



Performance of Antenna-in-package (AiP) Designs at Millimeter Wave Frequencies

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ABSTRACT

Antenna-in-package (AiP) has become an important solution for next generation wireless systems. As the operating frequency of systems increases, the size of the antennas decreases and to reduce losses, interconnecting the die to the antenna at the package level has become a viable technique. This research project has focused on the electrical and mechanical characterization of packaging substrates and over mold compounds for antenna-in-package design and reliability. The three-year research effort has culminated in the manufacturing of a slot bowtie antenna and E-shaped patch antenna designed to operate in G band which has frequency limits of 140-220 GHz. The antennas have been designed for characterization using a WR5 rectangular waveguide to package transition to eliminate any radiation that would be caused by a traditional ground-signal-ground (GSG) probe. Antenna input impedance bandwidth and radiation patterns will be presented for both GSG and waveguide fed antennas.



