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2.4GHZ/5GHZ CERAMIC SMT ANTENNA

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2.4GHZ/5GHZ CERAMIC SMT ANTENNA

1.0 SCOPE

This specification describes the antenna application and surrounding. The information in this document is for reference and benchmark purposes only.

Antenna illustrations in this document are generic representations. They are not intended to be an image of any antenna listed in the scope.

2.0 PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

2.1 PRODUCT NAME AND SERIES NUMBER (S)

Product name: 2.4GHz/5GHz Ceramic SMT antenna

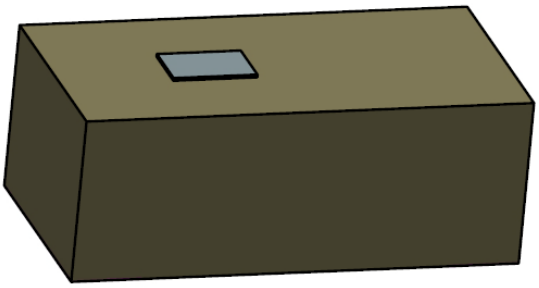
Series Number: 211964****

2.2 DESCRIPTION

211964 is 2.4GHz/5GHz ceramic loop antenna. It works very well when being placed at PCB Center-edge. With applying different matching setup, it supports 2.4GHz single band or 2.4/5GHz dual band.

2.3 PRODUCT STRUCTURE INFORMATION

Please refer to PS-2119640001 for full information.



Molex 2119640001 2.4GHz/5GHz Ceramic SMT antenna 3D VIEW

3.0 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

DOCUMENT	NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
Sale Drawing (SD)	SD-2119640001	Mechanical Dimension of the product
Product Specification (PS)	PS-2119640001	Product Specification
Packing Drawing (PK)	PK-2119640001	Product packaging specifications

4.0 ANTENNA PERFORMANCE

4.1 RF TEST CONDITIONS

All measurements are done of the antenna mounted on a reference PCB (40*20*0.8mm) with VNA Agilent E5071C and Over-The-Air (OTA) chamber.

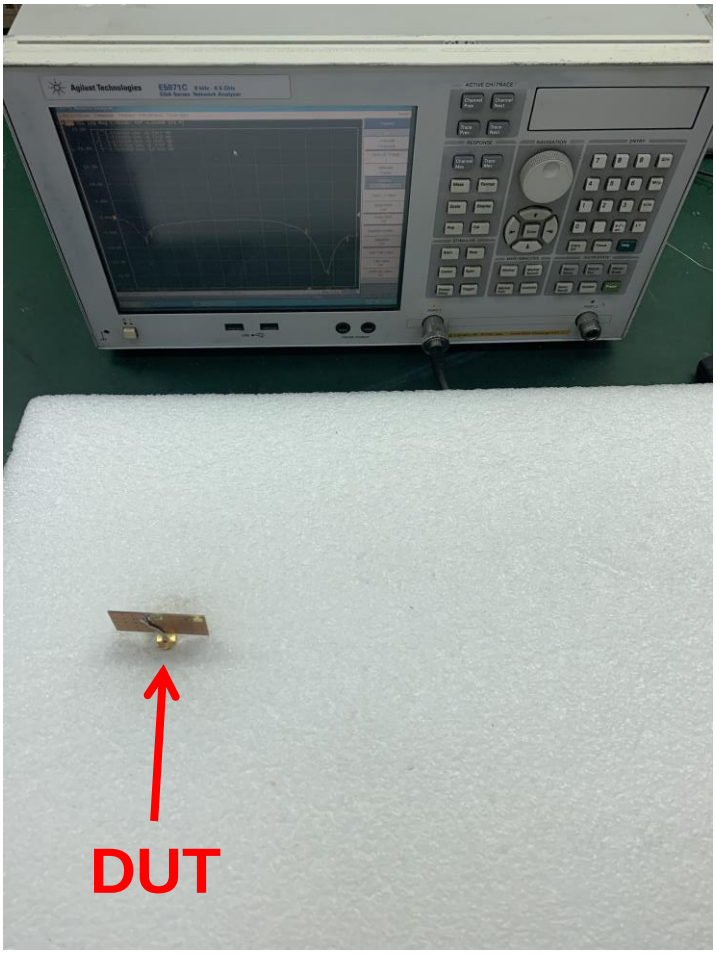


FIGURE4.1.1 ANTENNA LOADED WITH REFERENCE PCB TESTED WITH VNA E5071C

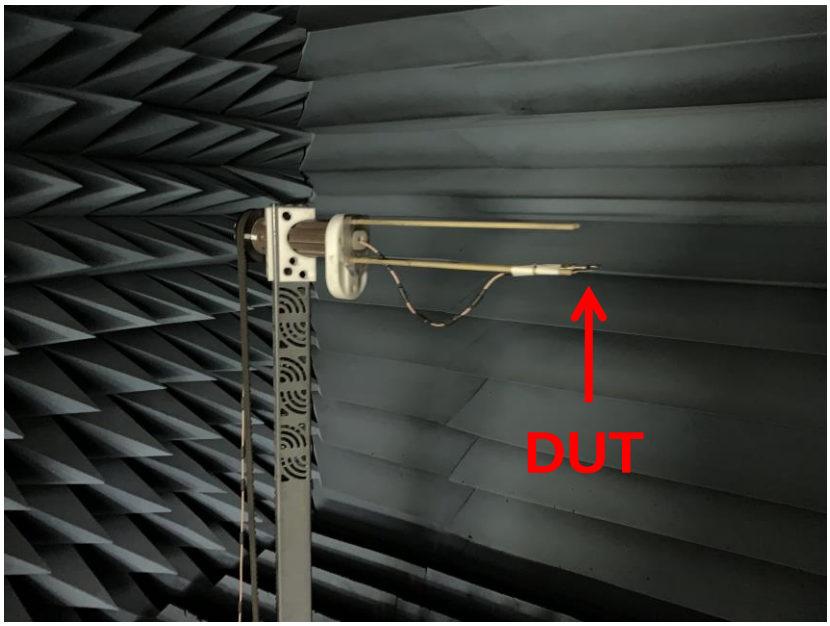


FIGURE4.1.2 ANTENNA LOADED WITH REFERENCE PCB TESTED IN OTA CHAMBER

4.2 ANTENNA PERFORMANCE

DESCRIPTION	EQUIPMENT	Requirements (For Configure 1)	Requirements (For Configure 2)	
Frequency Range	VNA E5071C	2.4-2.5GHz	2.4-2.5GHz	5.15-5.85GHz
Return Loss	VNA E5071C	< -6 dB	< -5 dB	< -5 dB
Peak Gain (Max)	OTA Chamber	2.7dBi	2.1dBi	2.2dBi
Average Total Efficiency	OTA Chamber	>80%	>70%	>65%
Polarization	OTA Chamber	Linear		
Input Impedance	VNA E5071C	50 ohms		

Note that the above antenna performance is measured with just the antenna mounted on a reference PCB to similar a free-space condition. When implement into the system, the frequency resonant might be off-tune due to the loading of surrounding components especially metal plane. This off-tune can be compensated through matching. Although module manufacturers specify a peak gain limit, it is based on free-space conditions. The peak gain will be degraded by 1 to 2dBi in the actual implementation as the radiation pattern will change due to the surround components. As such, during selection of antenna, you can select one with high peak gain to compensate for the loss. Molex can offer assistant to choose the best location and best tuning in-order to meet this peak gain requirement.

4.3 RETURN LOSS PLOT

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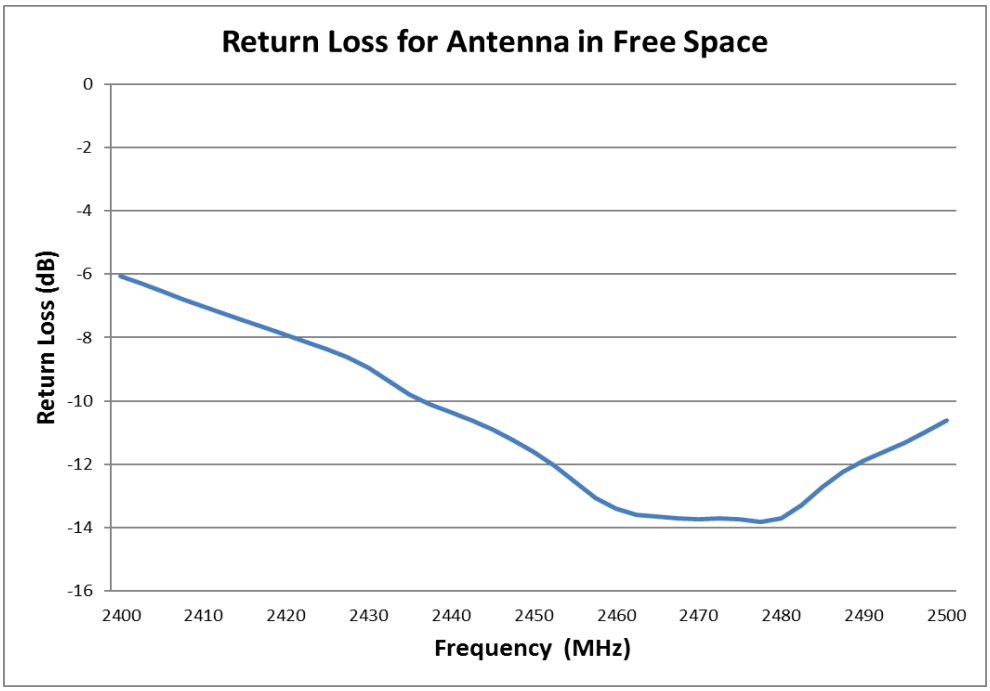

