





Industrial Keynote

Accurate Materials' Testing as an Enabler for Microwave and Millimeter-Wave Industries

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Outline:

- 1. Introduction to IMS SC-31 (Th1E, Th2E).
- 2. Microwaves and Materials.
- 3. Material Data for Microwave Engineering.
- 4. QWED's Position on the Scene.
- 5. Industrial Benchmarking Initiatives iNEMI.
- 6. Summary and Outlook.





Introduction to IMS SC-31: Today



Emerging Technologies

- 28 AI/ML for RF to mmWave AI/ML, algorithms implementations, and demonstrations for: spectrum sensing; mobile edge networking; MIMO and array beam operations and management; design and optimization; in-situ sensing, diagnostics, control, reconfiguration of MHz to THz communication and sensing circuits and systems
- Quantum devices, circuits, and systems Quantum devices and circuits (incl. cryogenic RF circuits); algorithms, interfaces, and systems for quantum computing and quantum sensing applications
- SubTHz and THz circuits and systems SubTHz and THz systems (300GHz to 1 THz+), incl. sub-THz architectures and implementations for passive and active sensing, 6G and Future-G communication systems.

31 Microwave field-matter interaction, material sensing and high-power applications — Industrial and scientific applications of microwave energy (e.g., chemistry, metallurgy, ceramic sintering, plasma generation, waste treatment, "green" materials, energy converters); MHz-to-THz sensing (from microwave microscopy to large surface/volume imaging) of materials for electronics and energy applications; multiphysics modeling of materials processing and characterization.

32 Other innovative MHz-to-THz systems and applications — Submissions that describe innovative contributions in new and emerging areas of interest to the MTT community not falling under the above categories are encouraged.

Th1E: Material Sensing at Microwave and mm-Wave Frequencies

Chair: Zoya Popović

Chair organization: University of Colorado Boulder

- Co-chair: Pawel Kopyt
- Co-chair organization: Warsaw Univ. of Technology

Location: 146C

Abstract:

Advances in material sensing and characterization techniques from S to W frequency bands are presented. Instruments based on resonators, planar transmission lines, and free-space radar are discussed.

Th2E: Near-Field Wave-Matter Interaction

Chair: Kamel Haddadi Chair organization: Université de Lille Co-chair: Malgorzata Celuch Co-chair organization: QWED Location: 146C

Abstract:

This session covers wave-material interactions ranging from microwave microscopy to high-power-density plasma generation. Near-field microscopy for high-resolution material characterization at room and cryogenic temperatures is shown using frequencies from 2 to 12GHz. Additionally, resonator-based field enhancement is shown for low-power plasma generation in the 2.45GHz ISM band.





Introduction to IMS SC-31: Topic (2)



IEEE MTT-S 2023 IMS Workshop WMG: Recent Advances in Industrial Microwave Power Applications

Organizers:

Zoya Popović, University of Colorado Boulder, CO, USA Vadim V. Yakovlev, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, MA, USA Małgorzata Celuch, QWED, Warsaw, Poland



International Microwave Symposium 11-16 June 2023, San Diego, CA





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2009 International Microwave Symposium

7–12 June, Boston Convention & Exhibition Center IEEE Microwave Theory and Techniques Society



Recent Advances in Microwave Power Applications and Techniques IMS 2009 Workshop: 12 June 2009, Friday, full day

Come and stay

RAMPAnT

for new concepts and markets in microwave theory and techniques!



2009 IEEE MTT-S International Microwave Symposium

Highest Quality Workshop

This award is hereby presented to:

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For organizing the workshop "Recent Advances in Microwave Power Applications and Techniques (RAMPAnT)"

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7. J.M. Osepchuk (Raytheon) -

Safety and RFI Considerations in Microwave Power Applications.

8. Panel Discussion (All Speakers)

IMPI/MTT-S WORKSHOP ON INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS OF MICROWAVES IEEE MTT-S International Microwave Symposium San Francisco, CA, May 29, 1981

List of Speakers

1. H.F. Huang (DuPont) -

Industrial and Consumer Applications of Microwaves and the Role of the International Microwave Power Institute (IMPI)

2. F. Hammersand and E. Adams (RCA) -

Care and Operation of High Power Magnetrons for Industrial Applications

3. I. Namba and H. Sitao (Toshiba) -

The Design and Application of Magnetrons in Microwave Ovens

4. K.L. Carr (M/A - COM) -

Ferrite Circulators for Microwave Ovens

(LUNCHEON BREAK)

5. M.T. Long (American Microwave Technology) -

Low-Cost Microwave Power Transistors for Microwave Ovens

6. J.P. Quine (General Electric) -

Microwave Impedance and Heating Characteristics of Microwave Ovens

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Introduction to IMS SC-31: Topic (1)



IMS papers related to materials testing / sensing with microwaves are:

- not so many

- dispersed among different sessions

SC-31 aims to:

+ attract more papers

+ define coherent facilitating vivid discussions



Material World





STRATEGIC MATERIALS AGENDA

EE MICROWAVE THEORY &



https://emmc.eu/

EMMC Roadmap

Materials Modelling and Digitalisation of the Materials Sciences





Materials in Microwave / RF Engineering



Materials come into play once you build a circuit.

