



LTCC Chip Antenna

Part No: ILA.68

Description

LTCC UWB Antenna Covering 6-8.5GHz

Features:

UWB coverage: 6-8.5 GHz Dimensions: $3.2 \times 1.6 \times 1.1$ m

High efficiency up to 67.8%, peak gain 3.98 dB

RoHS & Reach Complian



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1. Introduction



The Taoglas ILA.68 is a compact, high-performance LTCC (Low Temperature Co-fired Ceramic) antenna specifically designed for Ultra-Wideband (UWB) applications operating across the 6GHz to 8.5GHz frequency range. With a miniature footprint of just $3.2 \times 1.6 \times 1.1$ mm, this antenna offers an ideal solution for space-constrained wireless devices that demand high efficiency, stable gain, and reliable omnidirectional radiation patterns.

Leveraging advanced LTCC technology, the ILA.68 provides robust performance and thermal stability in harsh environmental conditions, making it well-suited for industrial, consumer electronics, and automotive applications. It features peak gain up to 3.98 dBi and efficiency as high as 67.8%, supporting dependable UWB connectivity for high-data-rate wireless communication, precise location tracking, and radar-based sensing.

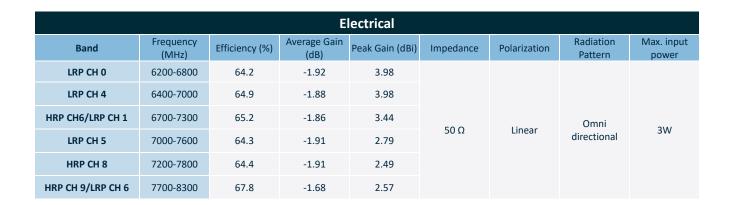
Typical Applications Include:

- Indoor Accuracy Positioning Systems
- Consumer Electronics
- Automotive Applications (key less etc)
- Internet of Things (IoT) Devices
- Security and Access Control
- Augmented and Virtual Reality (AR/VR)

For further optimization to customer-specific device environments and for support to integrate and test this antennas performance in your device, contact your regional Taoglas Customer Services Team.



2. Specification

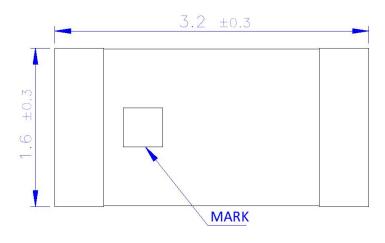


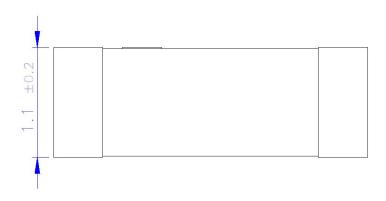
	Mechanical
Dimensions	3.2mm x 1.6mm x 1.1mm
Material	Ceramic

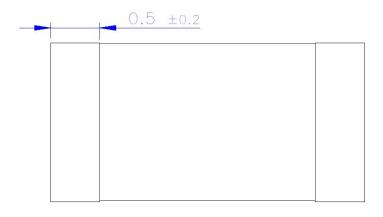
Environmental		
Operation Temperature	-40°C to 85°C	
Storage Temperature	-10°C to 40°C	
Relative Humidity	Non-condensing 40°C 75% RH	
Moisture Sensitivity Level	1	



3. Mechanical Drawing









4. Antenna Integration Guide

The following is an example on how to integrate the ILA.68 into a design. This antenna has 2 pins, where one pin is used for the RF Feed. Taoglas recommends using a minimum of 35x31mm ground plane (PCB) to ensure optimal performance.



Please find the Integration files in Altium, 2D formats and the 3D model for the ILA.68 here: (Link Needed)



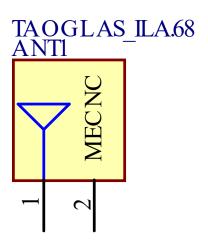
Schematic Symbol and Pin Definition



Above is a 3D model of the ILA.68 on a PCB reference design.

The circuit symbol for the ILA.68 is shown below. The antenna has 2 pins as indicated below.