FIGURE 4.3.1 RETURN LOSS OF ANTENNA AT 2.4GHZ IN FREE SPACE FOR CONFIGURE 1

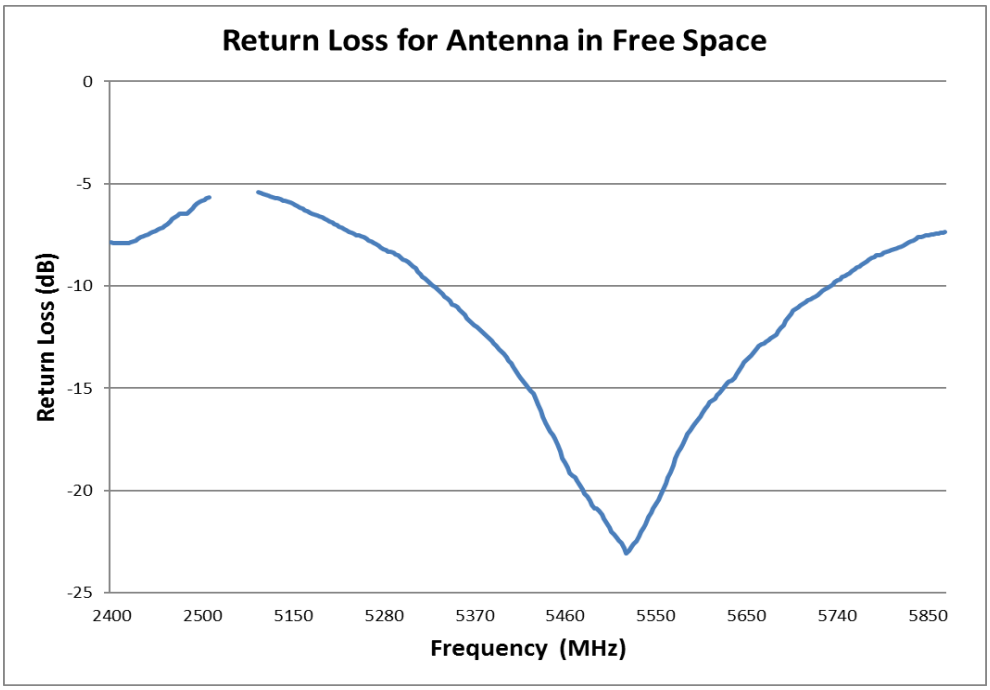

FIGURE 4.3.2 RETURN LOSS OF ANTENNA AT 2.4/5GHZ IN FREE SPACE FOR CONFIGURE 2

4.4 EFFICIENCY PLOT

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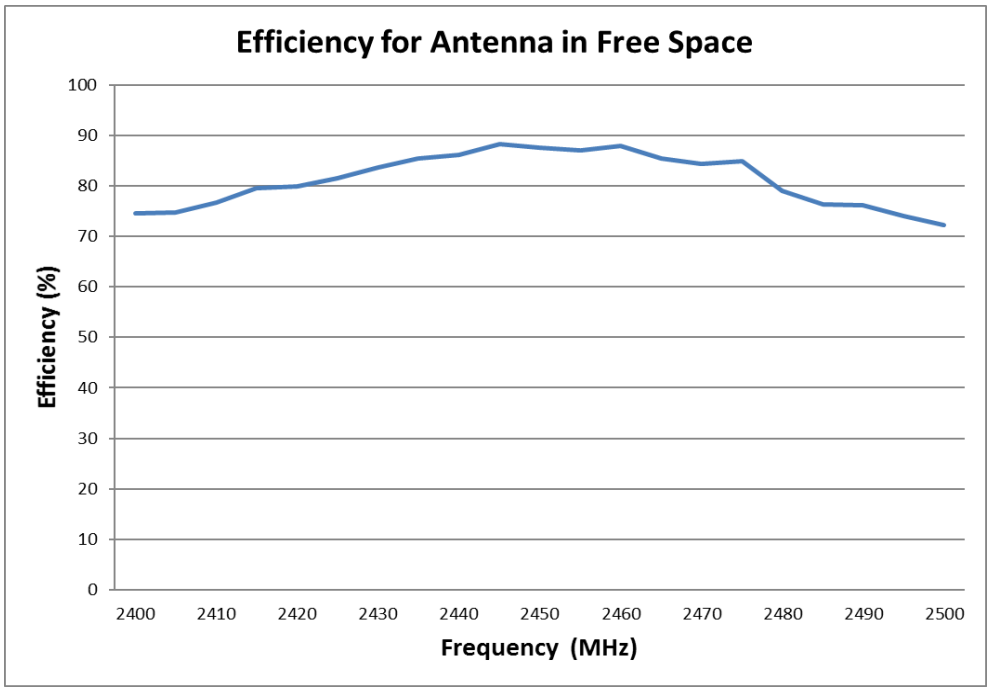

FIGURE 4.4.1 EFFICIENCY OF ANTENNA AT 2.4GHZ IN FREE SPACE FOR CONFIGURE 1

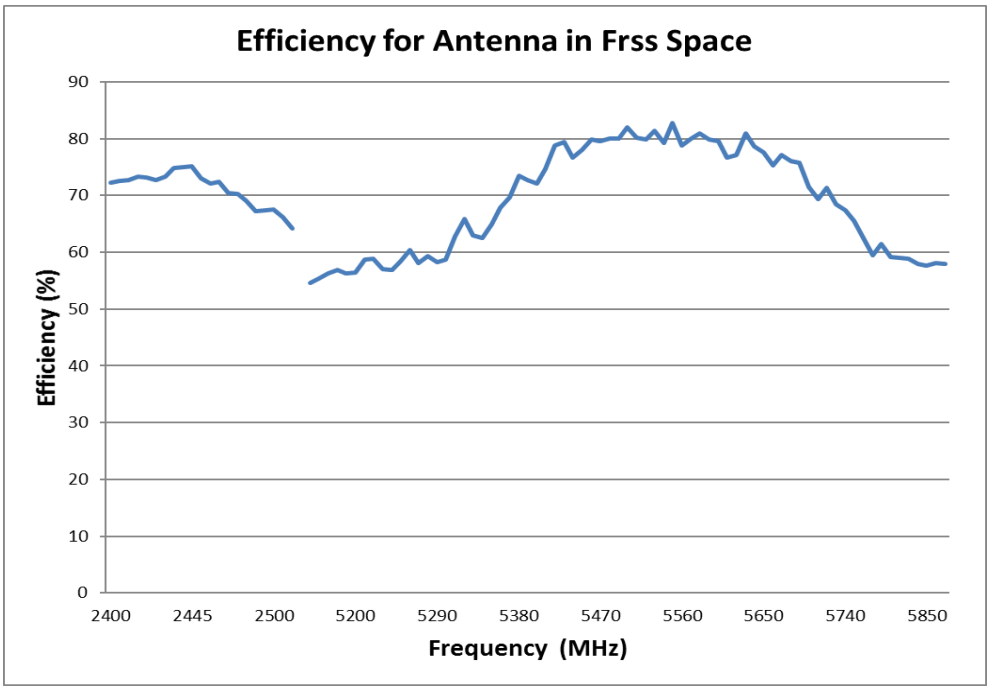

FIGURE 4.4.2 EFFICIENCY OF ANTENNA AT 2.4/5GHZ IN FREE SPACE FOR CONFIGURE 2

4.5 2D RADIATION PATTERN

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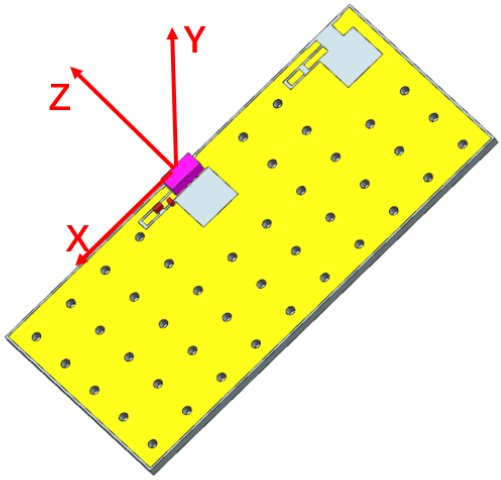

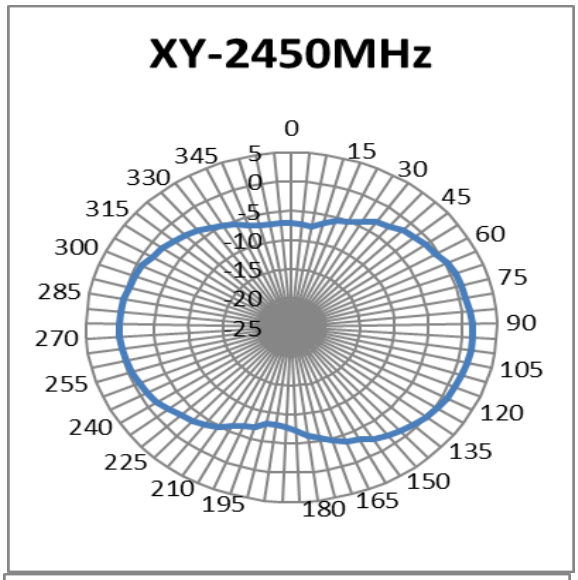

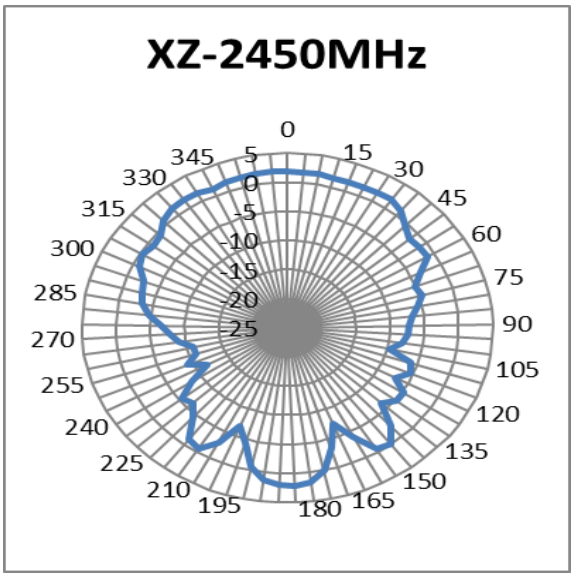

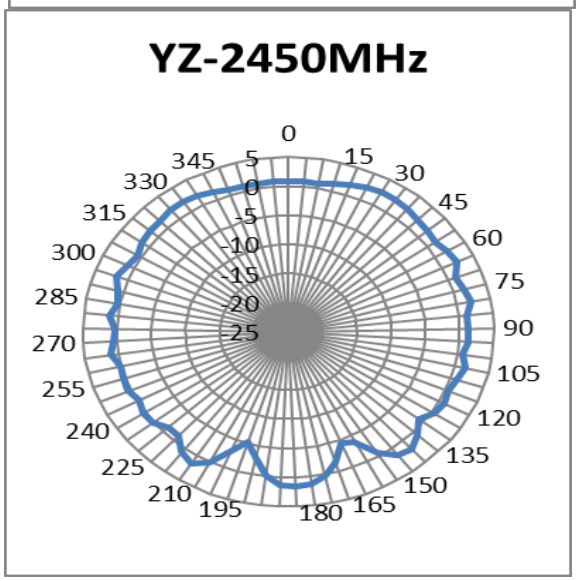

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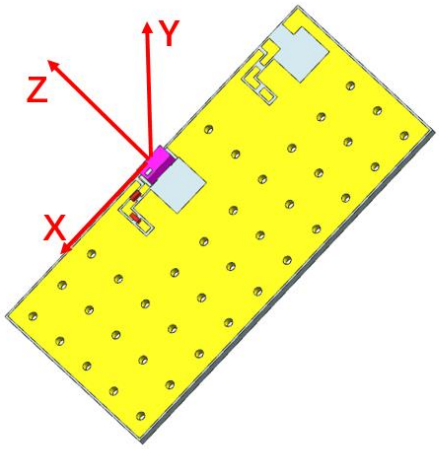

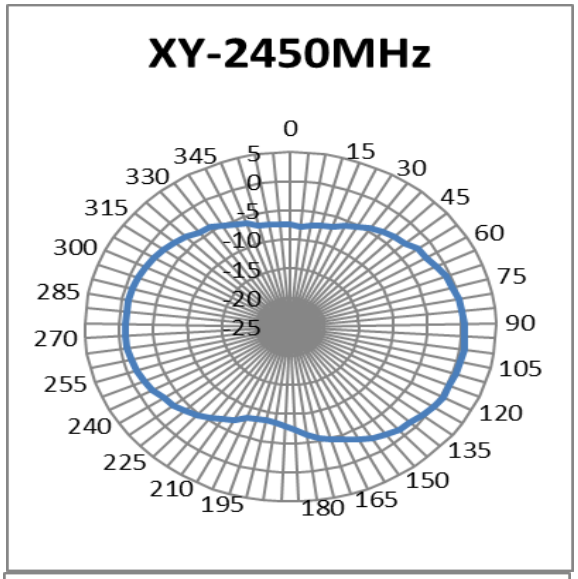

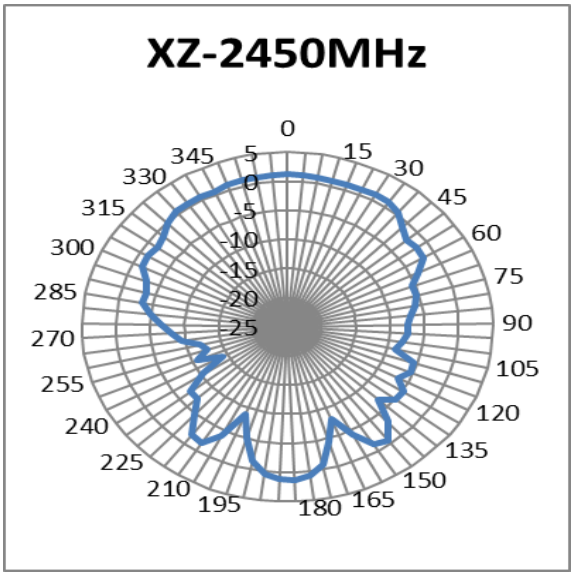

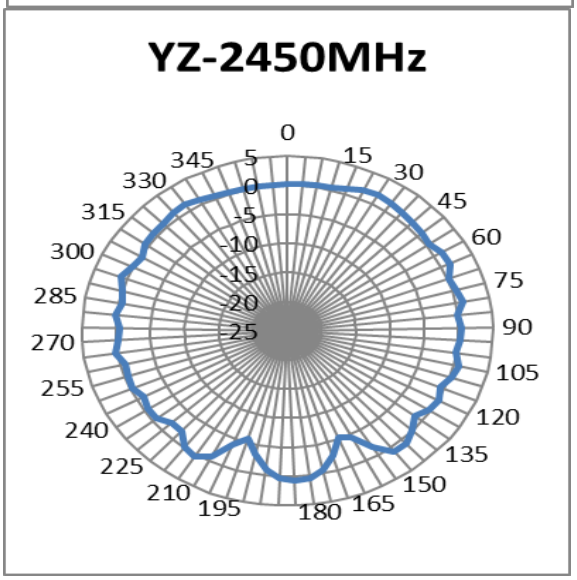

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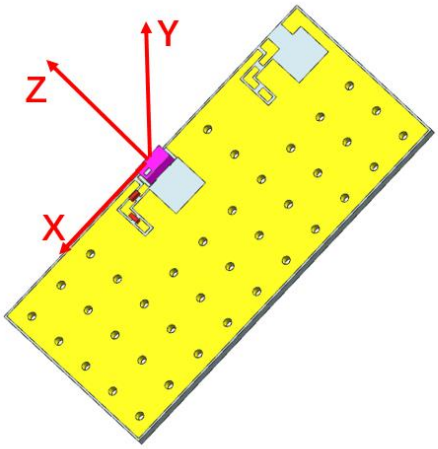

