



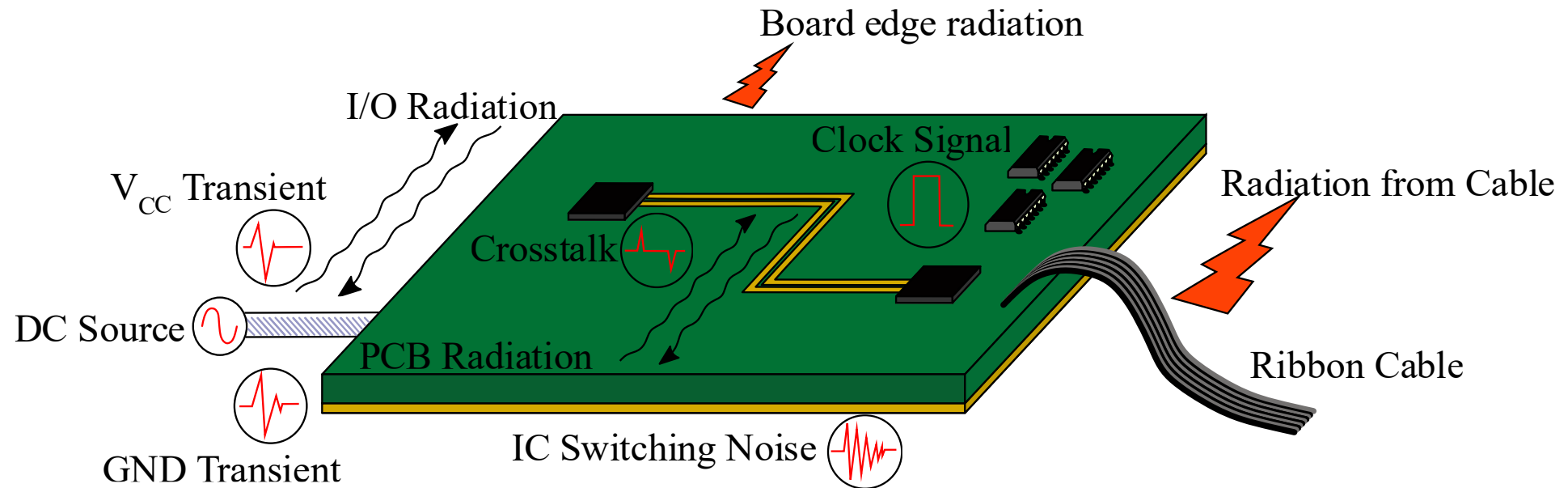
# A Fast Algorithm for the Near-Field Radiation Assessment of Interconnects

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# PCB radiation



Problem: Unwanted radiation of microwave boards and interposers

Need for **accurate & efficient** model to analyze EMC performance



# Analytical approach (Friis formula)

- Emission (antenna)

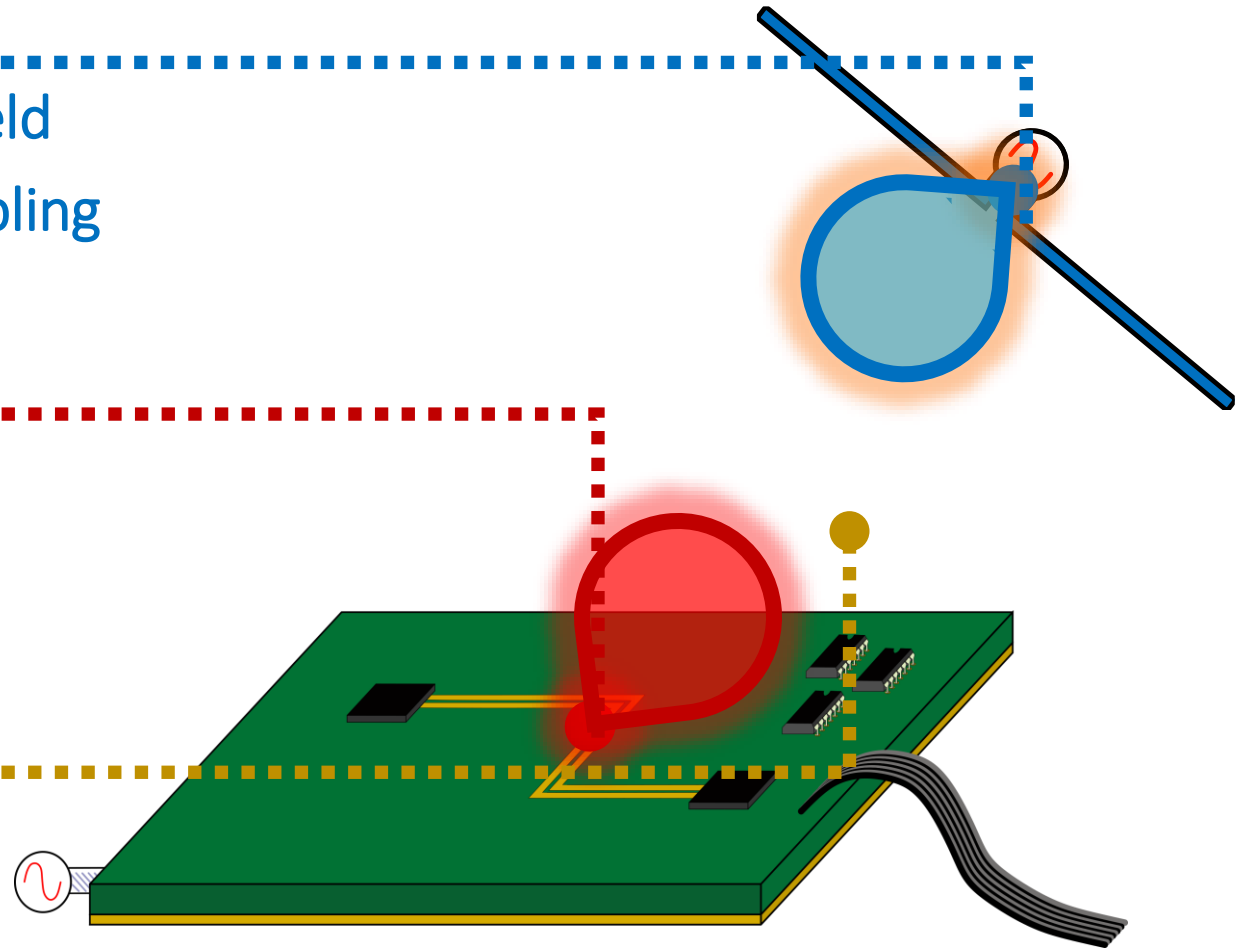
- ✓ Located in PCB/interposer's far-field
- ✗ More interested in near-field coupling