CAD / CAE software can take nearly anything in.



* figure and statement from https://www.inemi.org/article_content.asp?adminkey=5cc4f4100ebf2ba1f3e6fd6294749139&article=161





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participates to projects evaluating:

dielectric losses

conductor losses

 \rightarrow fast & precise measurement methods,

- \rightarrow physical insight with computer modelling,
- \rightarrow dissemination (in IEEE and EU communities).

5G/mmWave

<u>5G/mmWave Materials Assessment and Characterization</u>

5G/mmWave

- <u>mmWave Permittivity Reference Material Development</u>
- Also see Roadmap: 5G/6G mmWave Materials and Electrical Test Technology Roadmap (5G/6G MAESTRO)

Board Assembly

- Bi-Sn Based Low-Temperature Soldering Process and Reliability
- <u>Characterization of Third Generation High-Reliability Pb-Free Alloys</u>
- Conformal Coating Evaluation for Environmental Protection against Corrosive Environments, Phase 3
- Connector Reliability Test Recommendations, Phase 3
- Electromigration of SiBn Solder for Second-Level Interconnect
- <u>QFN Package Board Level Reliability</u>

Optoelectronics

Best Practices for Expanded Beam Connectors in Data Centers

Packaging

- Impact of Low CTE Mold Compound on Second-Level Board Reliability, Phase 2
- Low Temperature Material Discovery and Characterization for First Level Interconnect
- Moisture Induced Expansion Metrology for Packaging Polymetric Materials Project, Phase 1
- PLP Fine Pitch Substrate Inspection/Metrology, Phase 4
- RDL Adhesion Strength Measurement Project
- <u>Warpage Characterization and Management Program</u>
 - High Density Interconnect Socket Warpage Prediction and Characterization

PCB & Laminates

- <u>Reliability & Loss Properties of Copper Foils for 5G Applications</u>
- PCBA Materials for Harsh Environments, Phase 2
- <u>Hybrid PCBs for Next Generation Applications</u>
- PCB Characterization for CAF and ECM Failure Mitigation
- <u>PCB Connector Footprint Tolerance</u>



QWED Bridging Two MTT-S Fellowships



Wojciech Gwarek (2001) "theory and applications of electromagnetic modeling"



Jerzy Krupka (2012) "high frequency measurements of electromagnetic properties of materials"





QWED origins in Computational Electromagnetics

since 1980s...

IEEE- awarded research of Wojciech Gwarek DML Pioneeer Award,

Fellow,



+ conformal modeling of geometry + time-domain approach

1997 first commercial licences sold by QWED ... by early 2000s, QuickWave-3D by QWED used worldwide for industrial & research applications from RF to optical bands





since 1998 annually at IEEE IMS

Anaheim, CA, 1999







Denver, 2022



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San Francisco, CA, 2006

MITT-S

QuickWave original applications in cosmic research & SATCOM



Septum polariser by SES

design & measurements: Saab Ericsson Space modelling: QWED, 1997 below: differential phase-shift

[deg] 90 70 x 50 30 Freq.[GHz] 11 12 13 14

propagation of two polarisations at centre frequency

E-plane Y-junction by NRAO

after A. R. Kerr, Elements for E-Plane Split-Block Waveguide Circuits, ALMA Memo 381



Connecting Minds. Exchanging Ideas. Applications for Materials Processing with Microwaves



Simple microwave heating benchmarksDes& microwave heating phenomena studies*cor

Design & analysis of real-life microwave oven cavities, incl. complicated cavity shapes and advanced feeding system*



Connecting Minds. Exchanging Ideas. Material Measurements coming to QWED

since 1980s...

awarded research of Jerzy Krupka (IEEE Fellow) on dielectric resonators (best known: Split-Post Dielectric Resonator)





by Donald Tusk Prime Minister of Poland 2007-2014 President of the European Council 2014-2019

... by early 2000s:

QWED commercialises the SPDRs endorsement by Agilent / Keysight publication of standard IEC 61189-2-721:2015



Agilent Both IEEE IMS 2006, San Francisco, CA



MMA-2010, Warsaw PL co-organised by QWED & Warsaw Univ.Tech.

Connecting Minds. Exchanging Ideas. Bridging Computer Modelling with Material Measurements







Popular Resonators Offered by QWED



SPDRs for laminar dielectric materials typical units: 1.1 GHz -15 GHz



T. Karpisz, B. Salski, P. Kopyt, and J. Krupka, doi: 10.1109/TMTT.2019.2905549.

FPOR 20-120 GHz



TE01 δ cavities, typically 1 – 10 GHz for bulk low-loss dielectrics



5 GHz SiPDR for resistive sheets





modified SiPDR for graphene

QWED's Novel SCR with Q-Choke (Th1E-2) Connecting Minds. Exchanging Ideas.