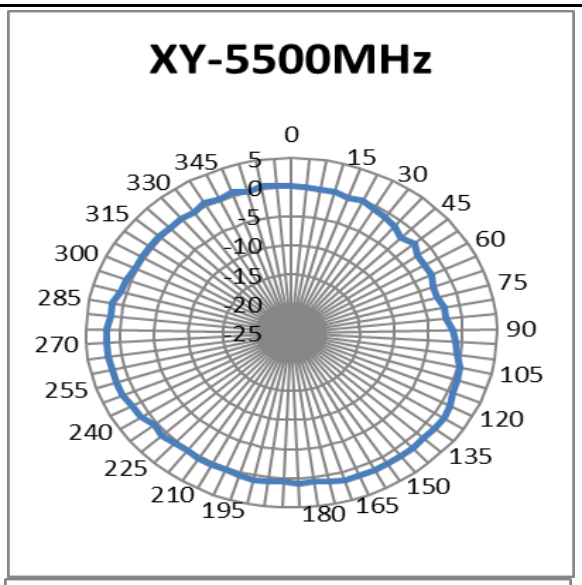

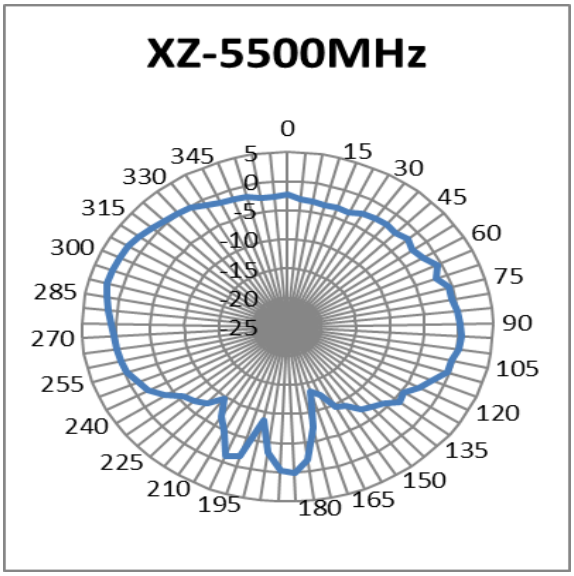

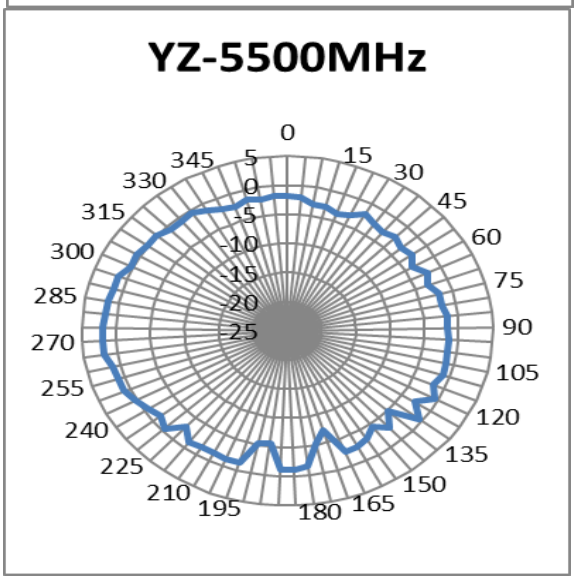

FIGURE 4.5.3 2D RADIATION PATTERN OF ANTENNA AT 5.5GHZ IN FREE SPACE FOR CONFIGURE 2

4.6 3D RADIATION PATTERN

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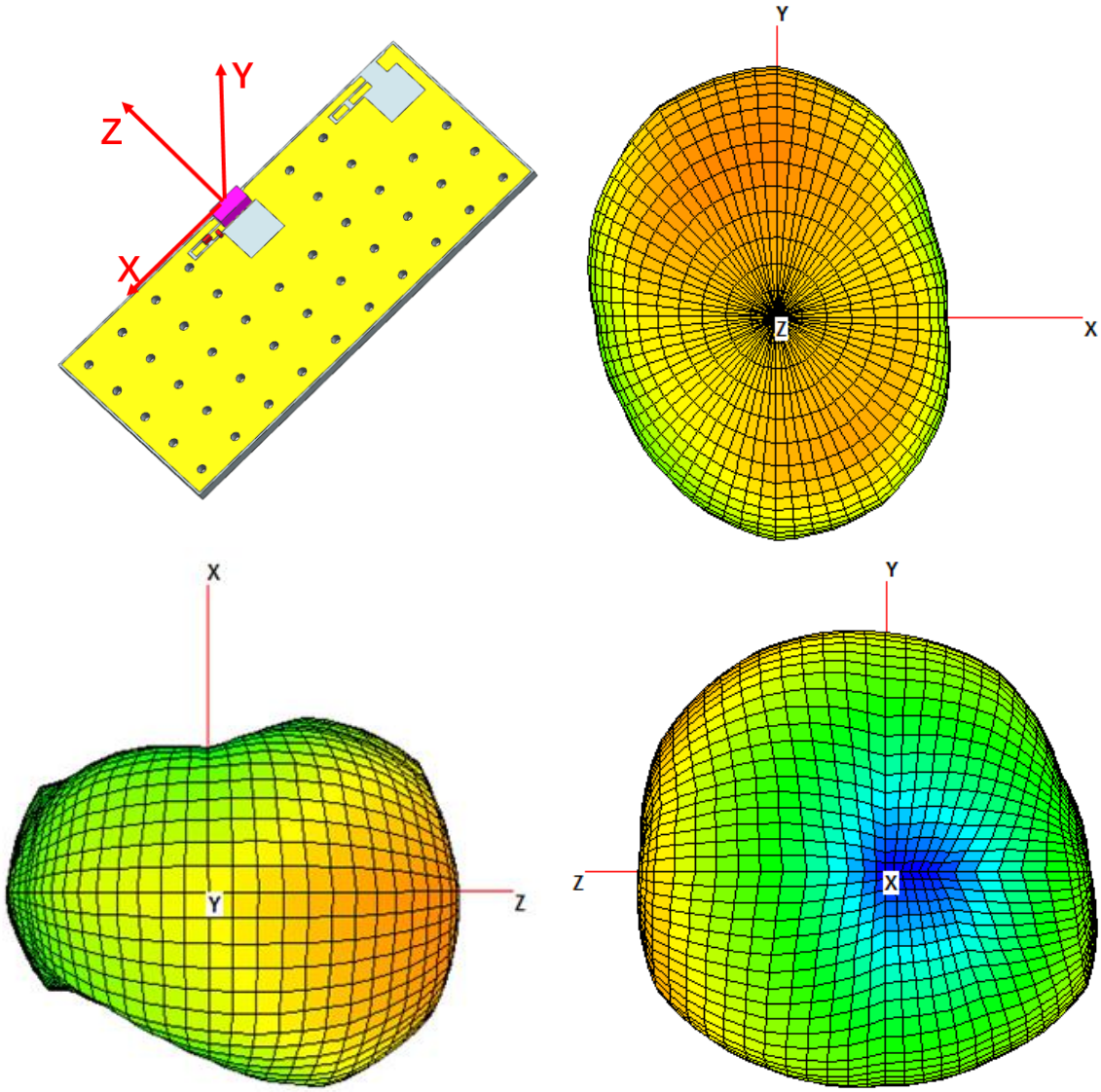