- PCB or interposer

- ✓ Assumes far-field operation

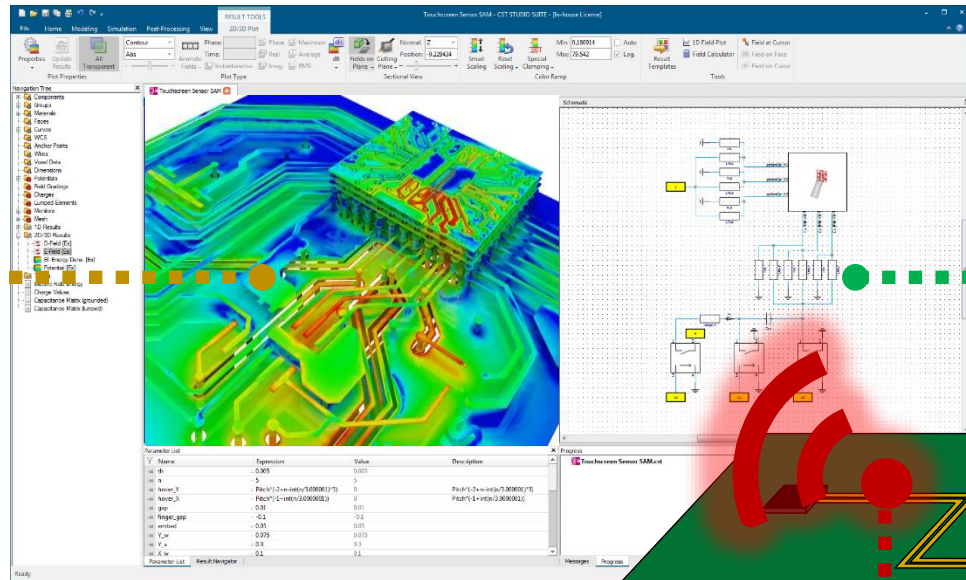
- Inaccurate range

- ✗ Ignores platform effects
- ✓ Very quick to determine



# Full-wave software

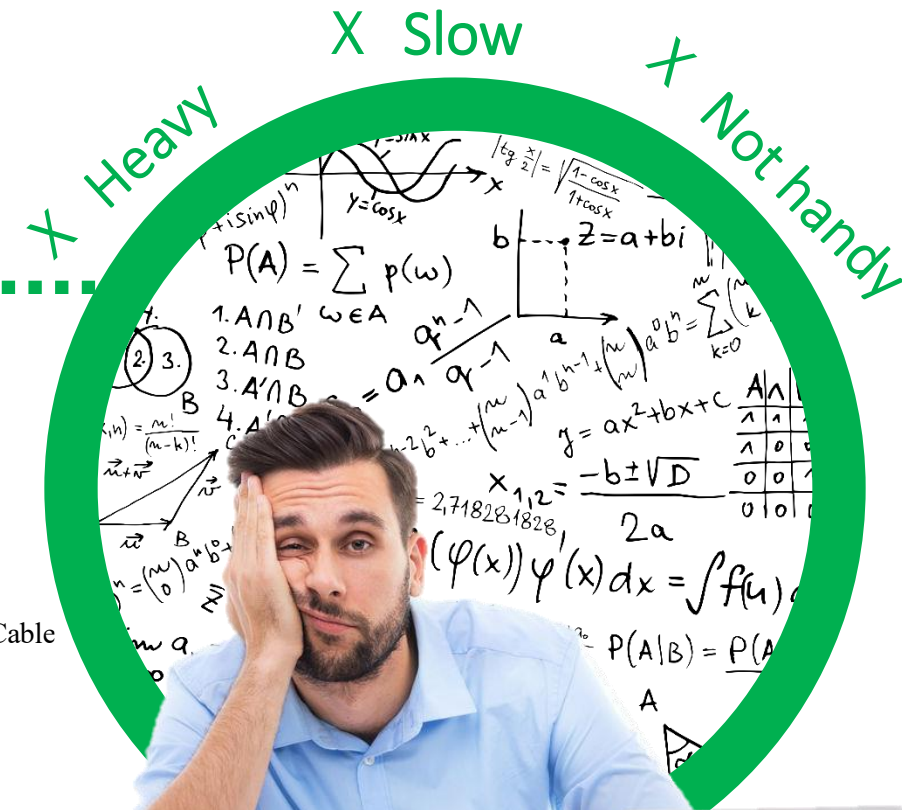
✓ Rigorously analyzed



DC Source

Ribbon Cable

✓ Realistic models



# Spherical Harmonics Decomposition

- **Far-field as input**

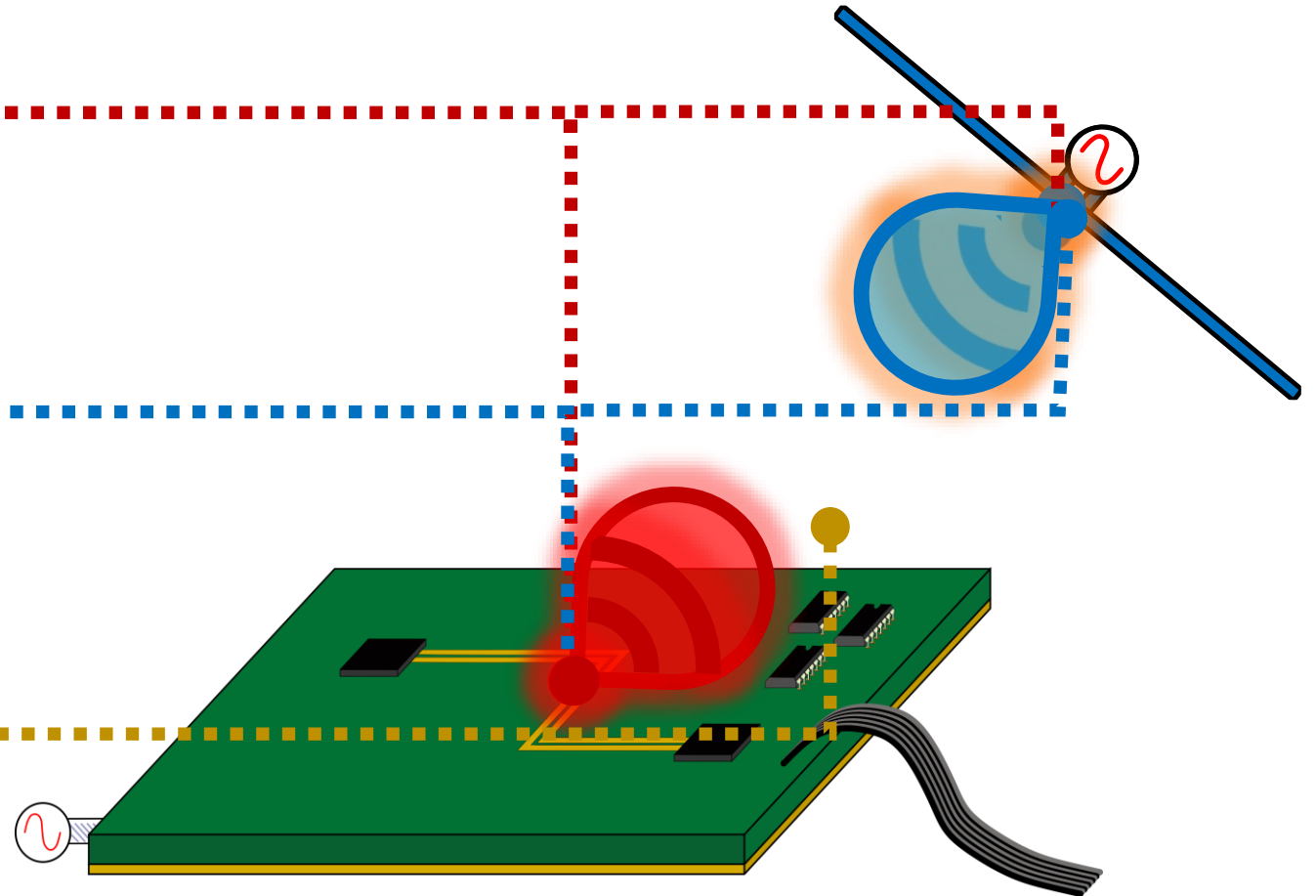
- ✓ Under deployment conditions
- ✓ Accounts for platform effects

- **Far-to-near transformation**

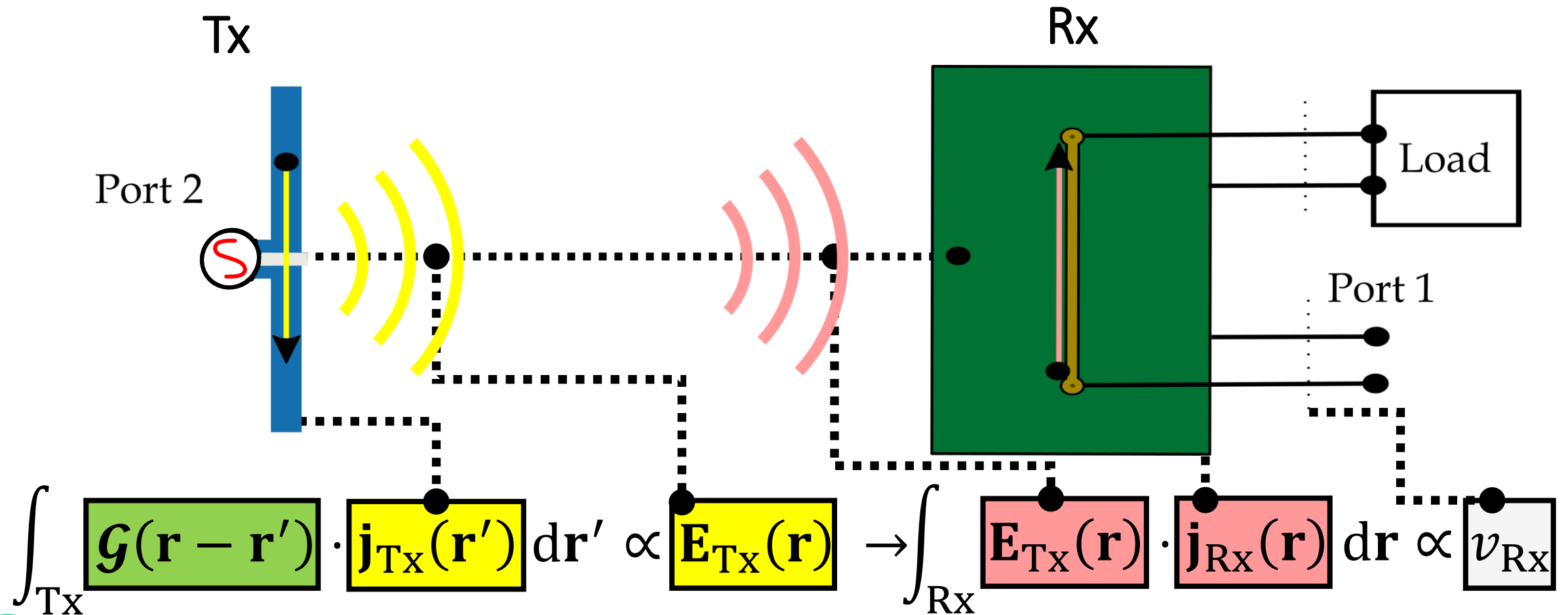
- ✓ Employs multipoles expansion
- ✓ Produces precise near-fields

