



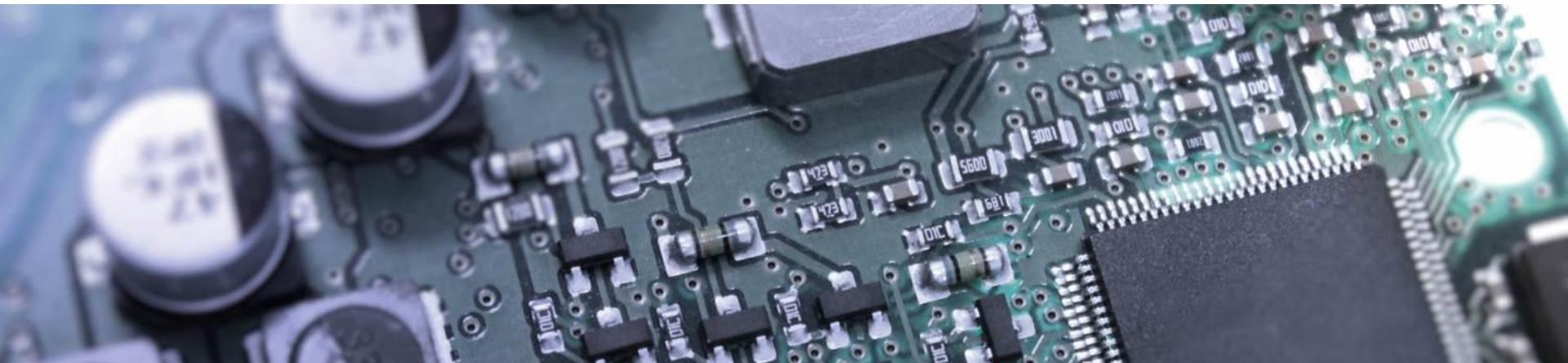
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Extraction of 13.56 MHz NFC-Reader Antenna Parameters for Matching Circuit Design

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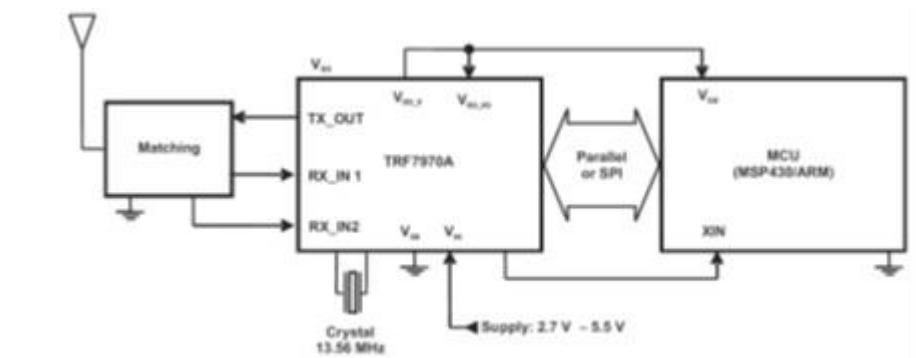
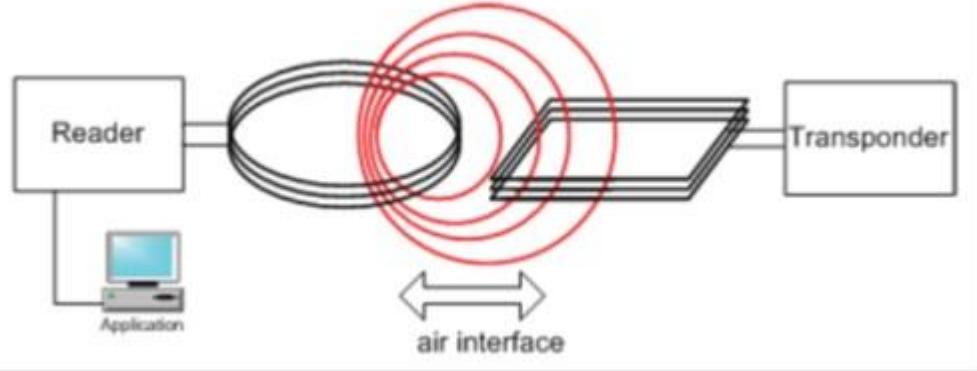


