

Reflectarray antenna research in TL@NUS & DSO – Part II

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A review of selected reflectarray antennas developed by high school students and undergraduates will be given. They include spatial power combining reflectarray, Ka-band reflectarray, bi-focal reflectarray, nearfield focused reflectarray and all-metal reflectarrays.

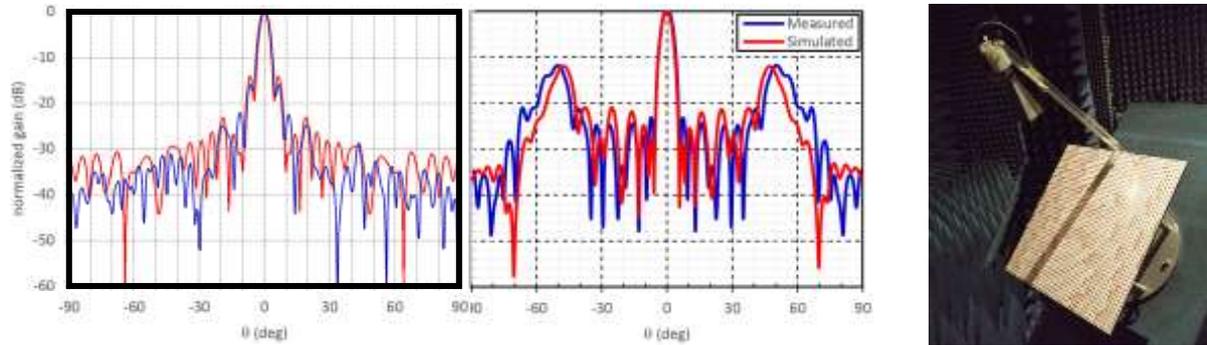


Figure 1: A novel design approach for dual-feed spatial-power combining reflectarray antenna. Comparison of measured and simulation gain patterns in (L) H-plane, and (M) E-plane. (R) Prototype in anechoic chamber. [1]

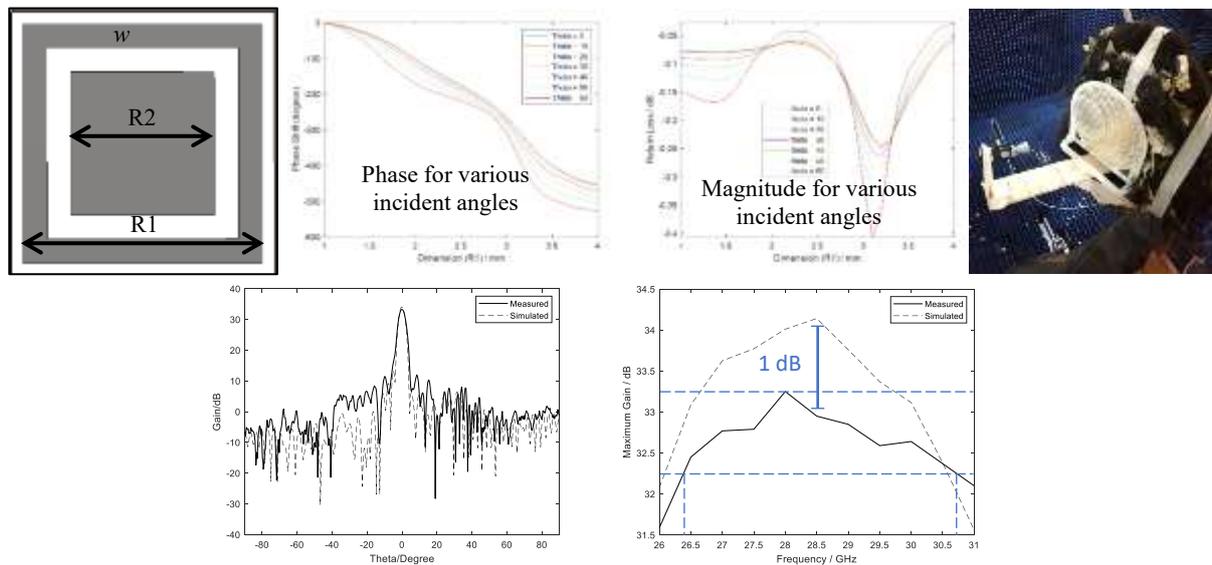


Figure 2: Ka-band reflectarray antenna for space application. Top row (L-R) unit element, phase and magnitude vs. $R1$ for various incident angles, prototype. Bottom row (L-R) Comparison of measured and simulation gain, and gain-bandwidth. [2]



Figure 3: Bi-focal reflectarray. (L-R) Schematic, prototype in anechoic chamber, comparison of measured and simulated amplitude. [3]