- **Accurate computation**

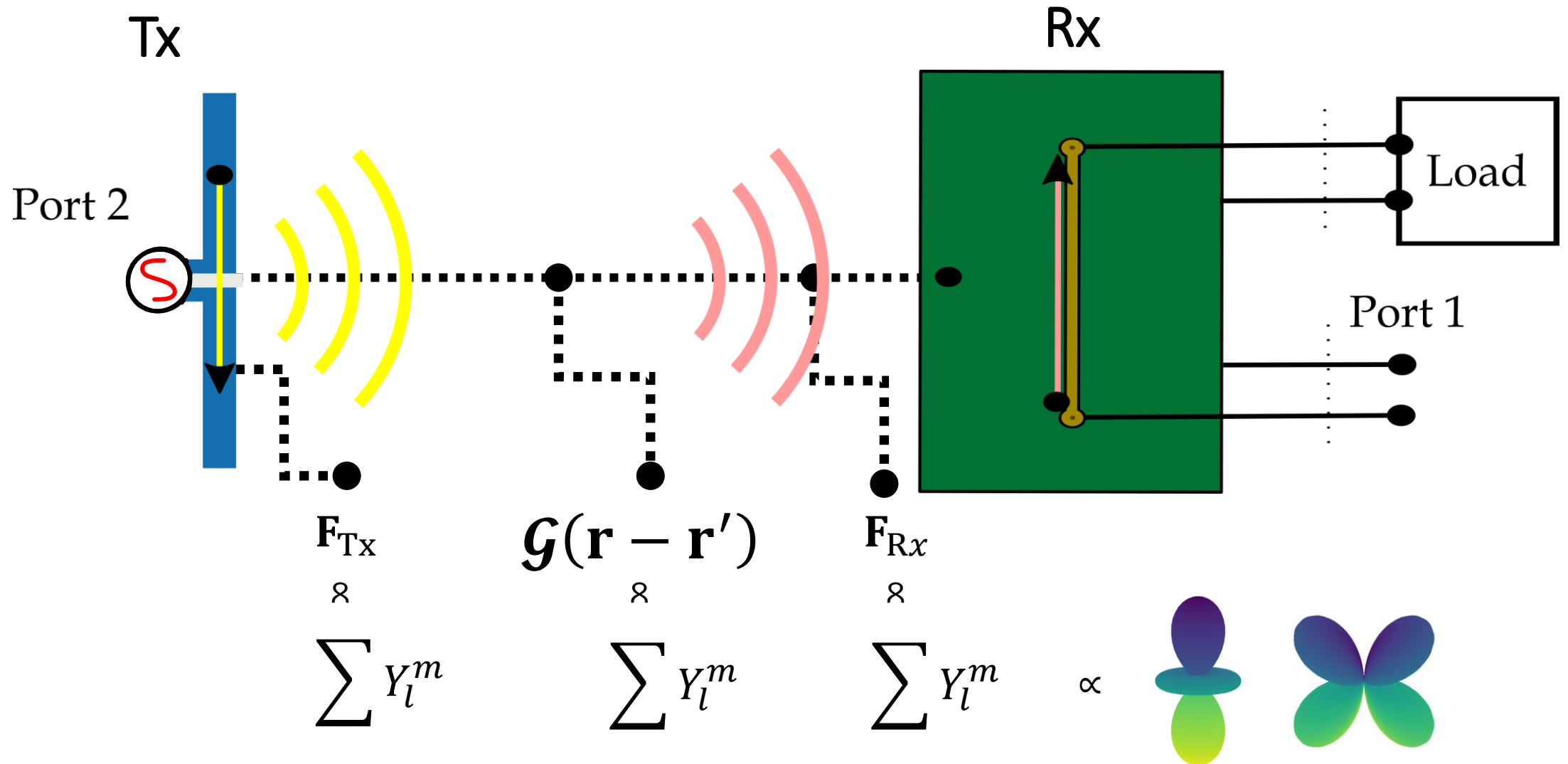
- ✓ Evaluates near-fields interaction
- ✓ Runs in just a few seconds



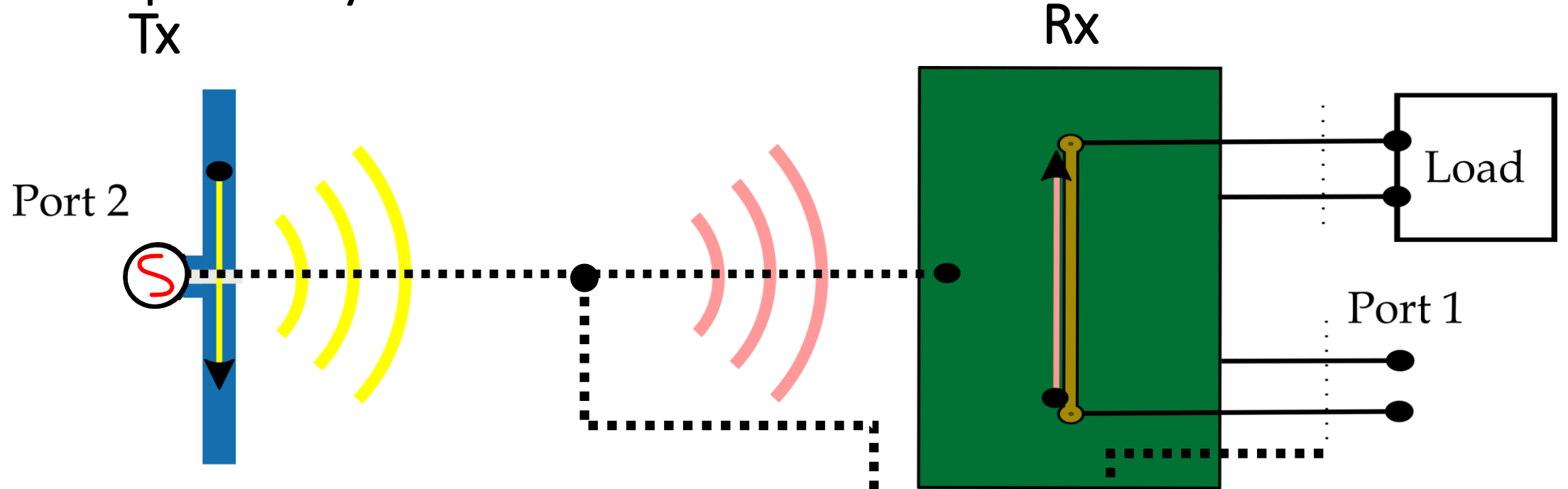
# Electric Field Integral Equation



# Spherical harmonics decomposition



# Reciprocity theorem



$$c_l \propto \langle \mathbf{F}_{\text{Tx}}, \mathbf{F}_{\text{Rx}} \rangle$$

Computationally efficient  
via spherical harmonics  
Partially precomputed

$$\sum_l$$

$$c_l(\mathbf{F}_{\text{Tx}}, \mathbf{F}_{\text{Rx}})$$

$$\mathcal{H}_l^m(\mathbf{D})$$

$$\propto v_{\text{Rx}}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_l^m(\mathbf{D}) = h_l(kD)Y_l^m(\hat{\mathbf{D}})$$

Multipole function  
Harm. Dec. of Hankel  
Accurate in near-field

# Simulation set-up

## ● E- and H-Dipole Antenna

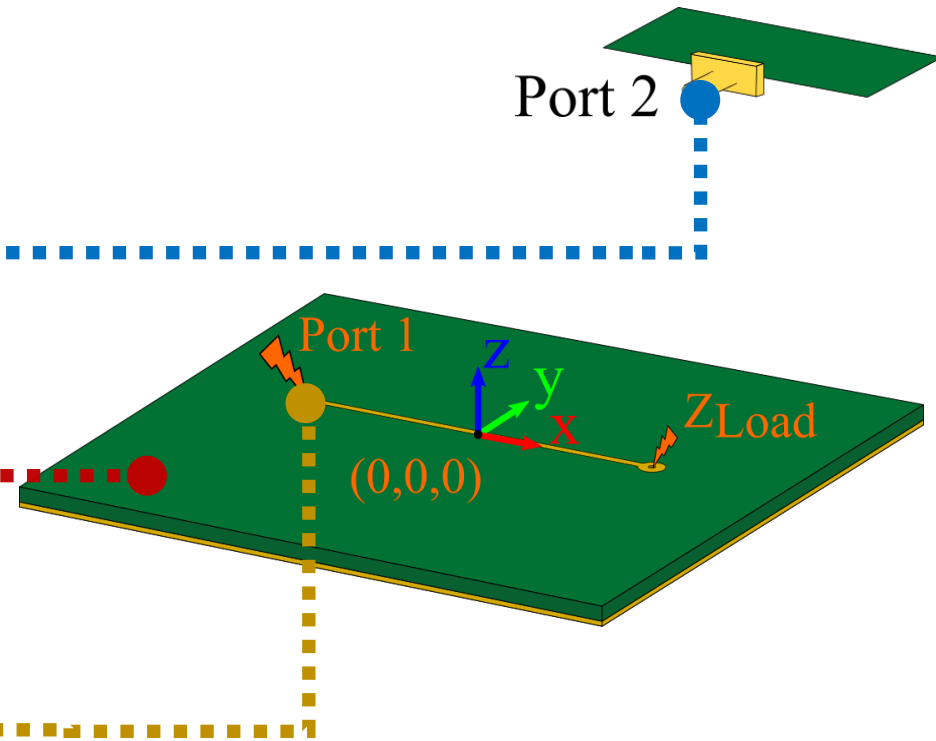
- ✓ Loaded by  $50\ \Omega$  impedance
- ✓ 1 V source