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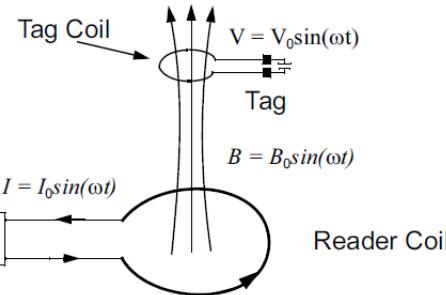
- **RFID- System and its Application**
- **Need for Matching (Tuning) Circuit**
- **Modeling of NFC-Reader-Antenna**
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- **Parameter Extraction & VNA Measurements**
- **RF-Simulation for Matching Circuit Design**
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Application Areas:

- EAS
- RFID-based Ticketing
- Smart Card
- ePassport
- Proximity Coupling devices (door opener)



Matching (Tuning) Circuit & Antenna Parameters

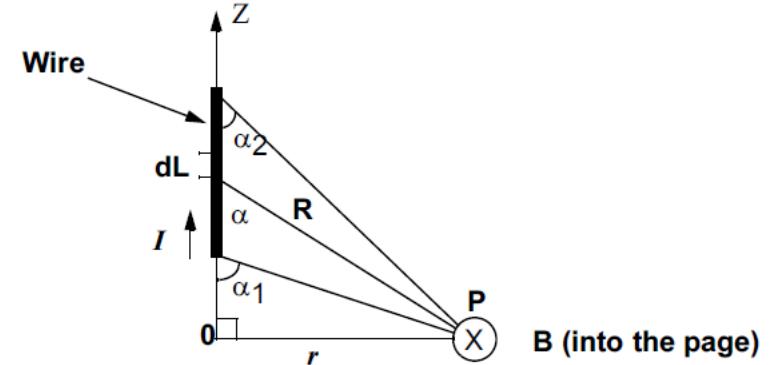


Matching Circuit will adjust the Q-factor and enhance the Power efficiency and Data Transfer Rate to/from the Antenna Coil