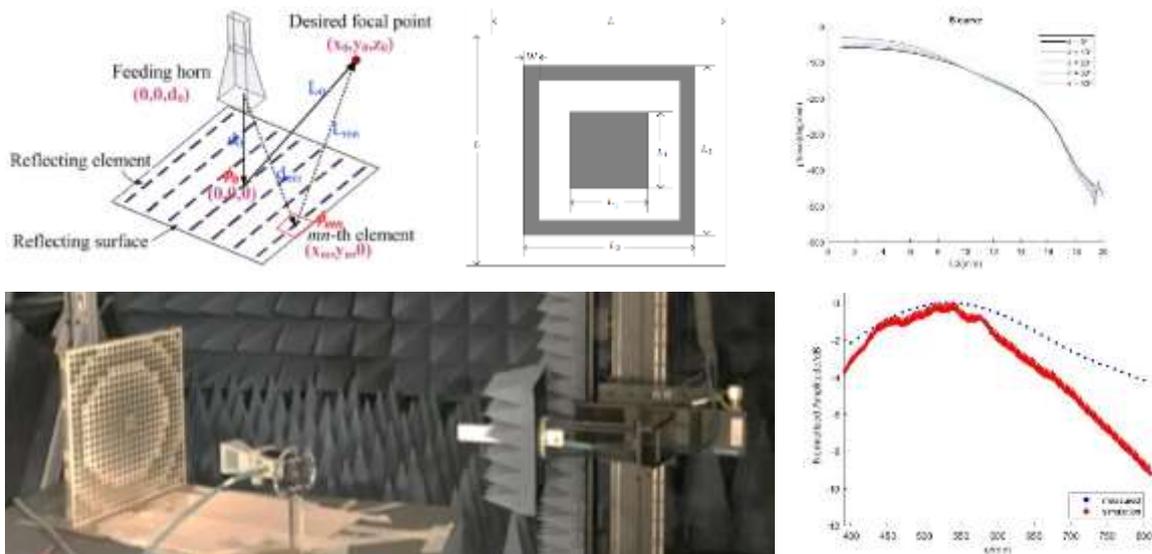


Figure 4: Nearfield focused reflectarray. Top row (L-R) Schematic, unit cell, phase response of unit cell, prototype under measurement. Bottom row (L-R) Comparison of measured and simulated amplitude. [2]

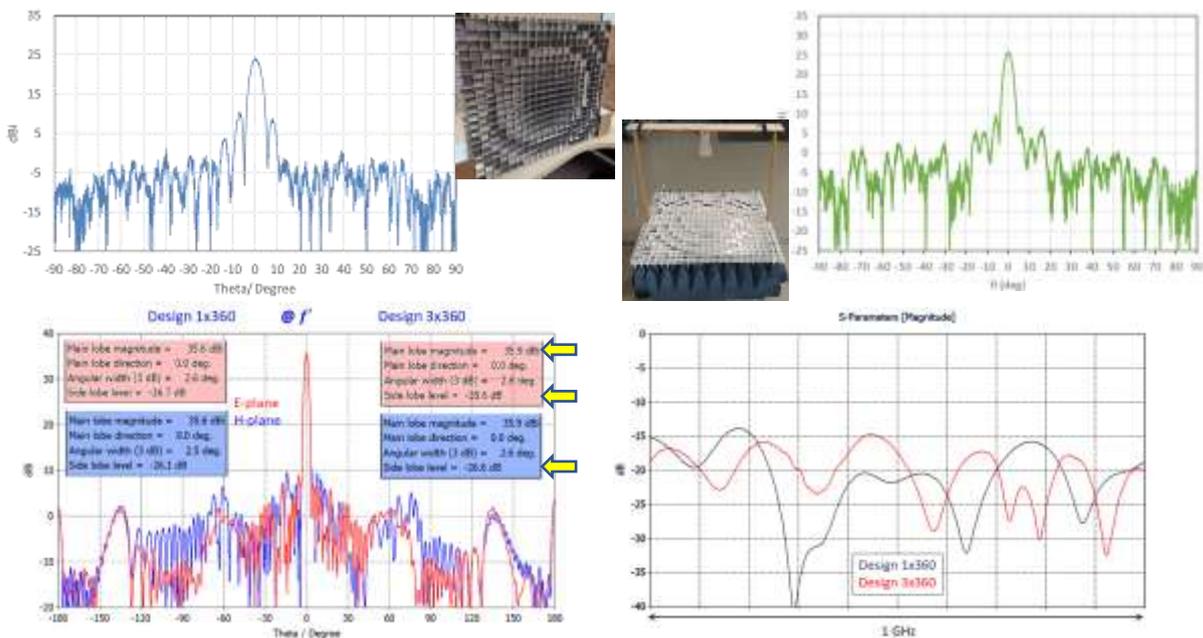


Figure 5: All-metal reflectarray. Top row (L-R) Measured patterns of two prototypes by students. Bottom row (L-R) Comparison of simulated patterns for 1x360° and 3x360° reflectarrays. [5]

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