## ● PCB and Interposers

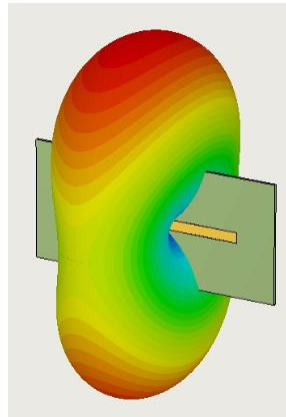
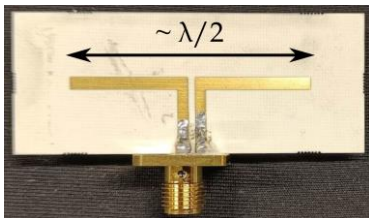
- ✓ 5.5 GHz
- ✓ Near-field within  $6\ \lambda$

## ● Simulations

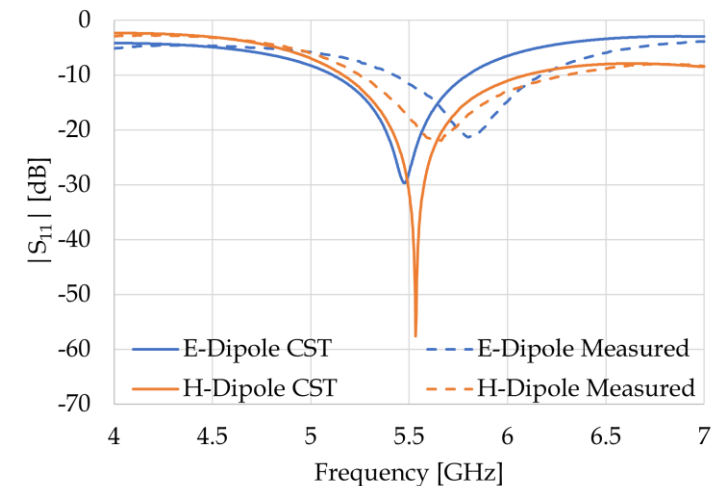
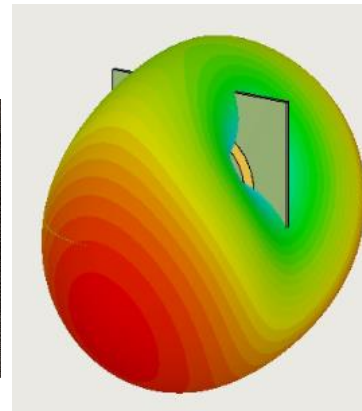
- ✓ Voltage induced at Rx Port 1



E-Dipole:



H-Dipole:



# Simulation set-up

- X- and Y-sweeps

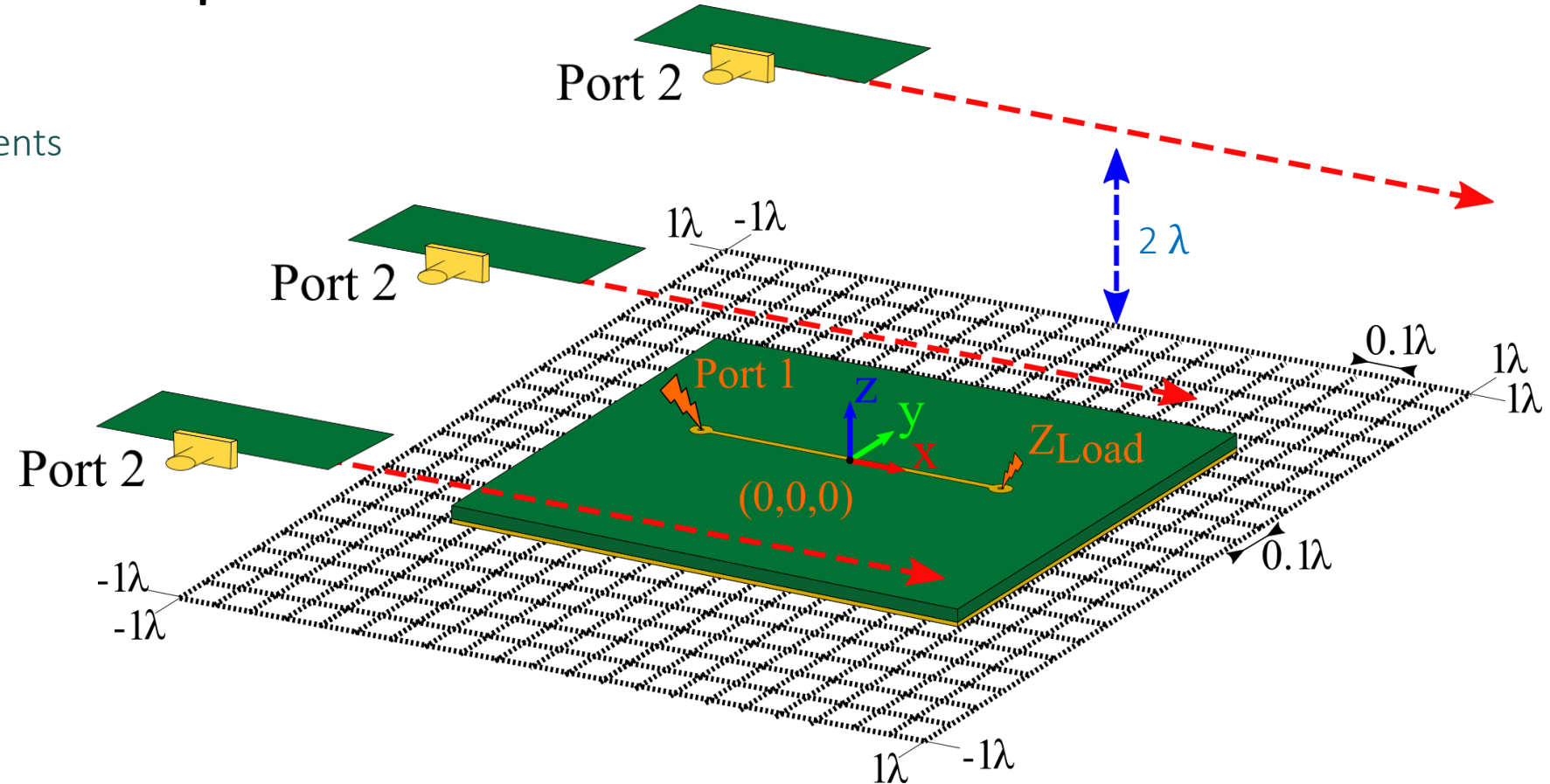
- ✓ 21 points CST and measurements
- ✓ 50 points novel method