FIGURE 4.6.1 3D RADIATION PATTERN OF ANTENNA AT 2450GHZ IN FREE SPACE FOR CONFIGURE 1

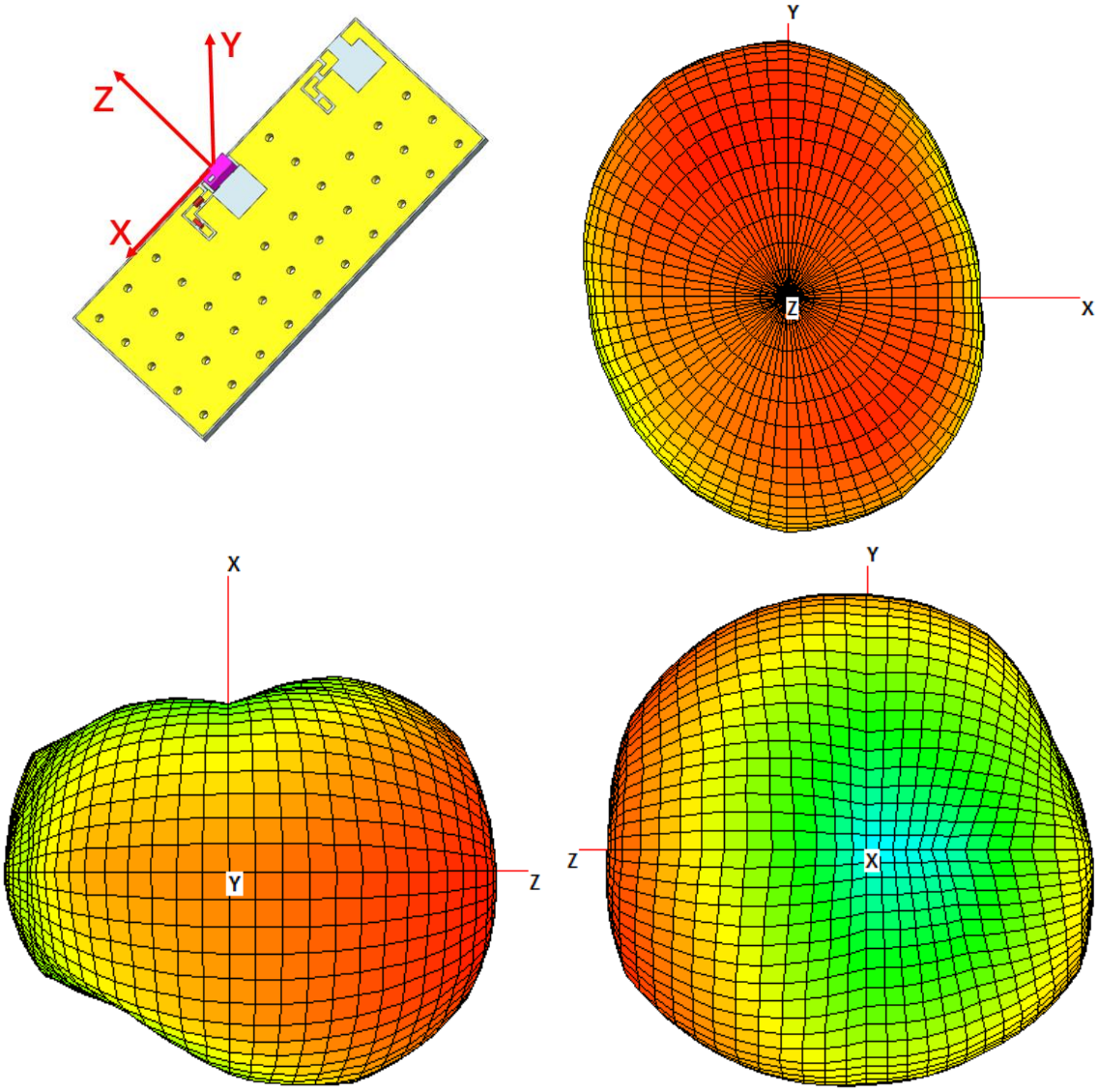


FIGURE 4.6.2 3D RADIATION PATTERN OF ANTENNA AT 2450MHZ IN FREE SPACE FOR CONFIGURE 2

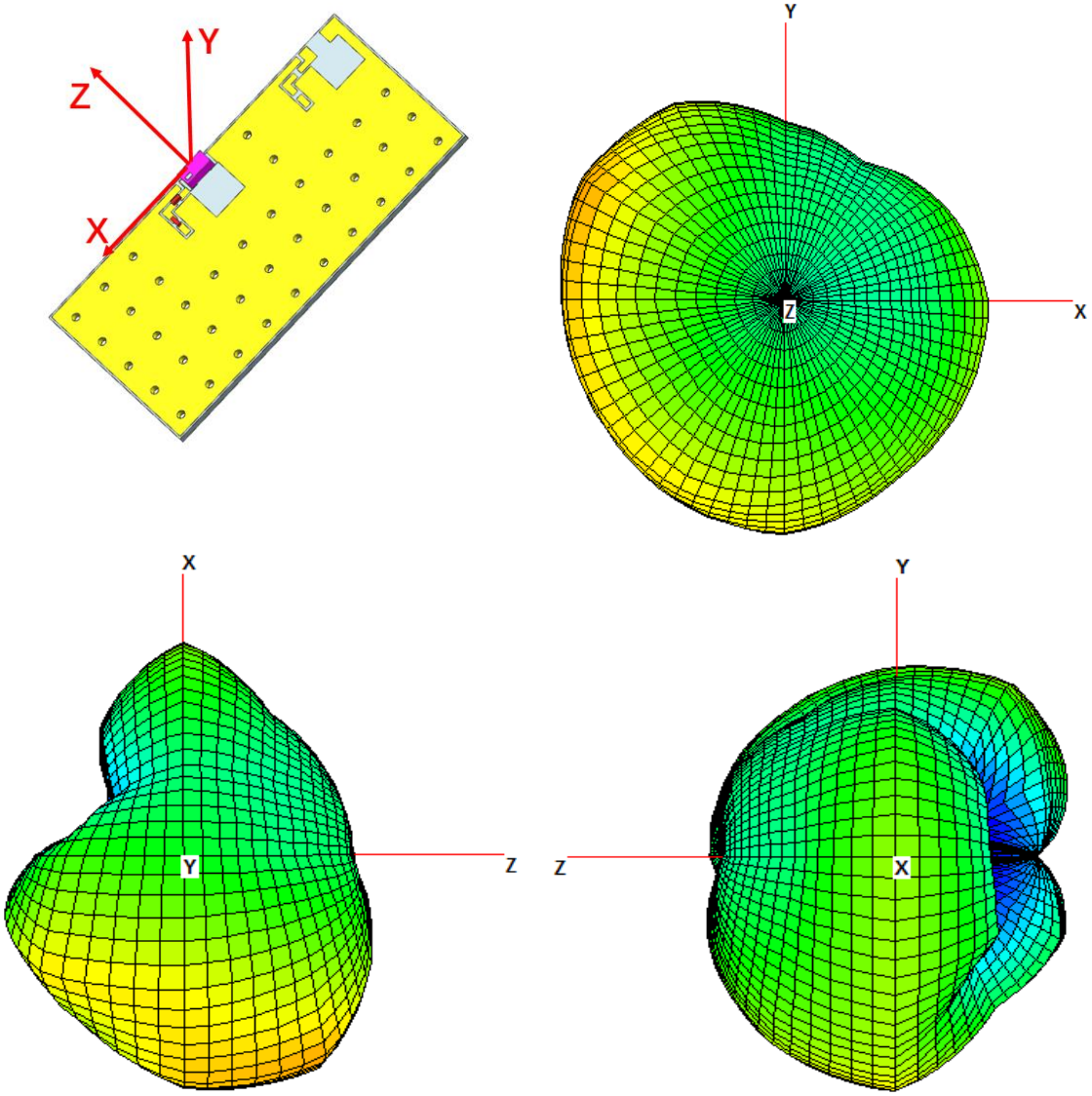
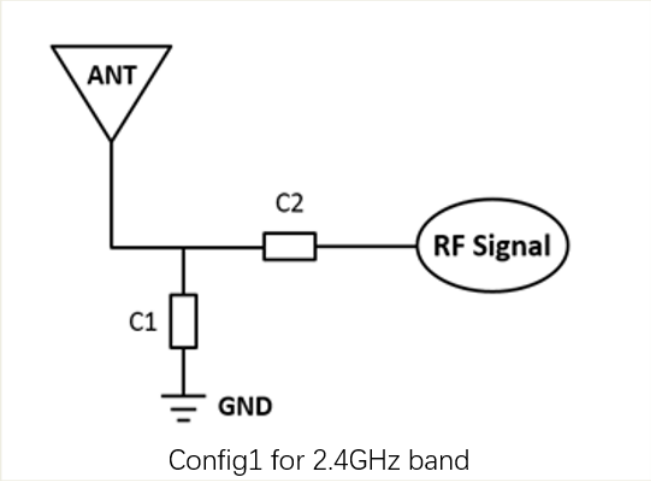


FIGURE 4.6.3 3D RADIATION PATTERN OF ANTENNA AT 5500MHZ IN FREE SPACE FOR CONFIGURE 2

5.0 MATCHING NETWORK DESRICPTION

The recommended matching network shown in Figure 5.1-5.2.



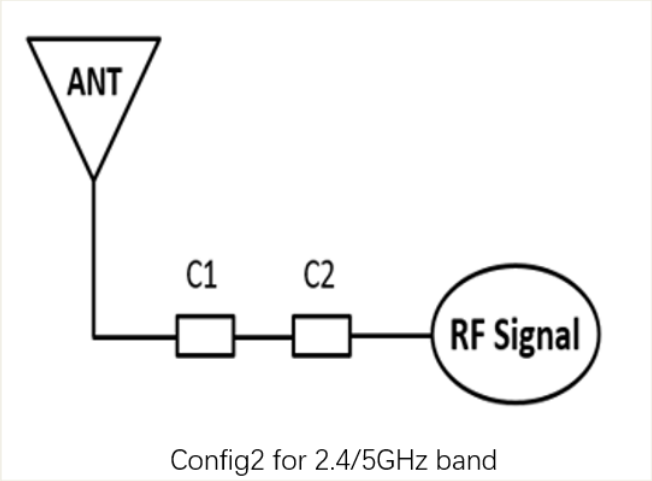
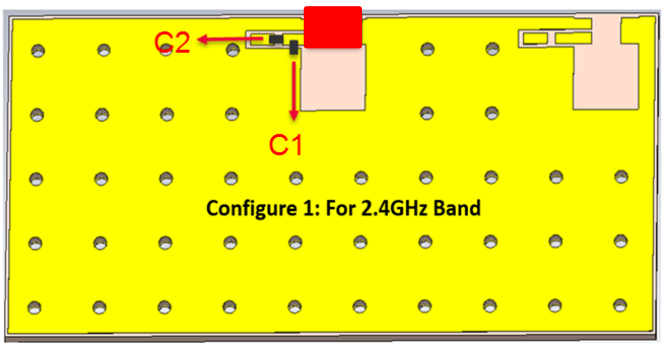
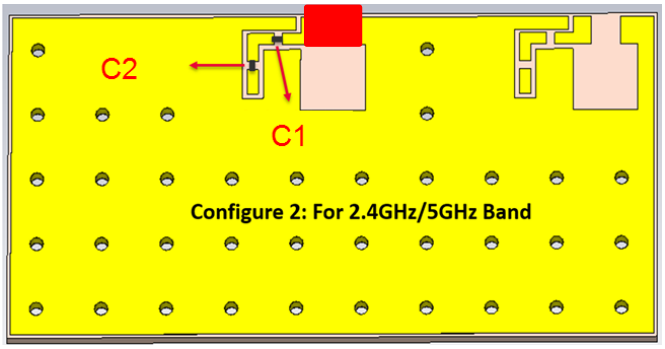


FIGURE 5.1 RECOMMENDED MATCHING CIRCUIT SCHEMATIC FOR CONFIGOURE 1 AND CONFIGURE 2

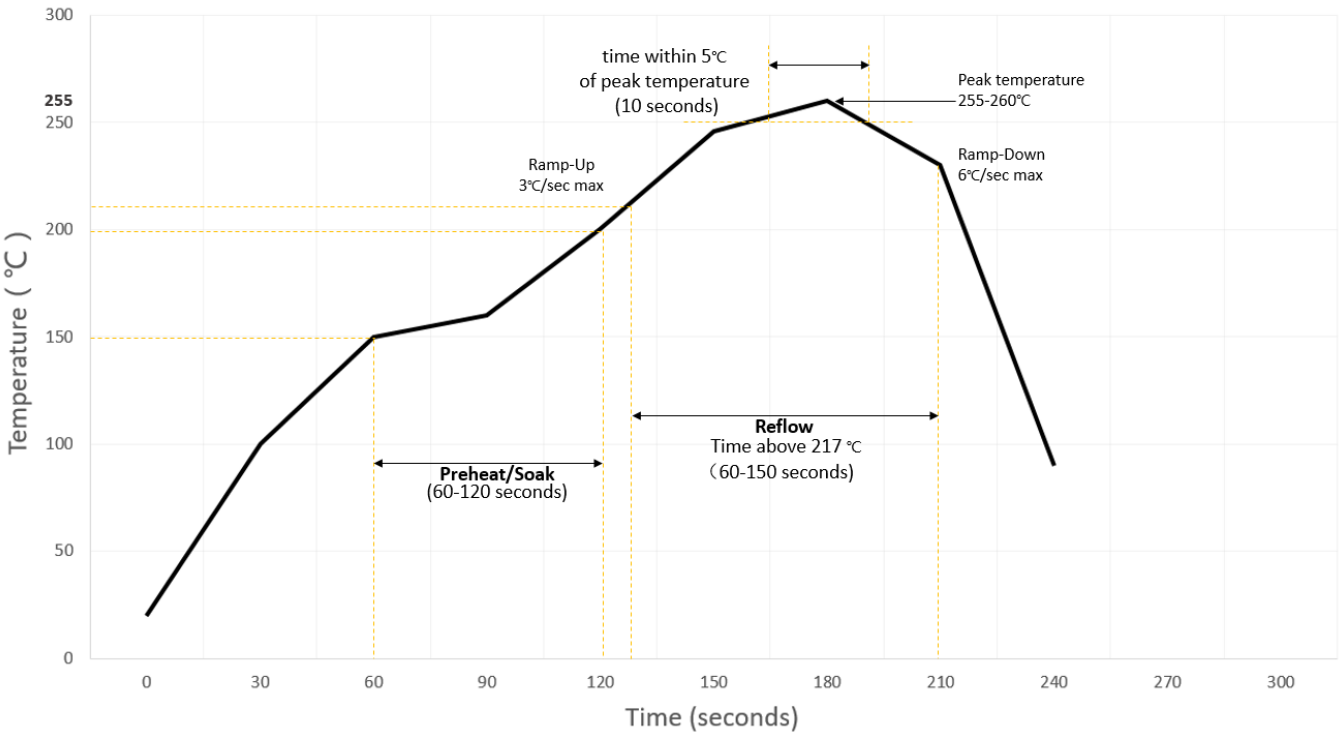




Component	Configure 1	Configure 2
C1	2.7pF	4.7nH
	Murata (PN: GRM1555C1H2R7WA01)	Murata (PN: LQW15AN4N7B00)
C2	0Ω	0.6pF
		Murata (PN: GRM1555C1HR60BA01D)

FIGURE 5.2 RECOMMENDED MATCHING CIRCUIT FOR CONFIGURE 1 AND CONFIGURE 2

6.0 RECOMMENDED REFLOW CONDITION



Recommended solder paste: ALPHA CAP-390 SAC305;

Recommended stencil thickness: 0.1MM≤ T ≤ 0.15MM;

For mechanically challenging applications. Molex recommends using surface mount glue (e.g. Loctite 3611) before reflow soldering process to ensure increased mechanical retention on the PCB.

