do so. Obviously, the final BLC in Fig. 2(c) has the smallest size with the ratio of less than 50% from the initial design. It is noted that Fig. 2(a)~(c) well illustrate the advantage of DGS and CDGS serially when they are inserted into microwave circuits.

Fig. 3(a) shows the fabricated prototype of the BLC and Fig. 3(b) the top and bottom layouts of the first substrate. The dielectric constant and thickness of the substrate are 2.2 and 31mils, respectively.

Fig. 4 illustrates the predicted S-parameters of the designed BLC. The full-wave simulation has been performed by Ansoft HFSS. Even there is minor shift of center frequency from 1 GHz to 1.06 GHz, the performances well prove that the final design is an acceptable BLC.

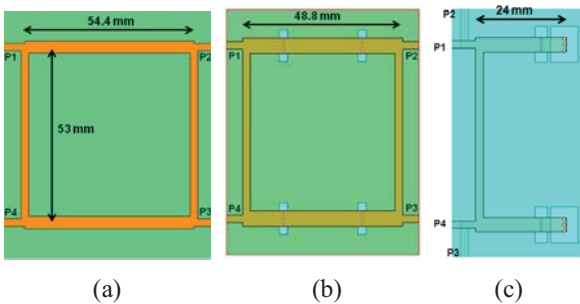


Fig. 2 Branch line couplers at 1GHz (a) normal layout (b) size-reduced one by DGS (c) final design using CDGS

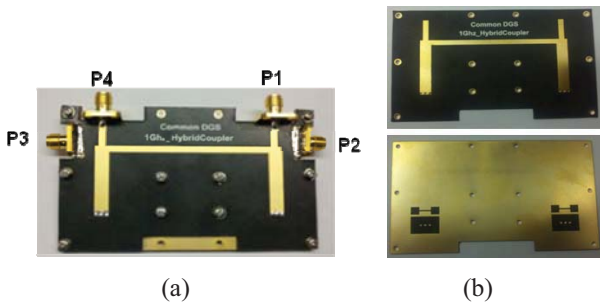


Fig. 3 Fabricated BLHC using CDGS (a) photo of the circuit (b) photo of the bottom plate of the upper substrate

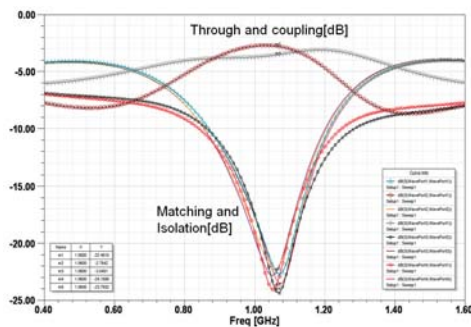


Fig. 4 Simulated S-parameters of the BLHC

Fig. 5(a) and (b) show the measured performances of the fabricated BLC. The measured S21 and S31 are -3.1 dB and -

3.3 dB respectively, and the matching and isolation are less than -20 dB. The measured error of the phase difference between port 2 and port 3 is 2.06 degrees. It is seen that the measured S-parameters well agree with the simulated ones.

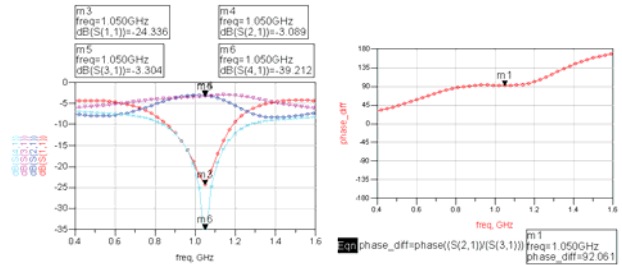


Fig. 5 Measured performances of the BLHC (a) S-parameters (b) phase difference

#### IV. CONCLUSION

A miniaturized branch line coupler has been designed using a common DGS and double-sided microstrip line. The double-sided microstrip line has been formed by bending the existing long microstrip line and inserting signal vias to connect the signal lines vertically. Common DGS patterns were realized on the common ground plane. The size of the finally designed BLC was less than 50% of the normal one while the S-parameters were well preserved as expectation with a good agreement. It is expected that the proposed design can be well applied to other size-reduced microwave circuits.

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