- 3 lines each

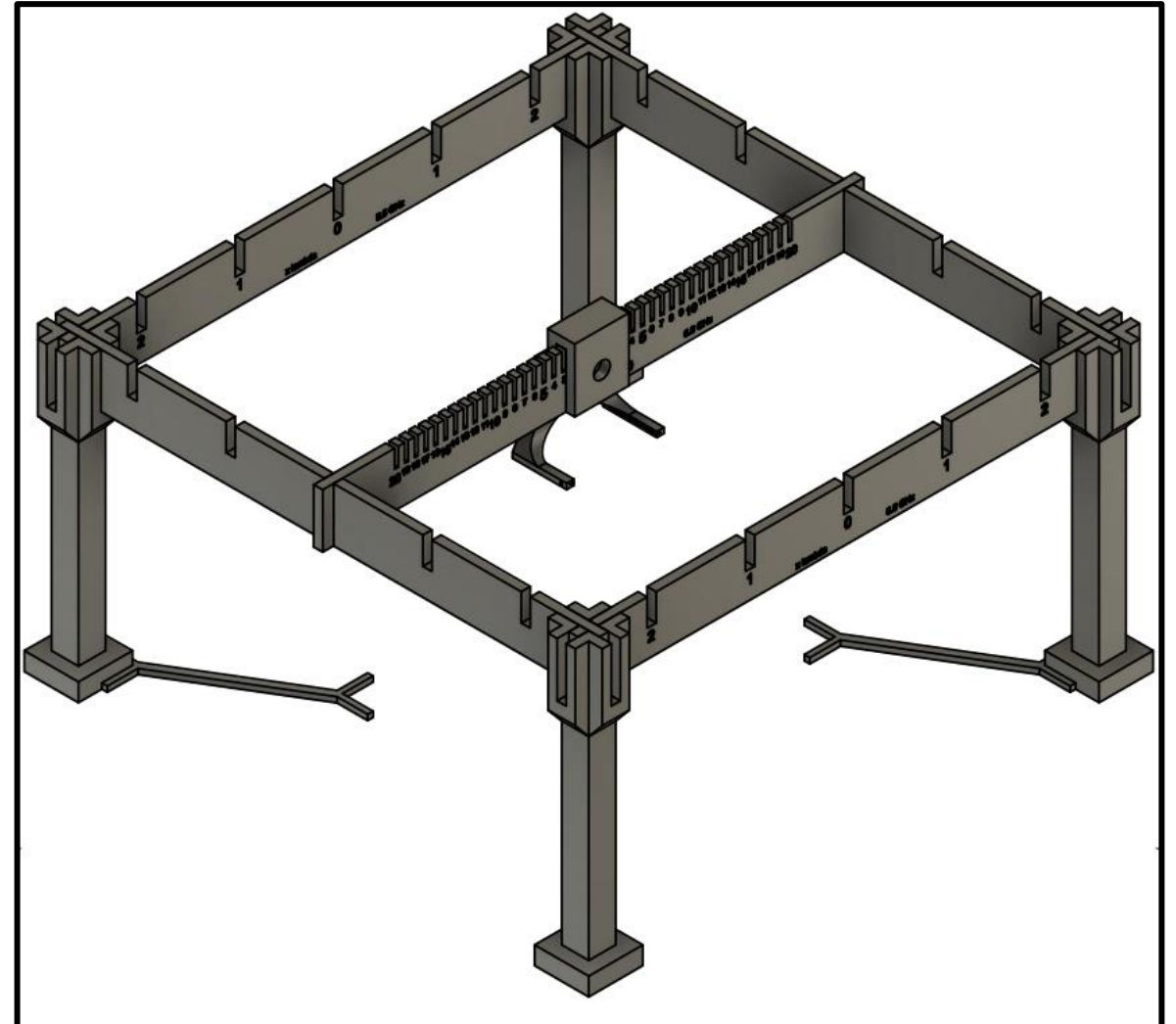
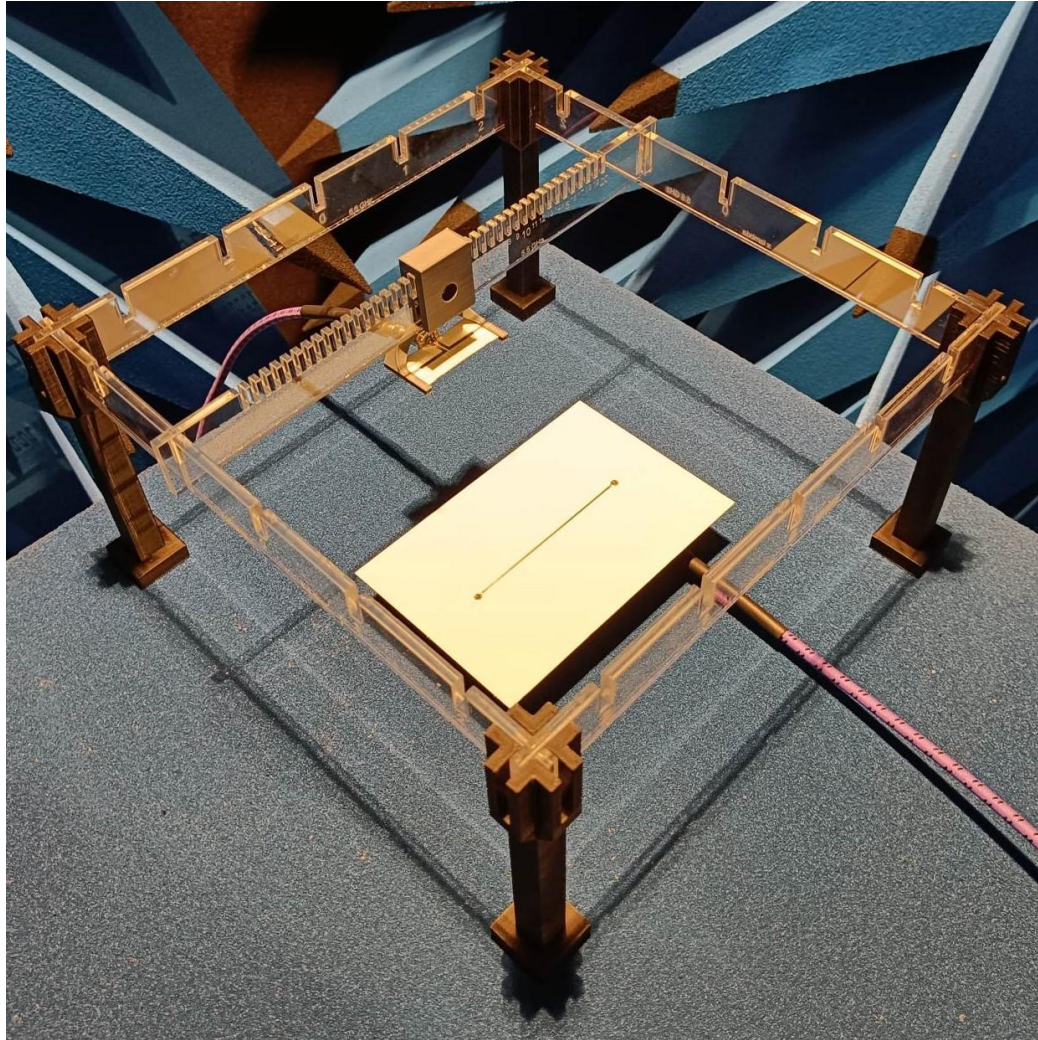
- ✓ X:  $-1\lambda$  to  $1\lambda$
- ✓ At Y =  $-1\lambda$ , 0 and  $1\lambda$
- ✓  $2\lambda$  distance