7.0 RF PERFORMANCE AS A FUNCTION OF IMPLEMENTATION

All measurements in this document are done on a reference PCB.

7.1 ANTENNA RF PERFORMANCE AS A FUNCTION OF DIFFERENT LOCATIONS WITH PARALLEL PLANE GROUND FOR CONFIGURE 1 AND CONFIGURE 2

Four locations with parallel plane ground have been evaluated and the location presentation is shown in figure 7.1. The plane ground size is 60mm*30mm and we move the plane ground to four locations for each test.

The antenna performance is better with larger distance between antenna and parallel plane ground. The minimum distance between antenna and plane ground is recommended to be 10mm to achieve acceptable RF performance for configure 1.

The minimum distance between antenna and plane ground is recommended to be 5mm to achieve acceptable RF performance for configure 2.

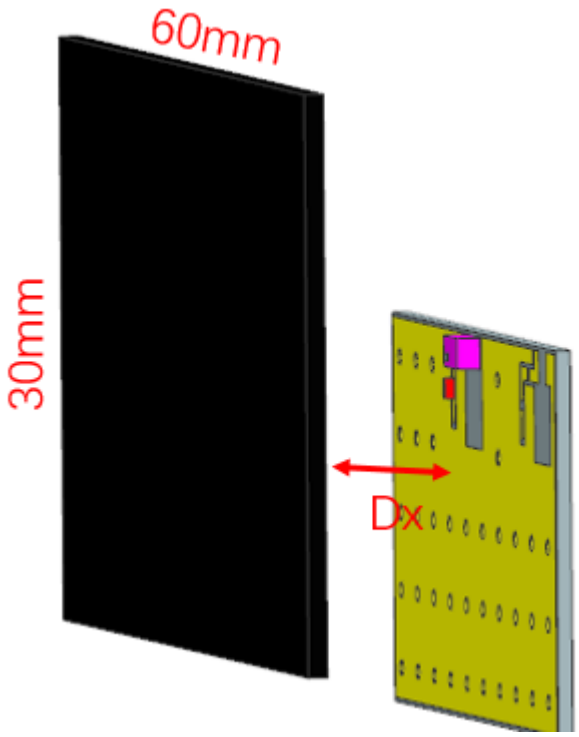


FIGURE 7.1 FOUR LOCATIONS WITH PARALLEL PLANE GROUND (USING CONFIG1 FOR ILLUSTRATION)

Ground Size: 60mm*30mm;
Location D1: Distance between antenna and plane ground is about 5mm;
Location D2: Distance between antenna and plane ground is about 10mm;
Location D3: Distance between antenna and plane ground is about 15mm;
Location D4: Distance between antenna and plane ground is about 20mm
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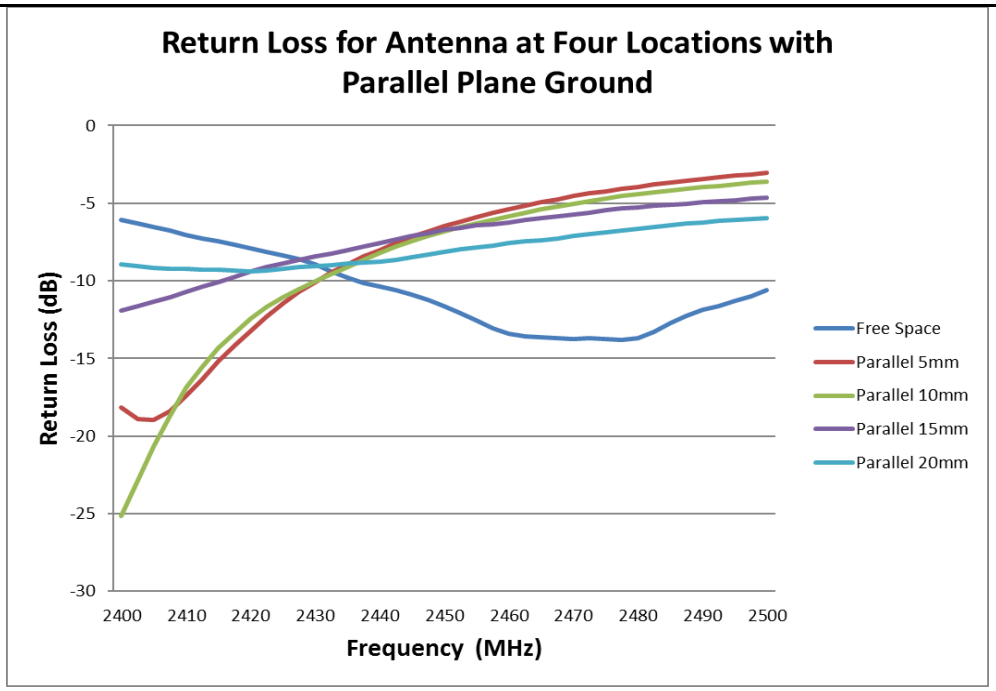


FIGURE 7.1.1 RETURN LOSS OF ANTENNA AT 2.4GHZ AT FOUR LOCATIONS WITH PARALLEL PLANE GROUND ON A REFERENCE PCB FOR CONFIGURE 1

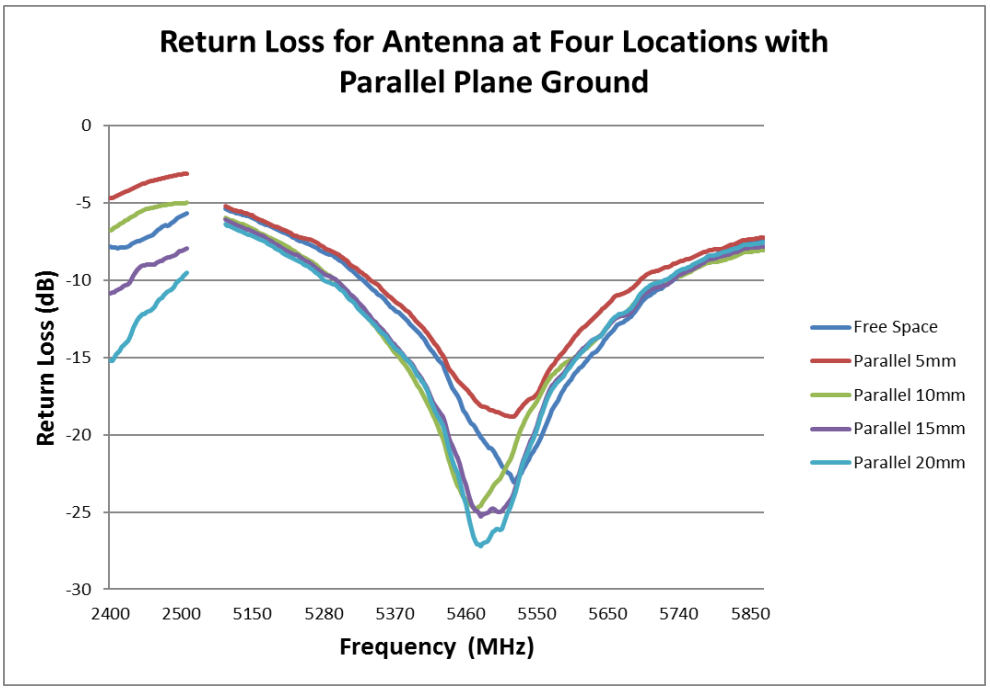


FIGURE 7.1.2 RETURN LOSS OF ANTENNA AT 2.4/5GHZ AT FOUR LOCATIONS WITH PARALLEL PLANE GROUND ON A REFERENCE PCB FOR CONFIGURE 2

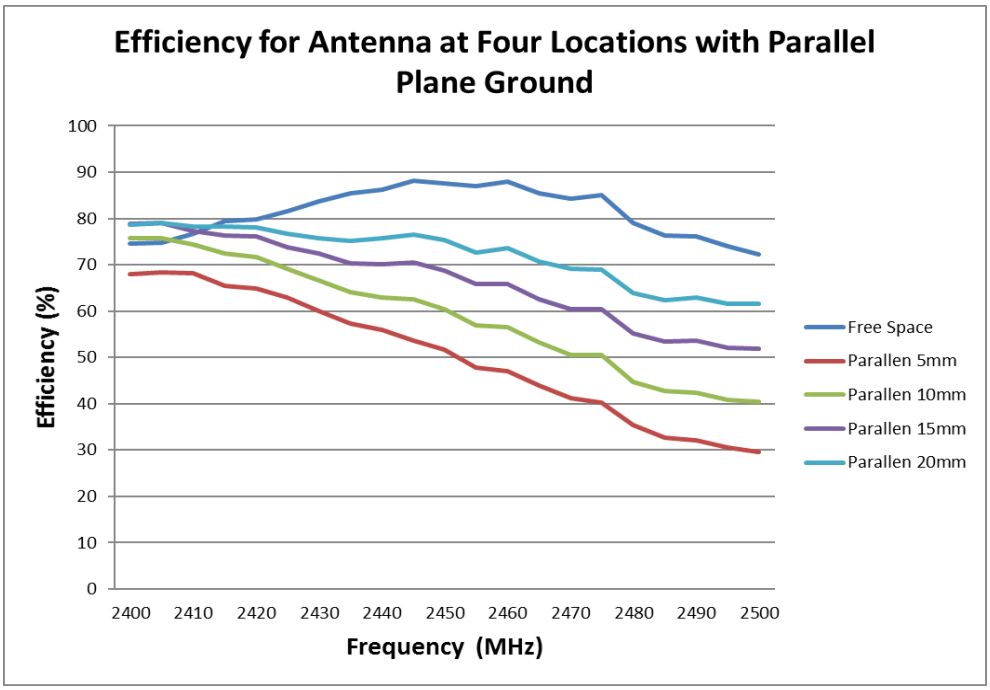


FIGURE 7.1.3 EFFICIENCY OF ANTENNA AT 2.4GHZ AT FOUR LOCATIONS WITH PARALLEL PLANE GROUND ON A REFERENCE PCB FOR CONFIGURE 1

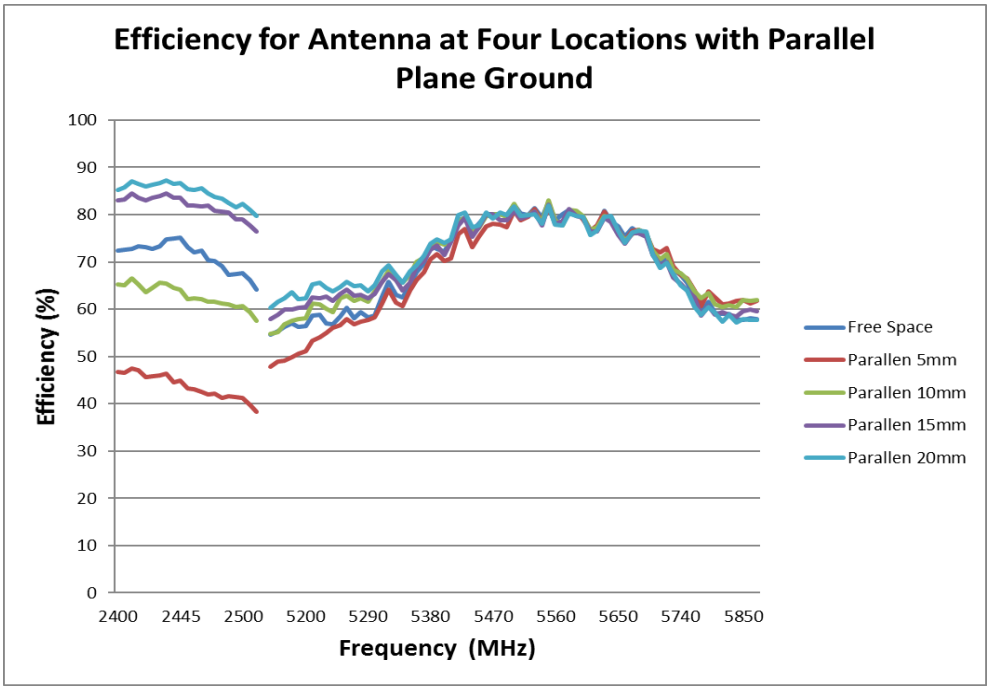


FIGURE 7.1.4 EFFICIENCY OF ANTENNA AT 2.4/5GHZ AT FOUR LOCATIONS WITH PARALLEL PLANE GROUND ON A REFERENCE PCB FOR CONFIGURE 2

7.2 ANTENNA RF PERFORMANCE AS A FUNCTION OF DIFFERENT LOCATIONS WITH VERTICAL PLANE GROUND FOR CONFIGURE 1 AND CONFIGURE 2

Four locations with vertical plane ground have been evaluated and the location presentation is shown in figure 7.2. The plane ground size is 60*30mm and we move the plane ground to four locations for each test.