$$L_a = 4W_m / I_0^2, \quad R_a = \text{Re}(Z)$$

$$Q = (\omega L_a) / R_a$$

$$I_{rms} = I_0 / \sqrt{2}, \quad W_m = L_a I_{rms}^2 / 2$$



$$B = \mu_0 \mu_r I (\cos \alpha_2 - \cos \alpha_1) / 4\pi r$$

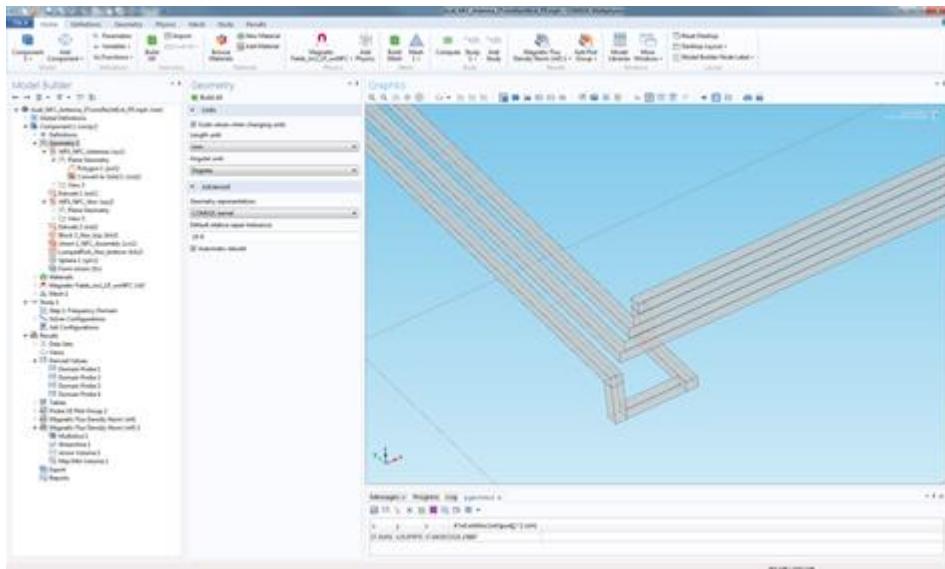
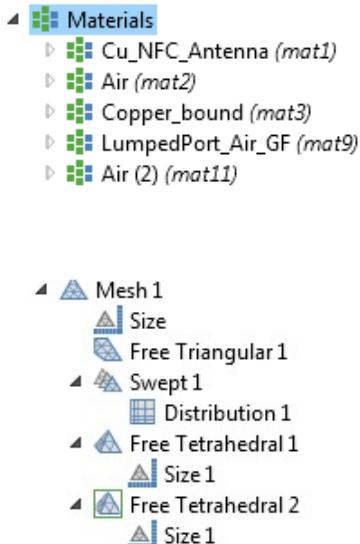
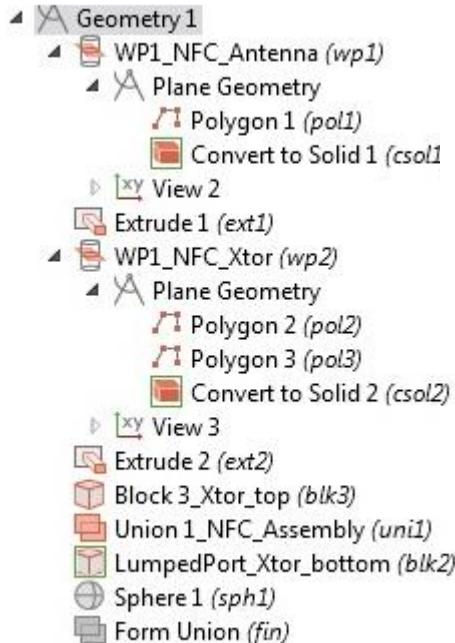
$$B = \mu_0 \mu_r I / 2\pi r, \text{ for } \alpha_2 = 0^\circ, \alpha_1 = 180^\circ$$

$$\psi_{mf} = \int B \cdot dA, \quad L_a = N \psi_{mf} / I$$

$$\delta = 1 / \sqrt{\pi f \mu \sigma}, \quad R_a = l / (\sigma A_{active})$$

Modeling of NFC-Reader-Antenna

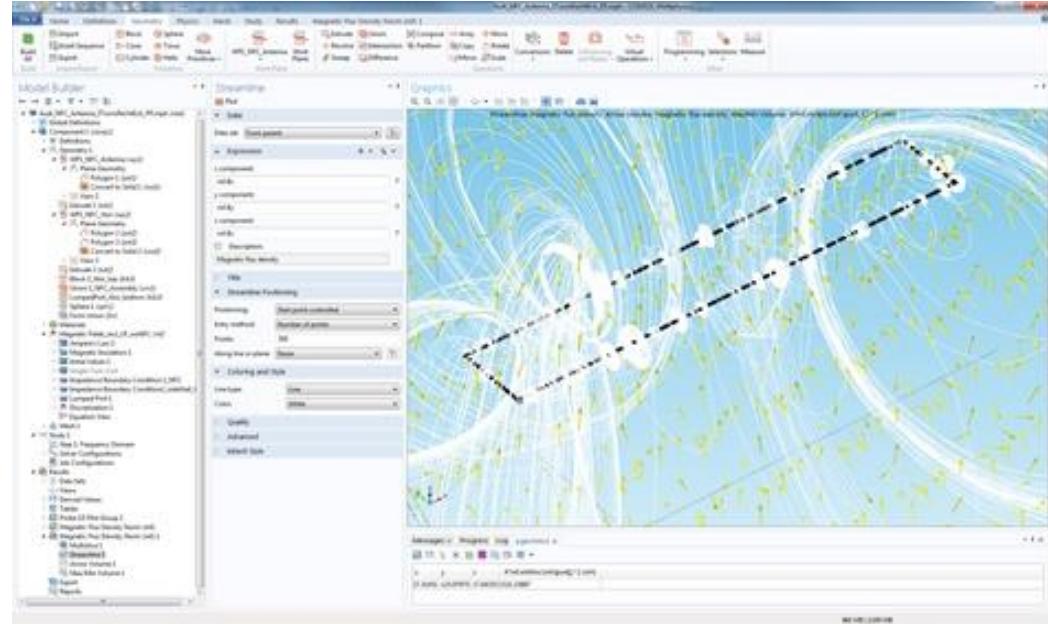
Model Building Steps:



Simulation of NFC-Reader Antenna

MF-Physics Interface:

- ◀ Magnetic Fields_incl_LP_woNFC (*mf*)
 - ▷ Ampère's Law 1
 - ▷ Magnetic Insulation 1
 - ▷ Initial Values 1
 - ▷ Single-Turn-Coil
 - ▷ Impedance Boundary Condition 1_NFC
 - ▷ Impedance Boundary Condition2_sideWall_LP
 - ◀ Lumped Port 1
 - ^{au-f} Equation View
 - ▷ Discretization 1
 - ^{au-f} Equation View





VNA-Measurements of Reader-Antenna



Extracted Parameter Values
from Comsol Simulation:

$$L_{a_comsol} = 1.52 \mu H,$$

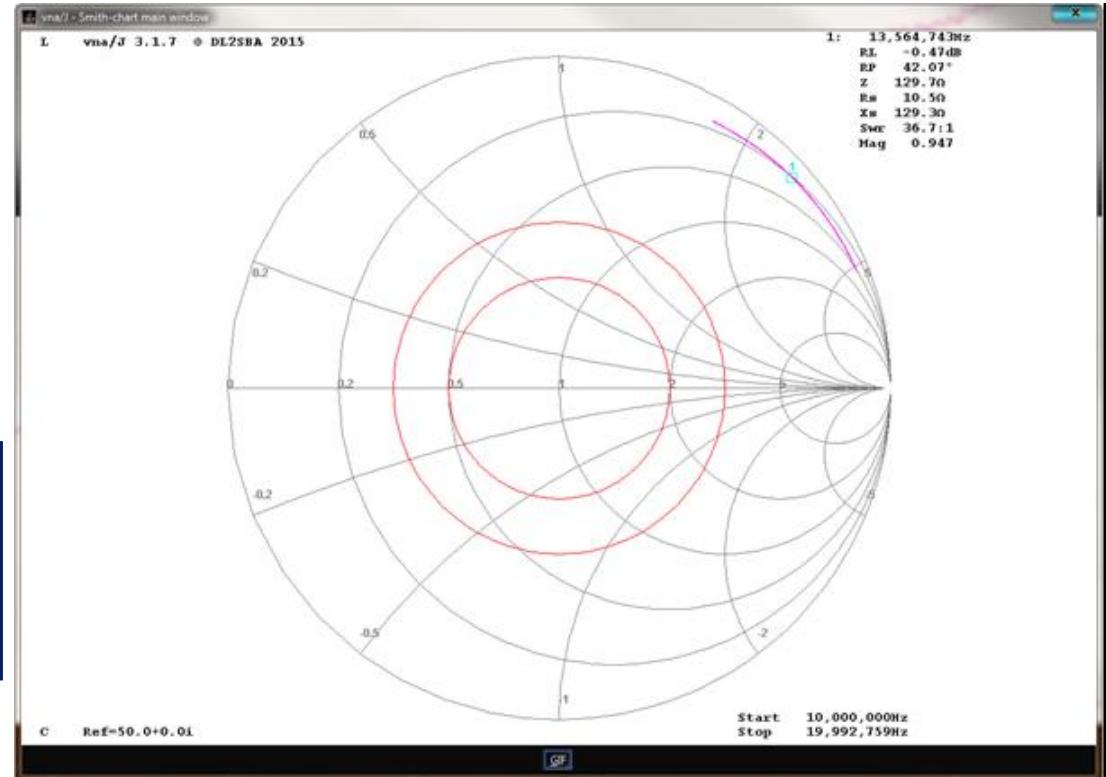
$$R_{a_comsol} = 1.6 \Omega$$

Antenna Parameter Values from
VNA-measurements/Smith Chart:

$$X_s = 129.30 \Omega, \omega = 2\pi f = 8.52 \times 10^7$$

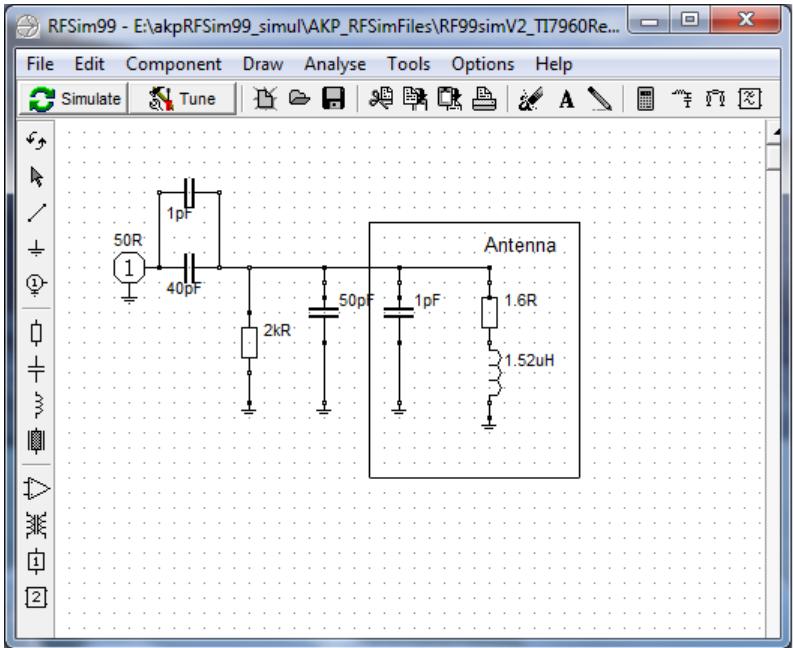
$$L_{a_vna} = X_s / \omega = 1.52 \mu H,$$

$$f = 13.56 MHz, R_{a_vna} = 10.3 \Omega$$

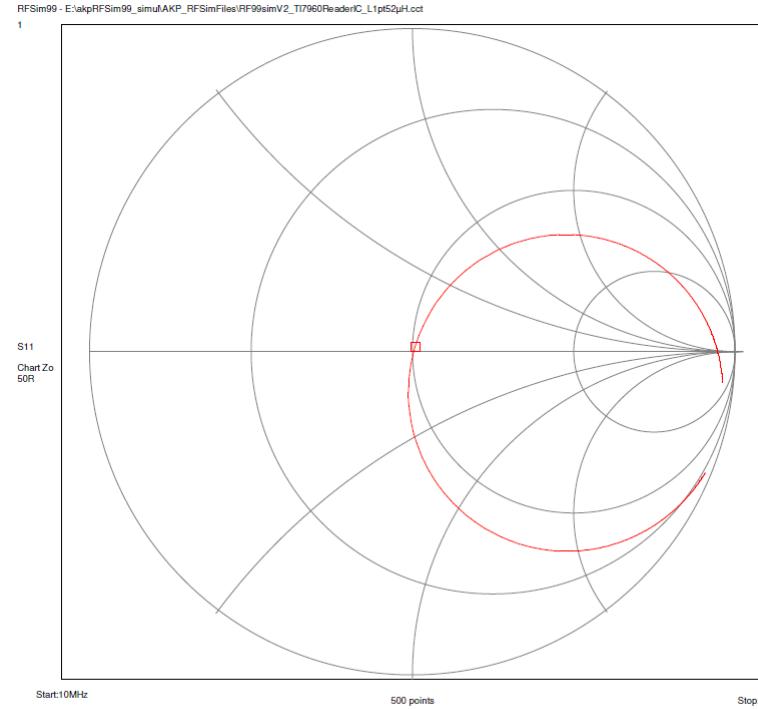




RF-Simulation of NFC-Reader Antenna



Damping Resistance 2k & Series and Parallel Capacitances (40pF & 50 pF) are selected from RF-Simulation





Conclusion:

- ✓ 3D-Model of NFC-Reader-Antenna was built and simulated using Comsol frequency domain tool.
- ✓ Antenna Parameters (L_a & R_a) were extracted at 13.56 MHz frequency and compared with VNA Measurements
- ✓ The L_a value matches reasonably good (max. 10 -15% error)
- ✓ Extracted parameters were used again for RF-simulation to design the suitable Matching Circuit
- ✓ Designed antenna performed very well with the proposed Matching Circuit components.



Thank you very much for your attention!