- Simulations

- ✓ 5.5 GHz ( $\lambda = 54$  mm)
- ✓ Port  $Z_{\text{Load}}$  (mis)matched



# Measurement set-up



# Validation: straight microstrip lines

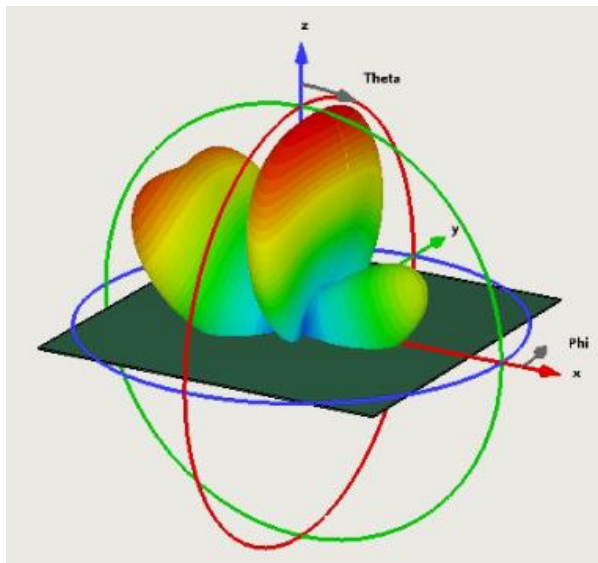


Fabricated prototype

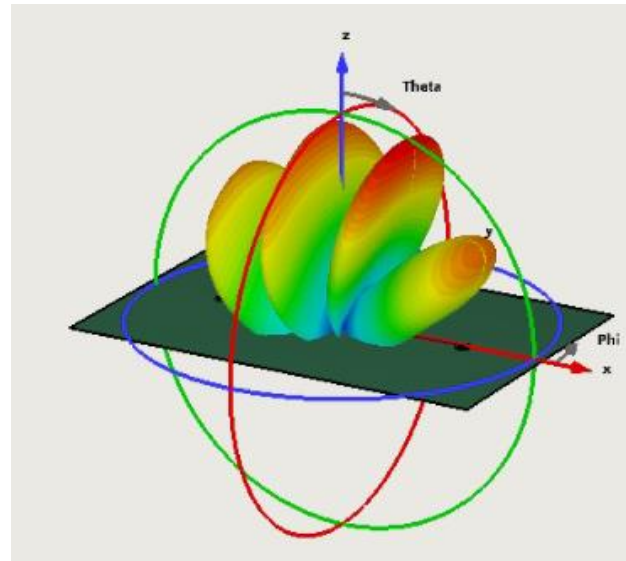
Rogers 4350B substrate

$Z_{\text{Load}} = 50 \Omega$

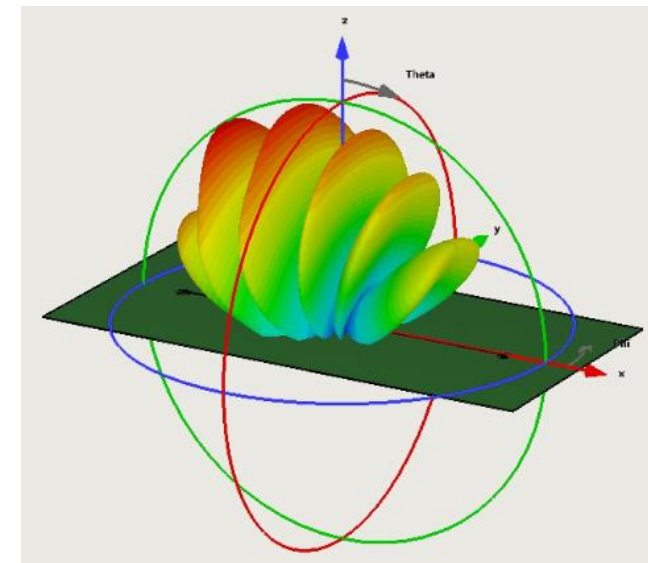
$L = 50 \text{ mm}$



$L = 100 \text{ mm}$

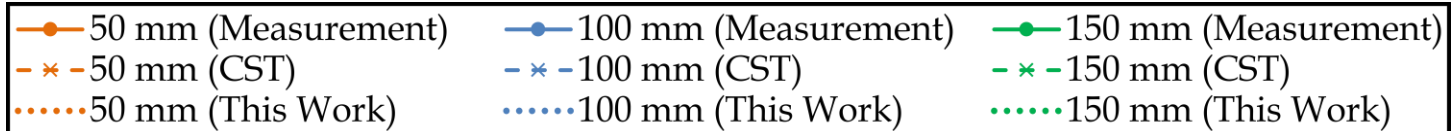
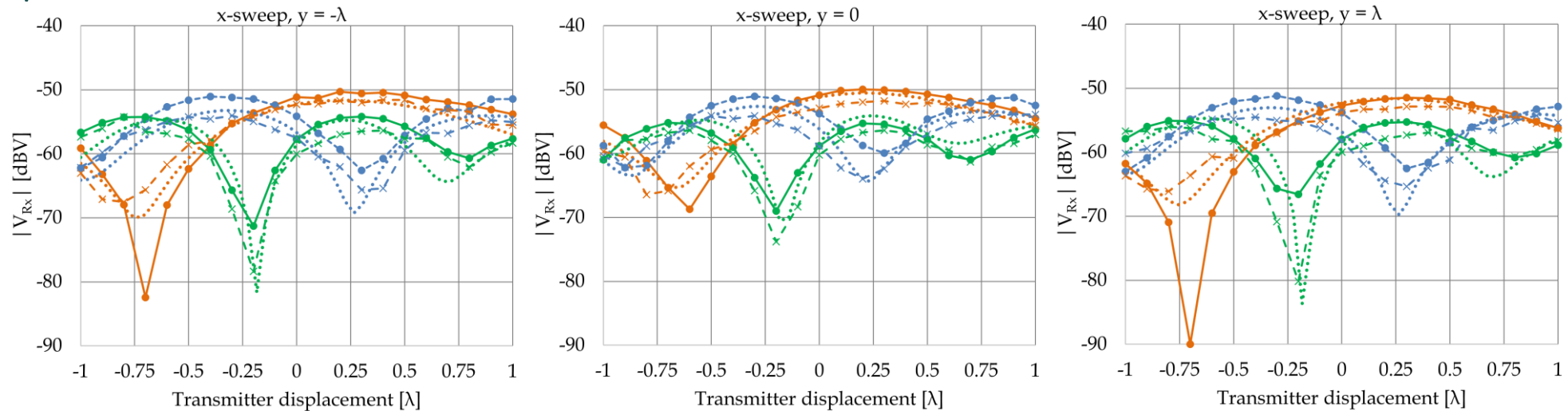


$L = 150 \text{ mm}$



# Validation: straight microstrip lines

## E-Dipole

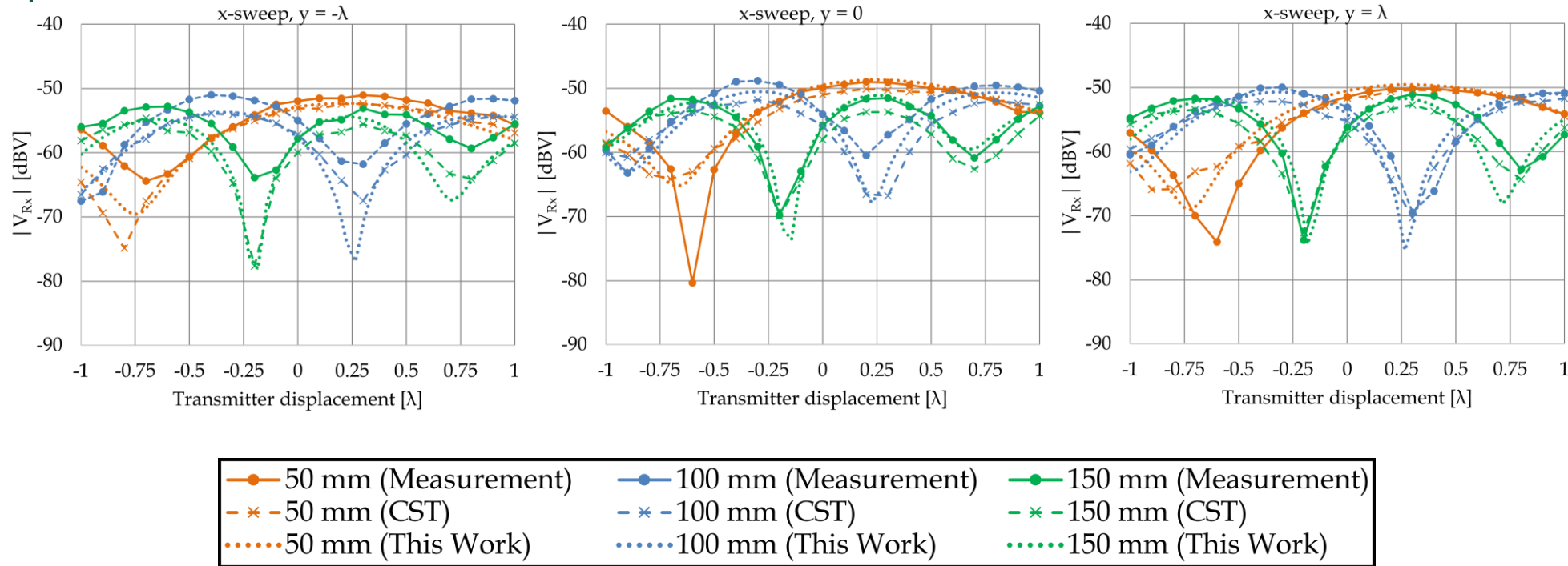


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## H-Dipole



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# Application: load mismatch



Fabricated prototype

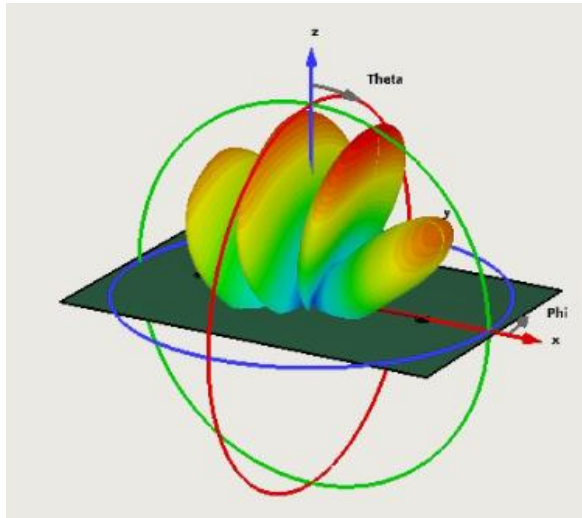
Matched Load

$$Z_{\text{Load}} = 50 \, \Omega$$

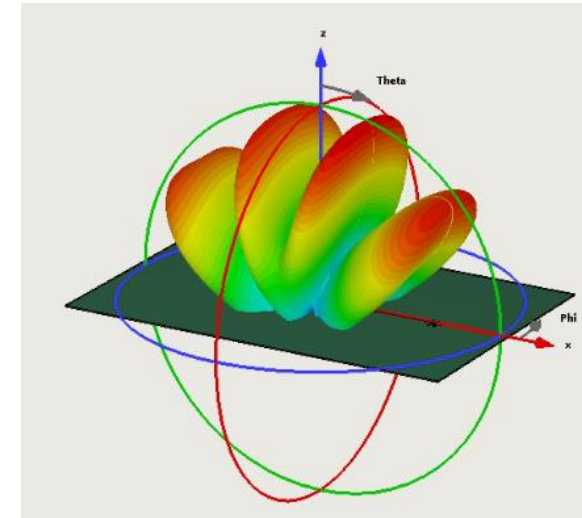
Rogers 4350B substrate  
Length = 100 mm