The distance between antenna and vertical plane ground affect the antenna performance slightly. The minimum distance between antenna and plane ground is recommended to be 10mm to achieve acceptable RF performance for configure 1.

The minimum distance between antenna and plane ground is recommended to be 5mm to achieve acceptable RF performance for configure 2.

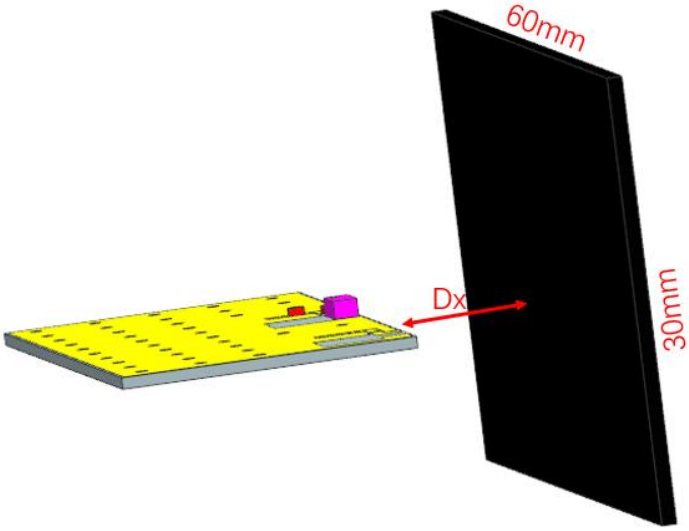
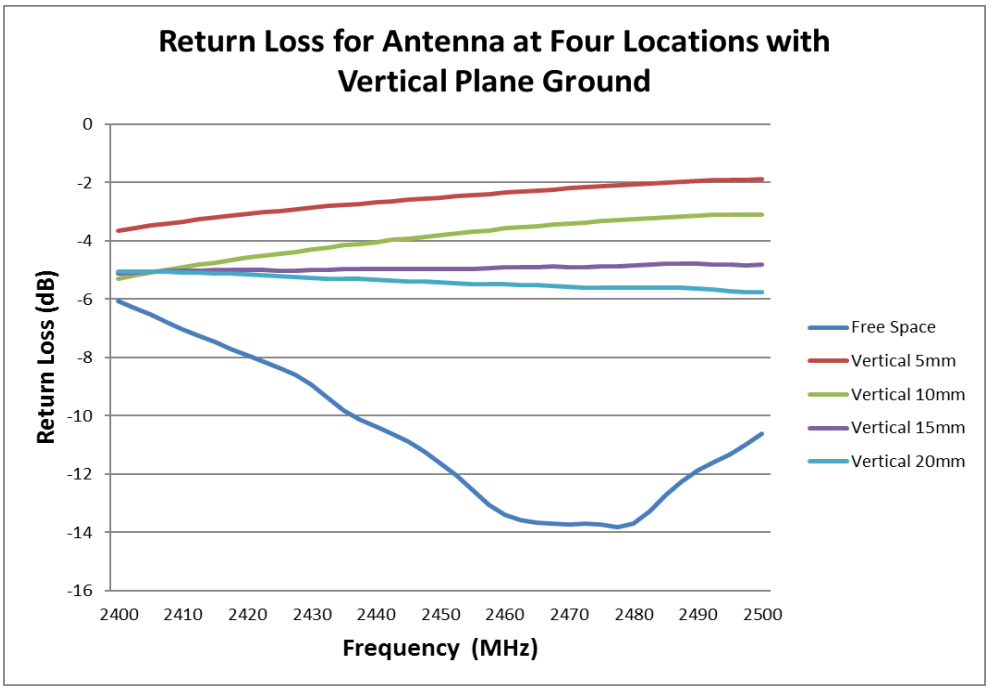


FIGURE 7.2 FOUR LOCATIONS WITH VERTICAL PLANE GROUND (USING CONFIG1 FOR ILLUSTRATION)

Ground Size: 60mm*30mm;
Location D1: Distance between antenna and plane ground is about 5mm;
Location D2: Distance between antenna and plane ground is about 10mm;
Location D3: Distance between antenna and plane ground is about 15mm;
Location D4: Distance between antenna and plane ground is about 20mm.



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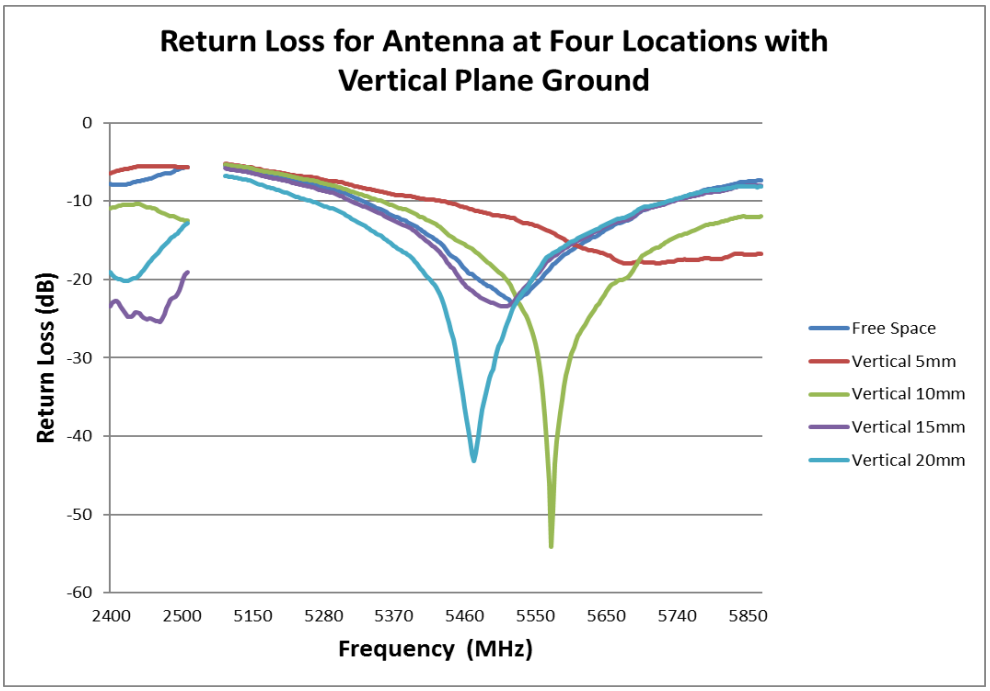

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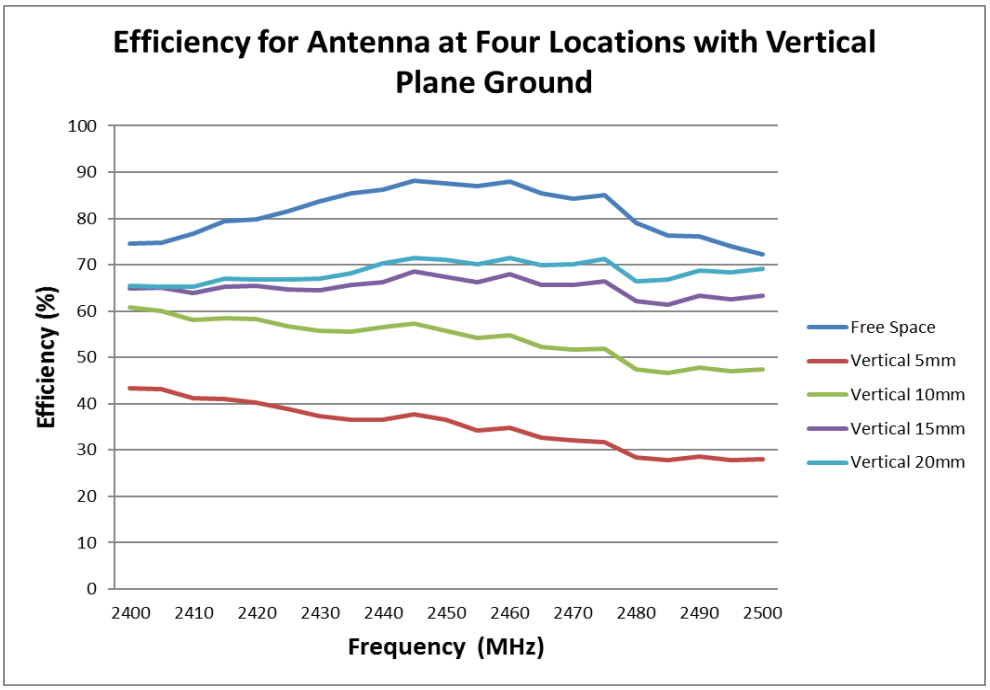

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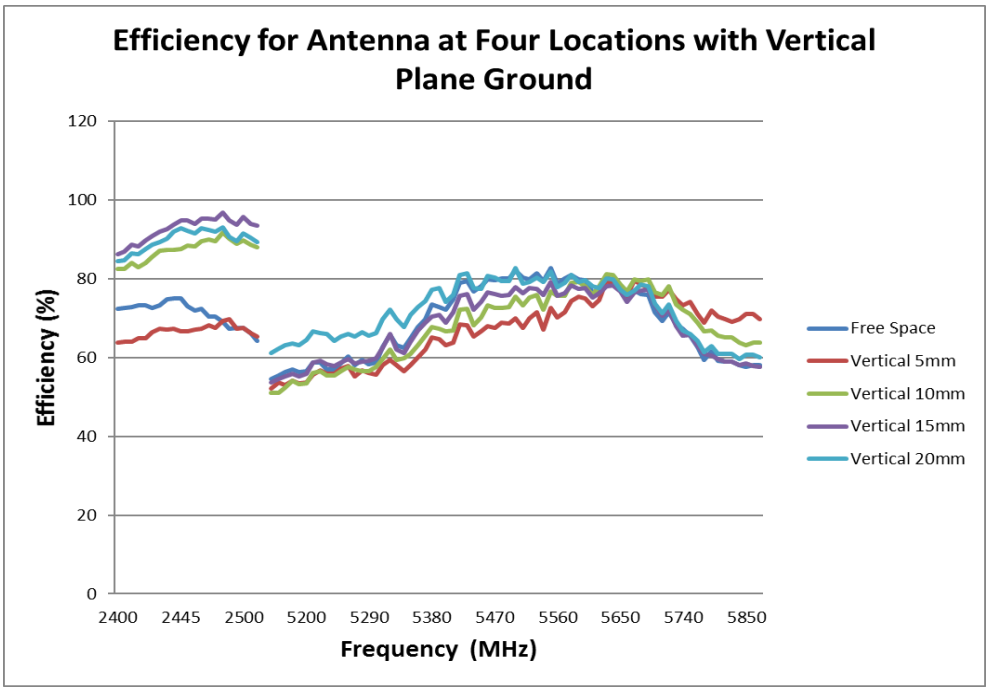


FIGURE 7.2.4 EFFICIENCY OF ANTENNA AT 2.4/5GHZ AT FOUR LOCATIONS WITH VERTICAL PLANE GROUND ON A REFERENCE PCB FOR CONFIGURE 2

7.3 ANTENNA RF PERFORMANCE AS A FUNCTION OF LOCATIONS ON REFERENCE PCB FOR CONFIGURE 1 AND CONFIGURE 2

Two locations have been evaluated RF performance and these locations are shown in figure 7.3. Figure 7.3.1, figure 7.3.2, figure 7.3.3 and figure 7.3.4 comparatively present the return loss and efficiency at two locations.
The performance of location 1 is much better than location 2. So the location 1 (upper center location) is the recommended location for this antenna.

