

## A Wideband Low-Profile Circularly-Polarized Slotted Patch Antenna

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**Abstract :** A wideband low-profile circularly-polarized antenna, consisting of  $2 \times 2$  sequentially-rotated, differentially-fed, slotted rectangular patch elements, is proposed. To realize the right-hand circular polarization, an anti-clockwise phase rotation of  $0^\circ$ ,  $-90^\circ$ ,  $-180^\circ$  and  $-270^\circ$  is applied between the antenna elements. The proposed antenna, with a height of only  $0.02\lambda$  (where  $\lambda$  is the wavelength of the antenna at the center frequency of the antenna), exhibits a 68% impedance bandwidth from 2 to 4.05 GHz with a 3dB axial ratio bandwidth in the order of 56% from 2.25 to 4.05 GHz. Moreover, a wide 3dB axial ratio beamwidth of  $140^\circ$  is obtained at the center frequency of 3 GHz, along with symmetrical radiation patterns over the operating frequency band.

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