Short Circuited

$$Z_{\text{Load}} = 0 \, \Omega$$



Max: 0.6 V/m

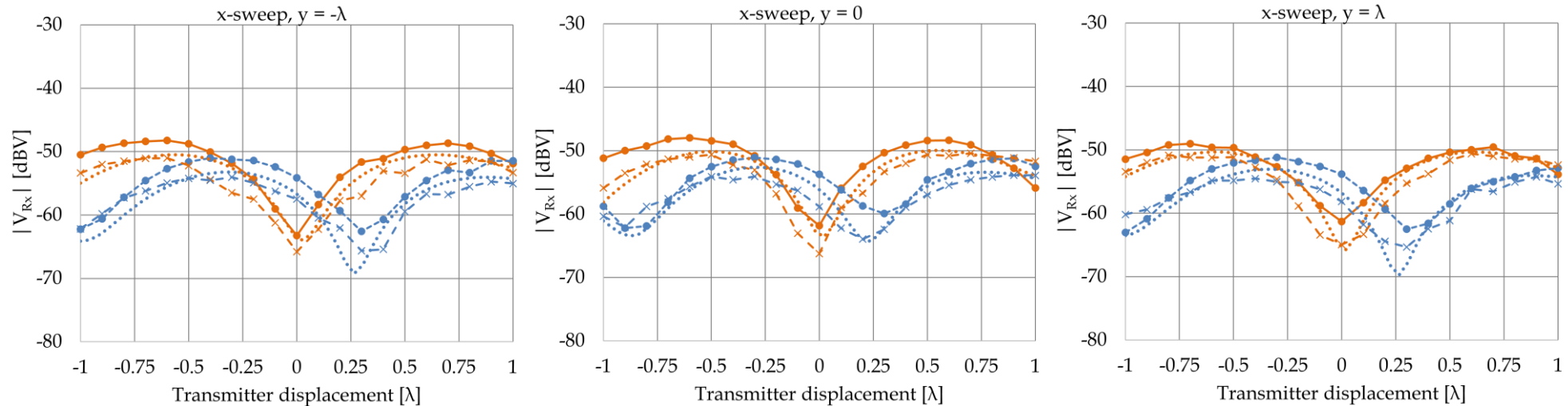


Max: 0.8 V/m



# Application: load mismatch

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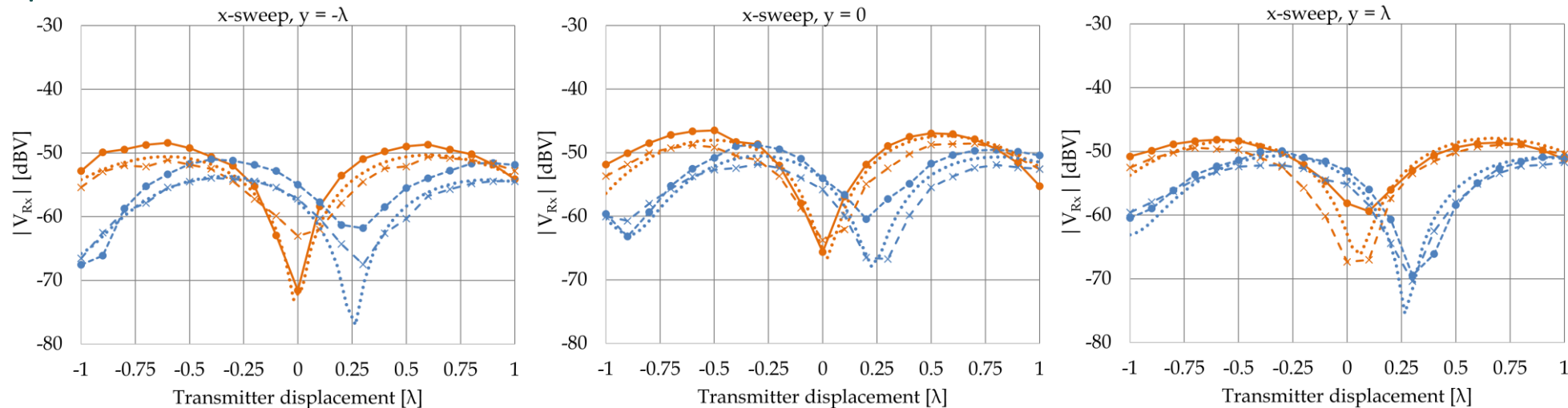


Mismatch increases radiation levels and shifts extrema



# Application: load mismatch

## H-Dipole

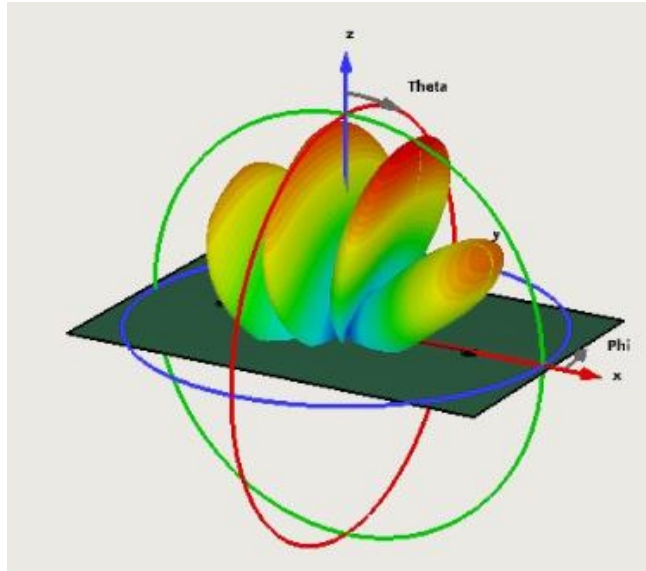
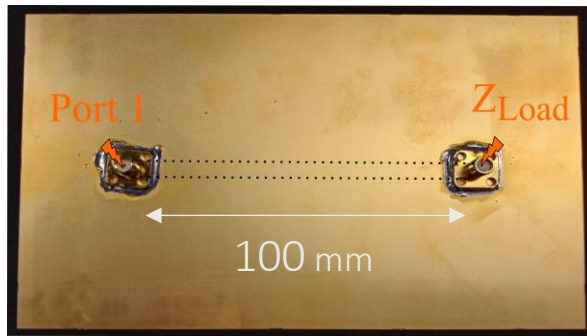


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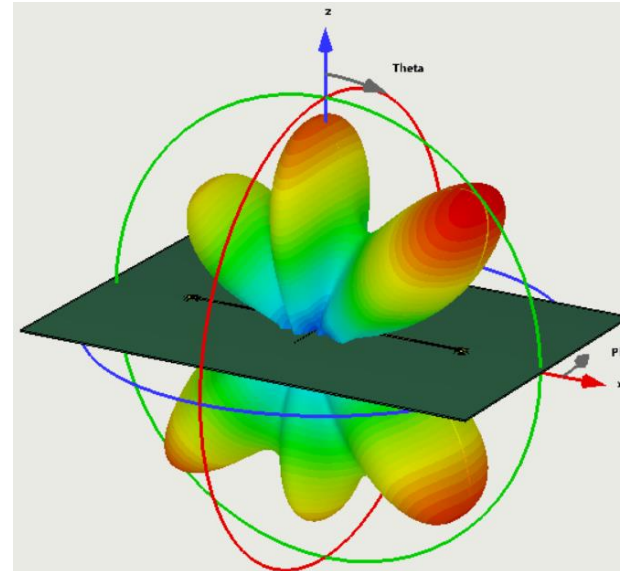
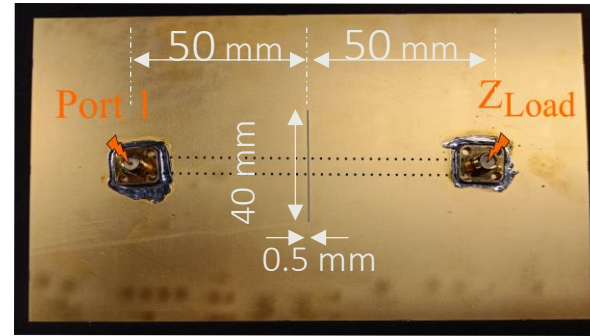
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no DGS



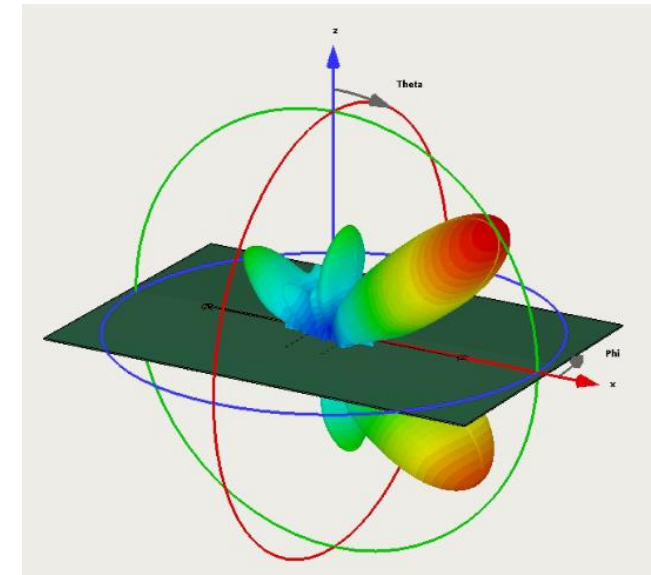
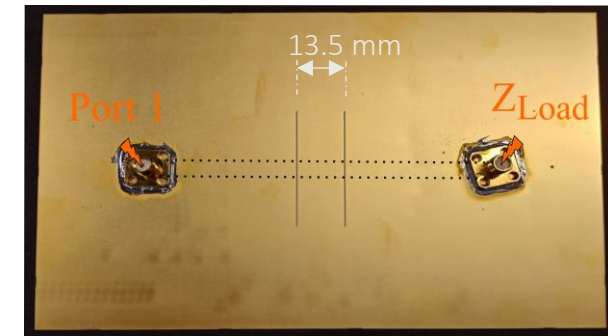
Max: 0.06 V/m