MTT-S

Q-Choke **European patent application:** EP23461651 (Sep.2023) 1.2 mm sapphire easily measured at 20 GHz F: 16.76 F: 20.04 -30 GHz GHz F: 12.42 F: 14.09 **Q**: 17172 Q: 17357/ -40 GHz GHz - Empty Q: 15221 Q: 16684 -50 - 0.4 mm Sapphire |S21| -60 🗾 - 0.8 mm Sapphire -70 - 1.2 mm -80 Sapphire -90 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22

Frequency [GHz]

18 Th1E-1

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First iNEMI Benchmarking Project

AND APPESS INFERIOR

No standards & SRMs for mmWave Permittivity measurements >20 GHz:

Challenges for ISO and quality control

Few vendors for mmWave Permittivity measurement equipment >10 GHz:

- Explain vendor to vendor differences
- Whom to trust?
- On whom to rely?
- Useful 5G materials are typically very low loss:
 - Eliminates many traditional transmission line techniques
- Increasing frequency:
 - Incompatible sample dimension requirements between techniques
 - Higher sensitivity to operator











Sample Material Requirements

- Stable, Low loss
- Low moisture absorption / temperature dependency
- Isotropic
- Good mechanical & handling properties
- 1st Project Stage 2nd Project Stage
- Precision Teflon
 Rexolite
- Industrial Automotive
- Cyclo Olefin Polymer
 Fused Silica
- **Techniques Included**
- Split Post Dielectric Resonator
- Split Cavity Resonator
- Fabry-Perot
- Balanced Circular Disk Resonator
- \rightarrow Frequency Span : 10GHz 100GHz with overlaps
- 10 Sample Kits Created
- Sample sizes 35 mm x 45 mm, 90 mm x 90 mm

10 Laboratory Round Robin





in-plane

BCDR out-of-plane



First Round-Robin Results: Consistency

3 labs, 3 techniques 14 laboratory setups



Resonators:

Intel - SCR at 10 / 60 GHz and SPDR at 10/ 20 GHz Keysight - SCR at 10 / 20 / 28 / 40 / 80 GHz QWED - SPDR at 10/ 15 GHz and FPOR 10-110GHz

VNA, software:

Intel, Keysight – benchtop VNA with Keysight Option N1500A QWED FPOR – benchtop VNA with customised FPOR software QWED SPDR – handheld VNA , extraction based on abs(S21)



Dk spread < 1% (within ± 0.5% from average) (< 2% incl. outliers)

> 40GHz 2x increase in Df compared to 10GHz



First Round-Robin Results: Repeatability



3 labs, 3 techniques, 14 laboratory setups 1 operator per setup

Intel - SCR at 10 / 60 GHz and SPDR at 10/ 20 GHz, Keysight - SCR at 10 / 20 / 28 / 40 / 80 GHz QWED - SPDR at 10/ 15 GHz and FPOR over 10-110GHz.





repeatability of SCR ±1%

repeatability of SPDR, FPOR better than ±0.5%

each symbol denotes an average of 16 measurements; error bar = repeatability = triple of standard deviation



Round-Robin – 2nd Material



3 labs, 3 techniques, 14 laboratory setups

Intel - SCR at 10 / 60 GHz and SPDR at 10/ 20 GHz, Keysight - SCR at 10 / 20 / 28 / 40 / 80 GHz QWED - SPDR at 10/ 15 GHz and FPOR over 10-110GHz.



Dk spread < 1% (within $\pm 0.5\%$ from average)



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First Round-Robin: All Measurements for COP186 µm







Divergence of BCDR Measurements

Th1E-1





- NIST SCR in-plane
- Lab A FPOR in-plane
- Lab B BCDR out-of-plane
- Lab C FPOR in-plane
- Lab D BCDR out-of-plane

Considered causes of BCDR divergence:

- material anisotropy,
- error inherent in out-of-plane measurement,
- error in particular BCDR instrument.



Testing of Copper Foils for 5G



Correlating effective conductivity to different surface roughness parameters

foils of $35 \mu m$ and 70 μm thickness, both sides of each foil



correlation with Sdr (averages) is stronger than with Sz (roughness "amplitudes") Sz, Sdr both obtained with noncontact laser interferometry correlation is weaker with Rz, Ra obtained with stylus profilometer





Conclusions



1. Materials are enablers for many industrial technologies

- novel materials are needed as well as accurate materials' data.
- 2. At higher MW frequencies, due to the lack of standardized testing techniques and SRMs, - the gap must be filled by coordinated benchmarking activities.
- 3. QWED contributes to such activities thanks to its combination of computer modeling and material measurement competencies.
- 4. Will MTT-S coordinate future benchmarking and standardization activities for FutureG materials?...





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