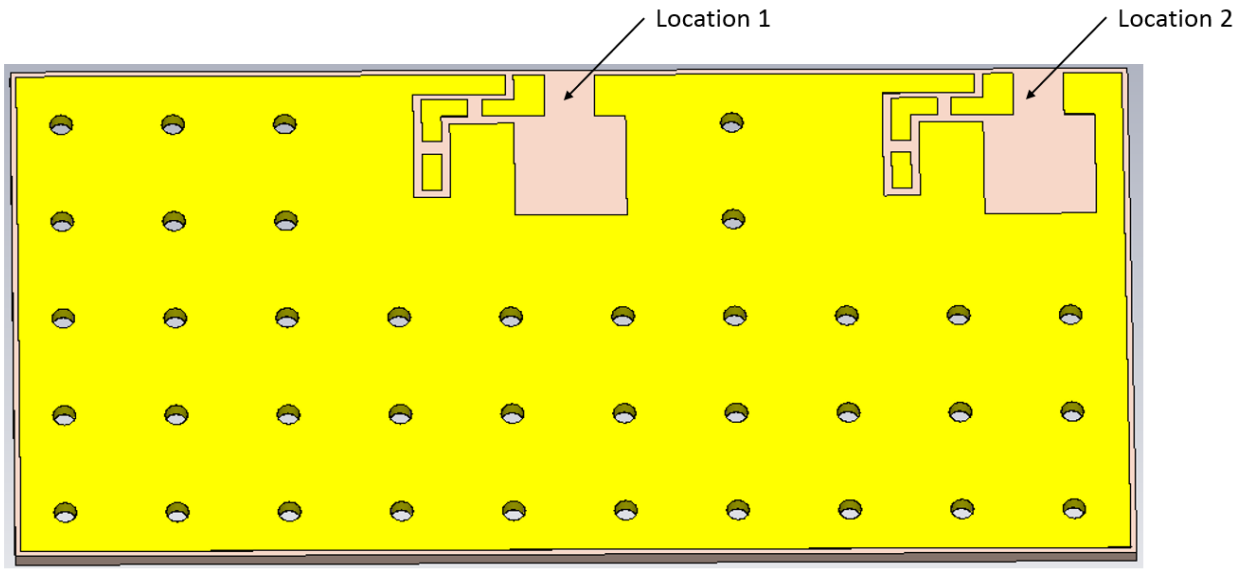


FIGURE 7.3 TWO LOCATIONS ON REFERENCE PCB FOR CONFIGURE 1 AND CONFIGURE 2(USING CONFIG1 FOR ILLUSTRATION)

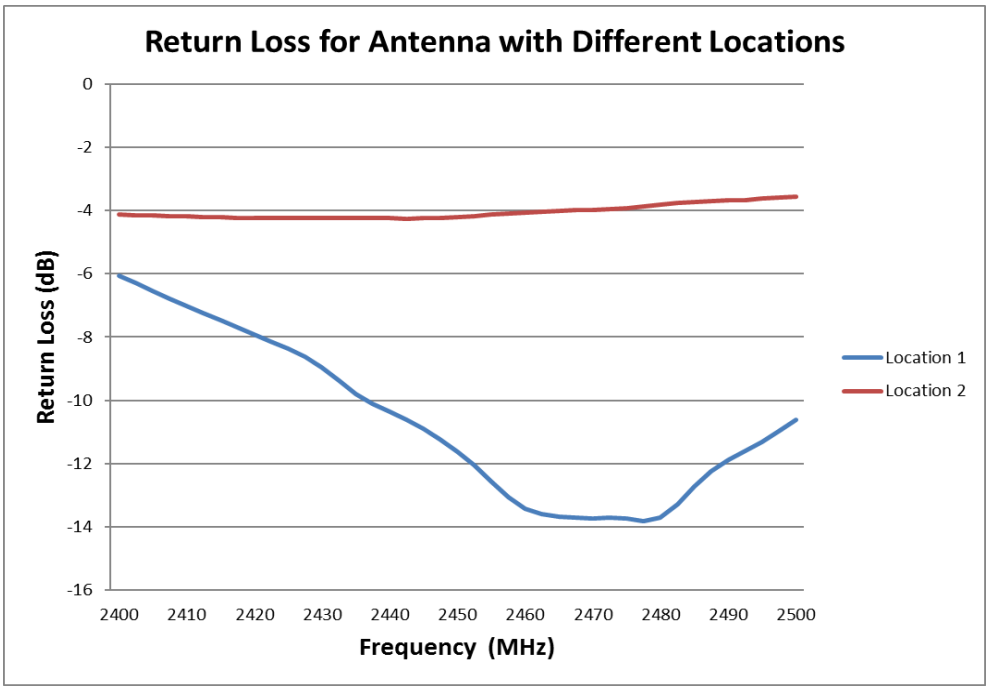
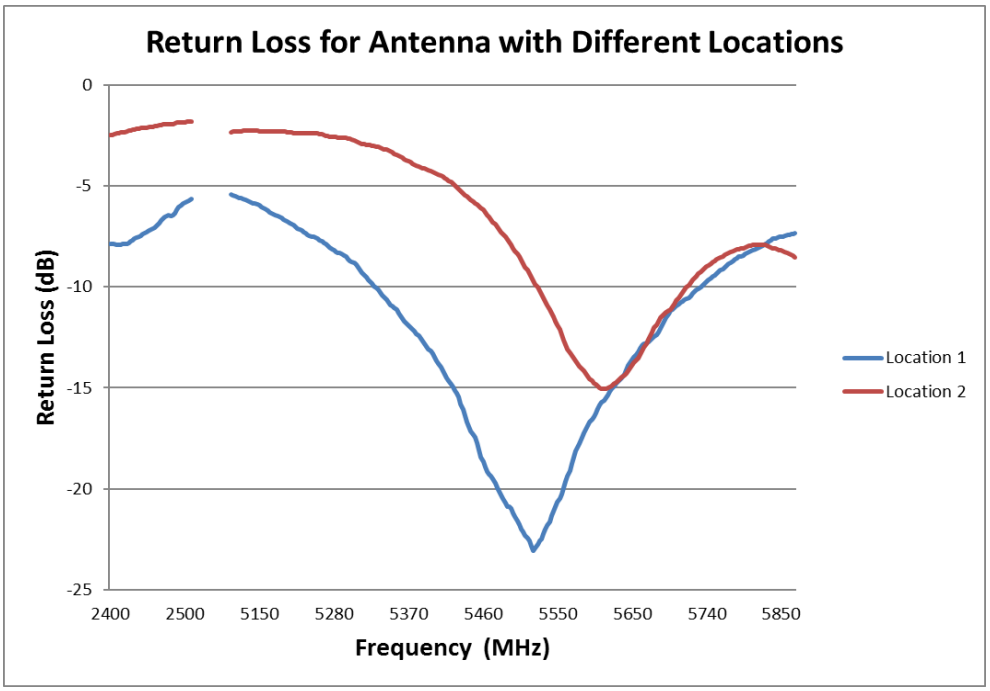


FIGURE 7.3.1 RETURN LOSS OF ANTENNA AT 2.4GHZ AT TWO DIFFERENT LOCATIONS FOR CONFIGURE 1



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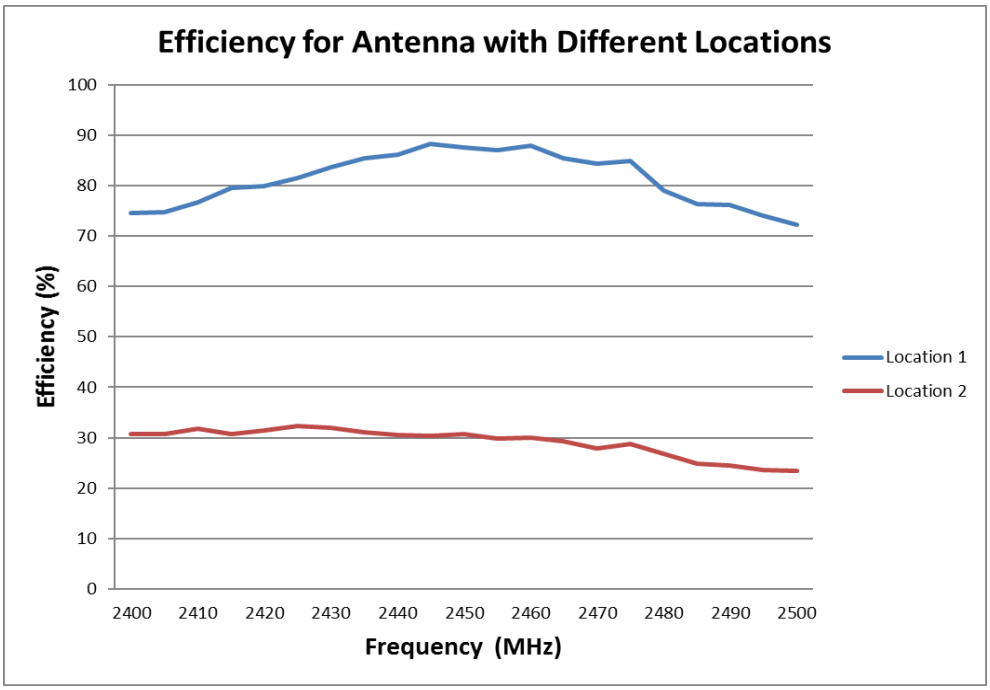


FIGURE 7.3.4 EFFICIENCY OF ANTENNA AT 2.4GHZ AT TWO DIFFERENT LOCATIONS FOR CONFIGURE 1

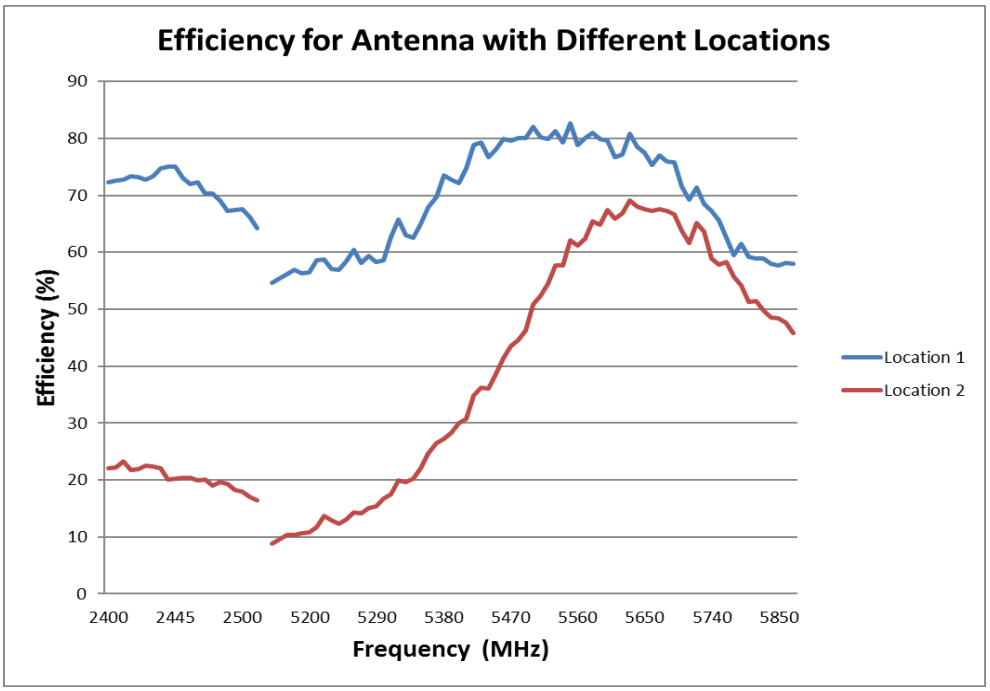


FIGURE 7.3.5 EFFICIENCY OF ANTENNA AT 2.4/5GHZ AT TWO DIFFERENT LOCCATIONS FOR CONFIGURE 2

7.4 RF PERFORMANCE AS A FUNCTION ON DIFFERENT SIZE GROUD FOR CAONFIGURE 1 AND CONFIGURE 2

Three kinds of ground plane size were used for this study, which were 80mm*60mm, 60mm*40mm, and 40mm*20mm.
From the test result we can see the antenna performance is the best using reference PCB size