single DGS



Max: 0.36 V/m

double DGS

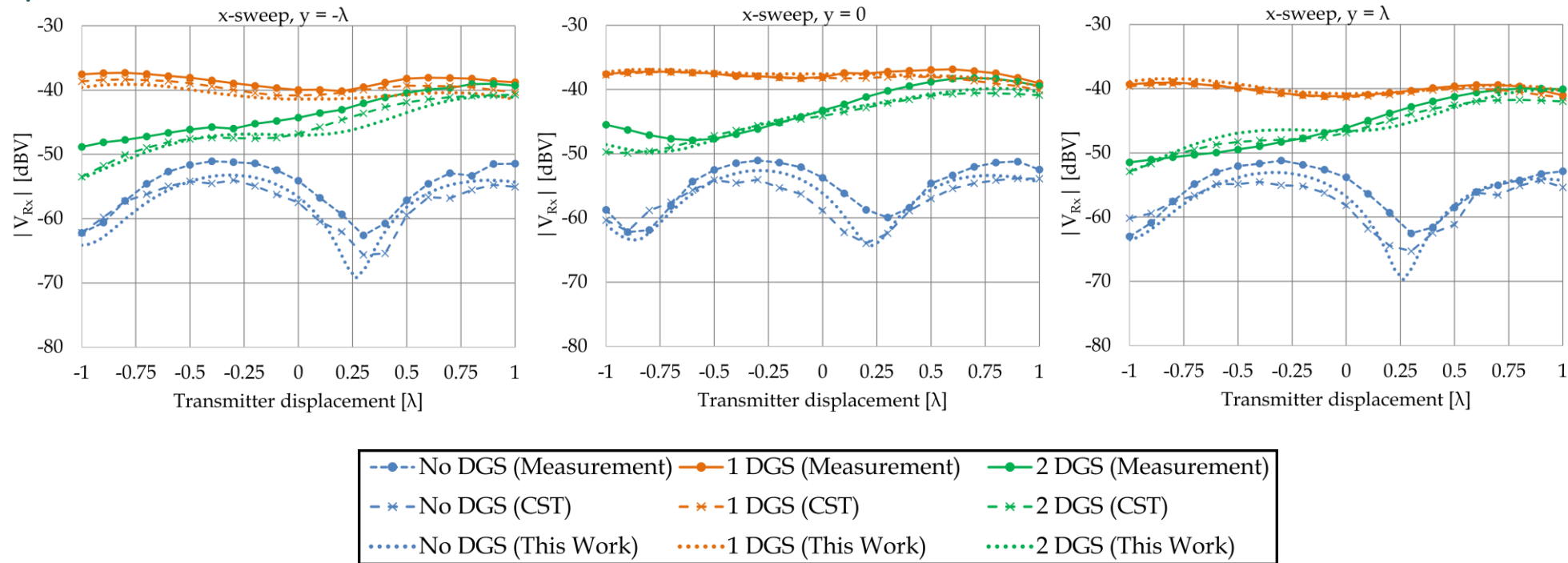


Max: 0.5 V/m



# Application: defective ground structure (GDS)

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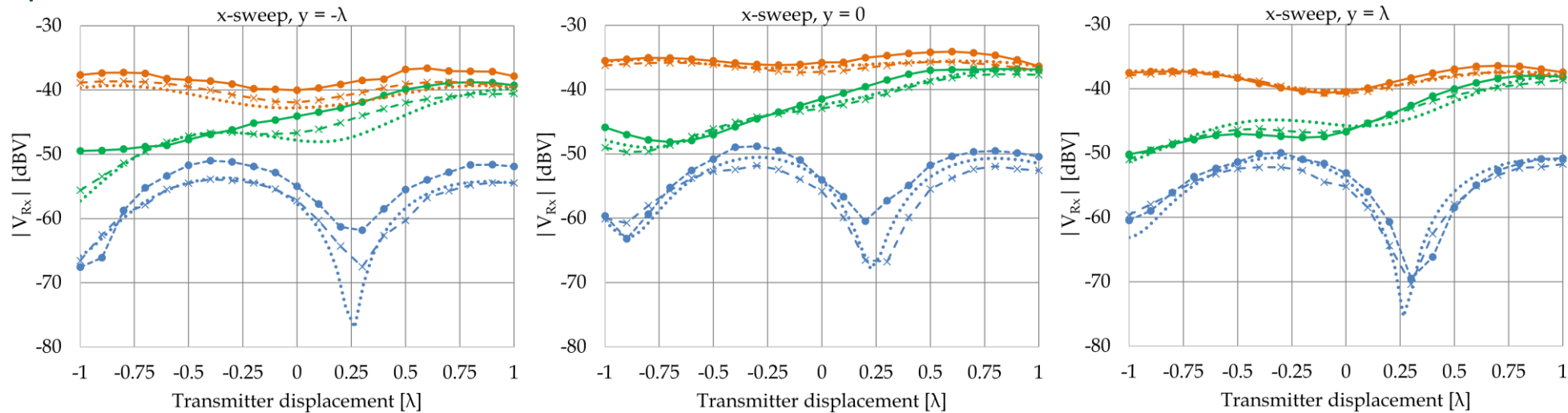


GDS drastically increases emitted radiation



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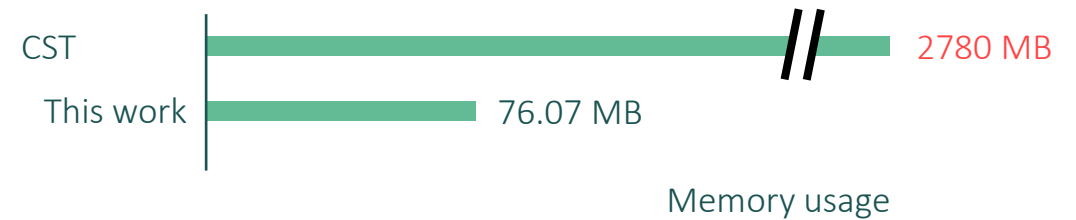
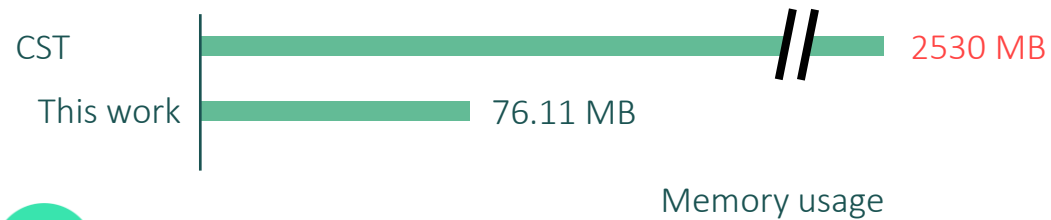
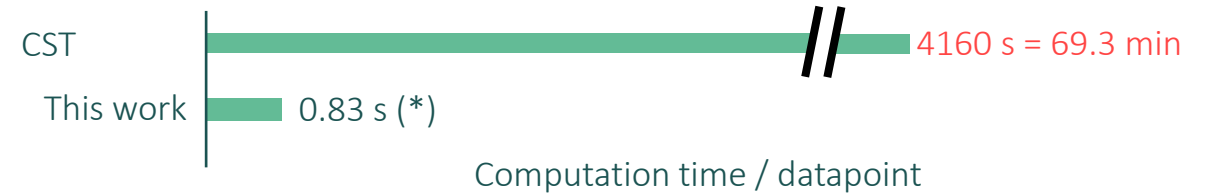
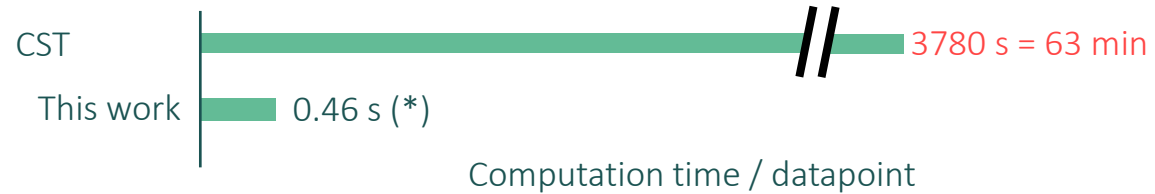
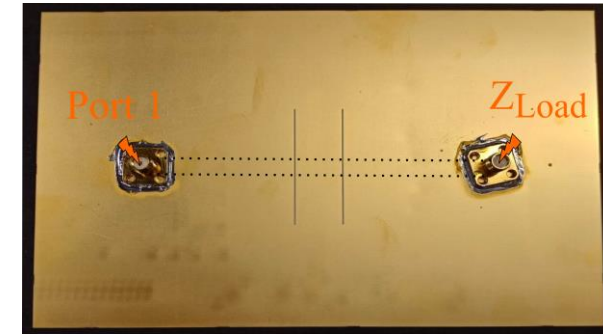
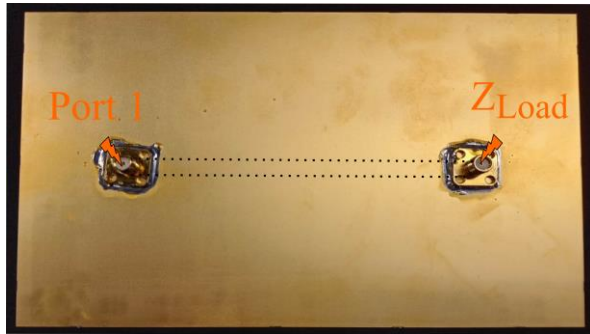
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# Performance



(\*) + 1 time rad. pattern computation of 537 s



# Conclusion

**Fast** and **efficient** method to assess radiative EMC performance

Only requires **in-situ far-field data** of **individual** components

Computation time **independent** of distance

**Accuracy validated** with commercial software and measurements

**Vastly outperforms** reference simulation in time and memory requirements



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