





Development of a Radar Sensor (Amplitude Detector) in the E-Band Range

Objective of the Master's Thesis:

The focus of this master's thesis is the development of a sensor for the detection of radar radiation in the E-band range. The sensor is designed to convert the amplitude of the received radar waves into a proportional voltage value. The core of the work is the design and realization of a frontend, which includes an antenna and a measurement circuit based on GaAs diodes. These components are to be integrated on a high-frequency printed circuit board, with the Vivaldi antenna being considered as a potential solution for the antenna design. After completion of the circuit board, comprehensive measurements are planned to determine key parameters and evaluate the performance of the sensor.

Sections of the Master's Thesis:

- Identification of relevant parameters for the efficiency and accuracy of radar sensors.
- Investigation of various types of antennas and measurement circuits, especially the GaAs diode, for use in high-frequency environments.
- Design and Commissioning of the Sensor:
 - Design and simulation of the high-frequency printed circuit board with optimal signal integrity in mind.
 - Construction and physical setup of the Vivaldi antenna and the measurement circuit.
 - Implementation of the frontend on the printed circuit board.
- Measurement and Evaluation:
 - Conducting test series to determine the performance characteristics of the developed sensor.
 - Analysis of measurement data to determine frequency independence and voltage proportionality.
 - Validation of results in comparison to theoretical expectations and identification of optimization potentials.

Organizational matters

- Requirements: Education in Electrical Engineering, Information and Computer Engineering or Physics
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