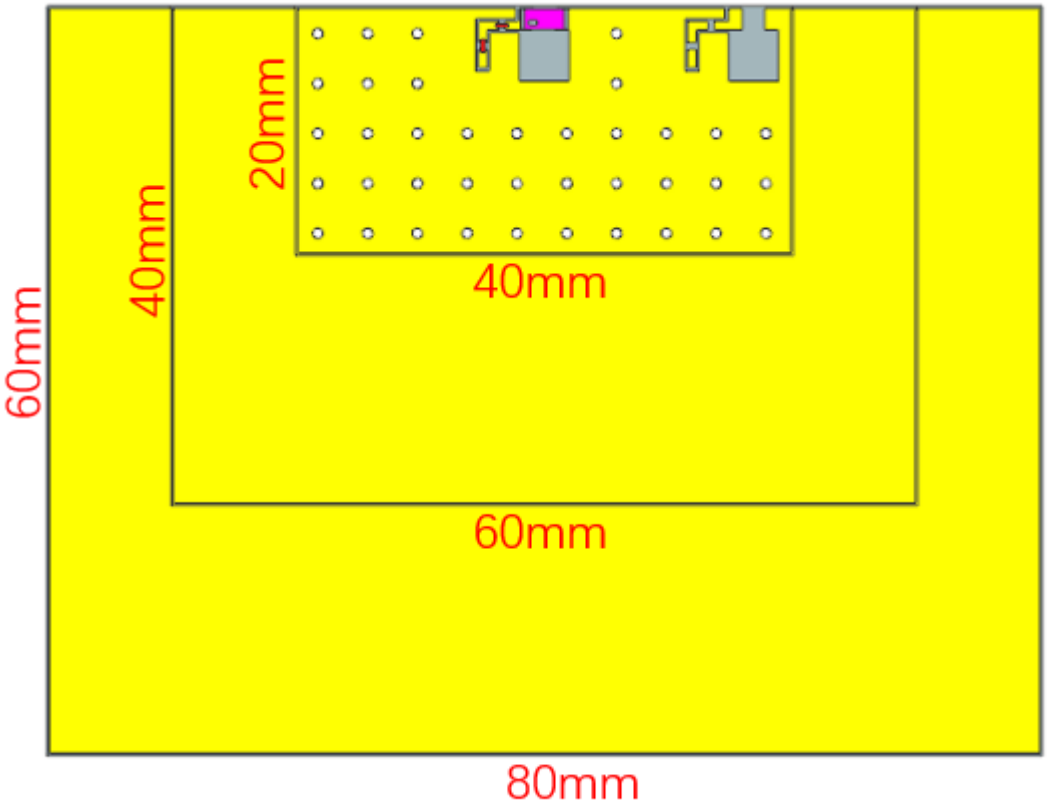
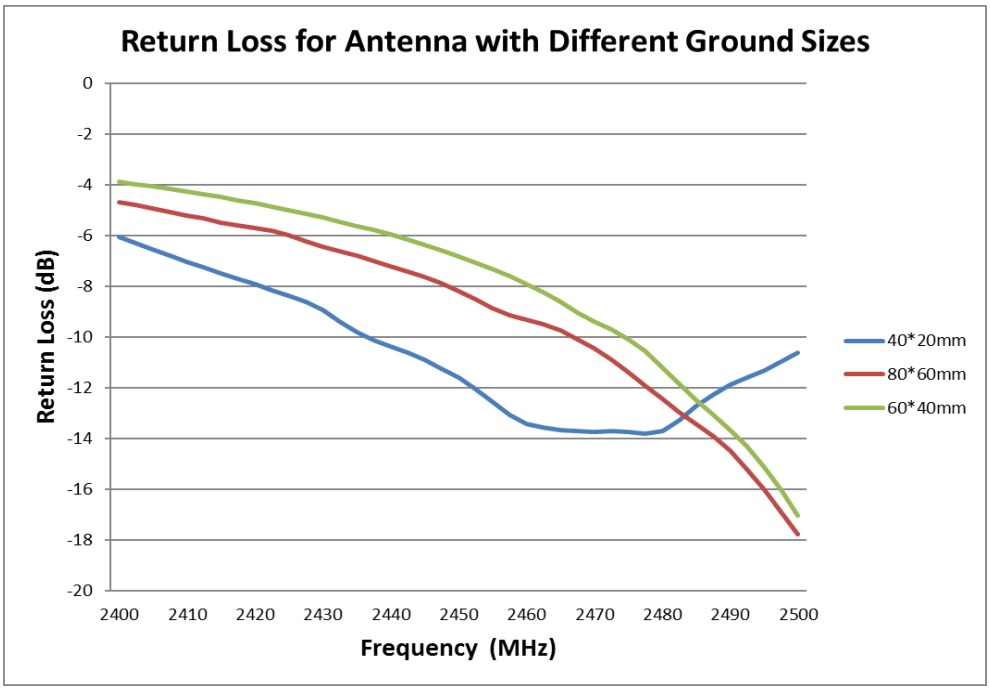


FIGURE 7.4 ANTENNA WITH DIFFERENT PLANE GROUNDS (USING CONFIG1 FOR ILLUSTRATION)



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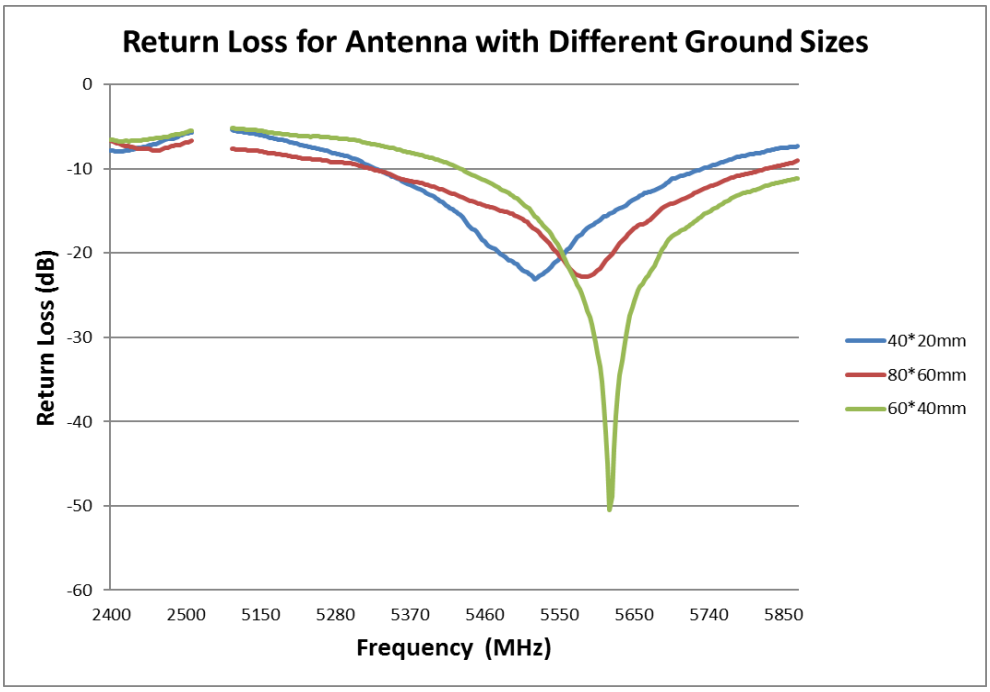

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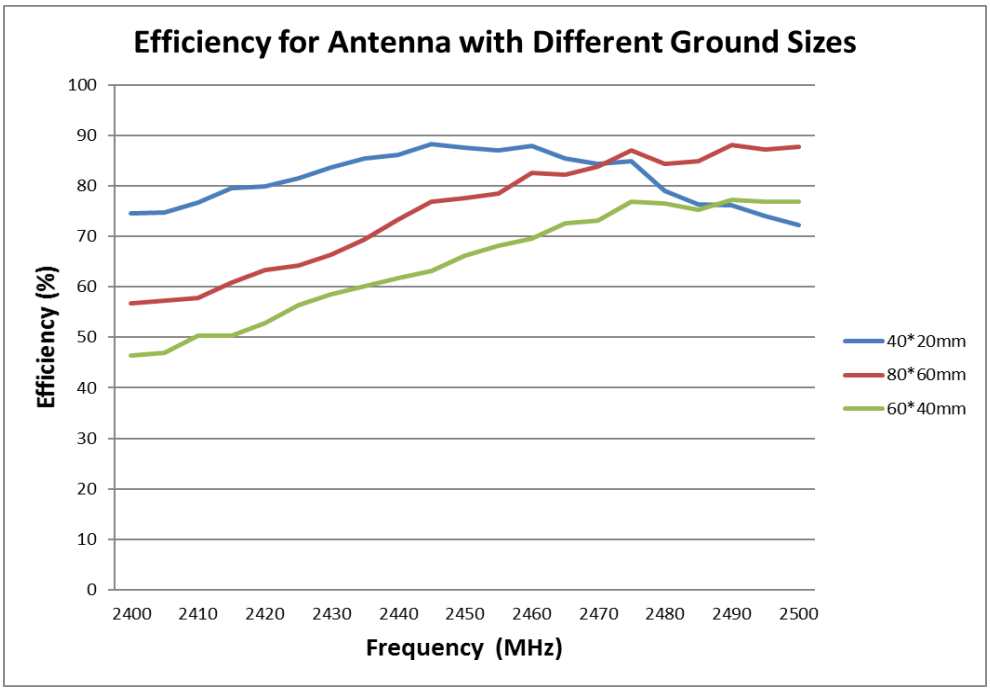

FIGURE 7.4.3 EFFICIENCY OF ANTENNA AT 2.4GHZ WITH DIFFERENT GROUND SIZES FOR CONFIGURE 1

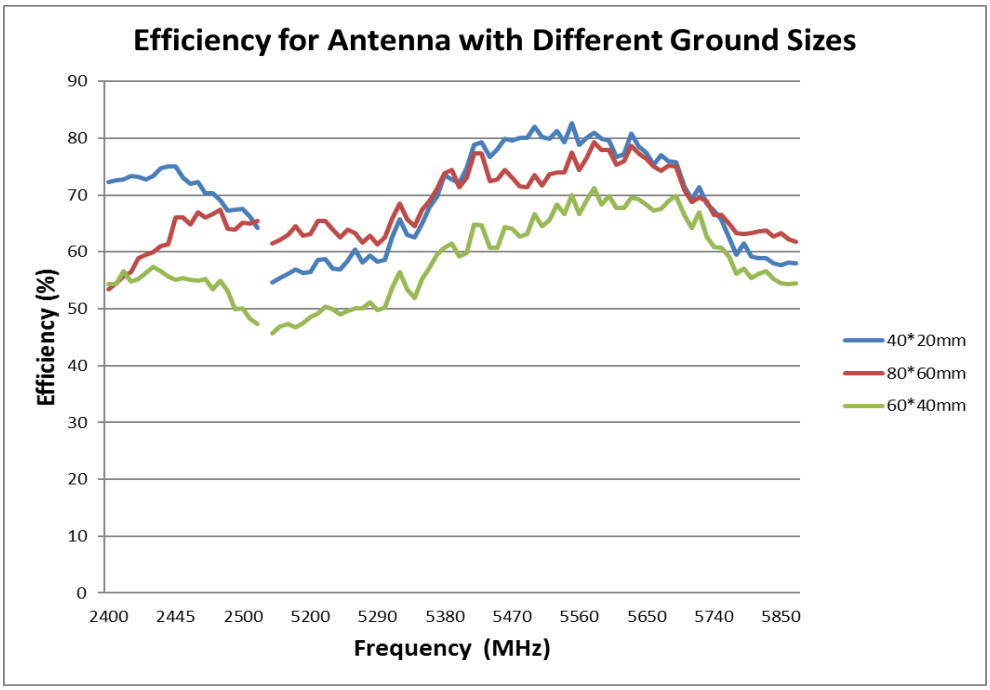

FIGURE 7.4.4 EFFICIENCY OF ANTENNA AT 2.4/5GHZ WITH DIFFERENT GROUND SIZES FOR CONFIGURE 2