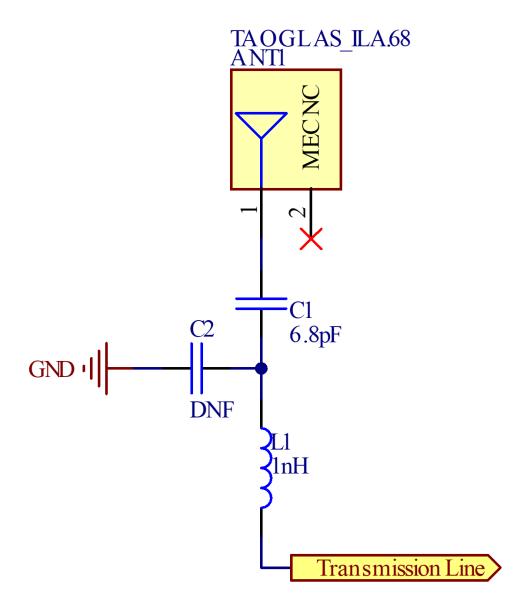
Pin	Description
1	RF Feed
2	Mechanical, No Connection





4.2 Schematic Layout

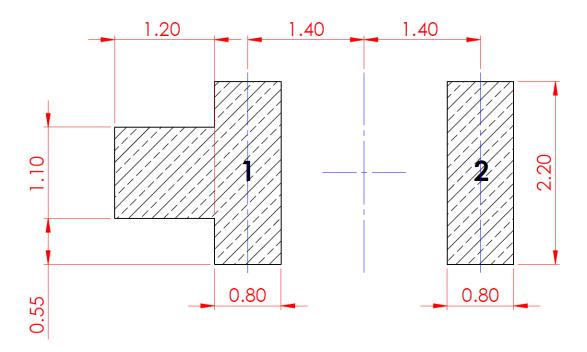
Matching components with the ILA.68 are required for the antenna to have optimal performance in the spaces specified in the schematic below. Additional matching components may be necessary for your device, Taoglas recommends incorporating extra component footprints, forming a "T" network, for the ILA.68.



Designator	Туре	Value	Manufacturer	Manufacturer Part Number
C1	Capacitor	6.8pF	Murata	GRM1555C1H6R8CA01D
C2	Capacitor	Not Fitted	-	-
L1	Inductor	1nH	Murata	LQG15HN1N0B02D



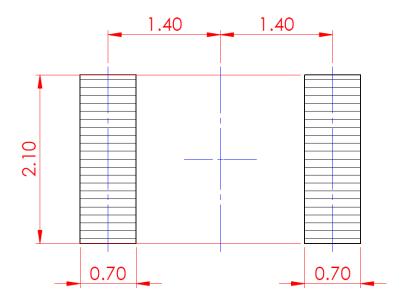
4.3 Footprint



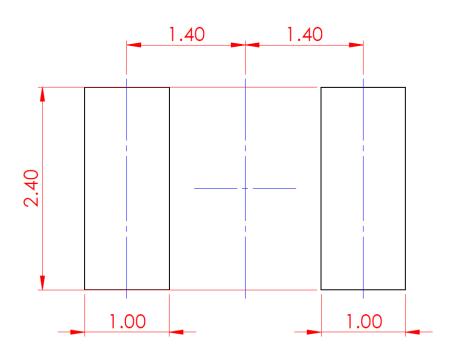
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4.4 Top Solder Paste



4.5 Top Solder Mask

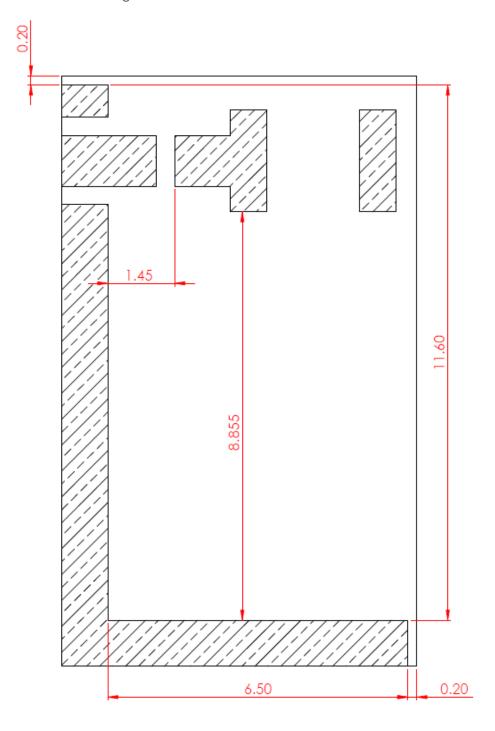




4.6 Copper Clearance for ILA.257

The footprint and clearance on the PCB must comply with the antenna's specification. The PCB layout shown in the diagrams below demonstrates the ILA.68 clearance area. The copper keep out area applies to all layers that are below the ILA.68.

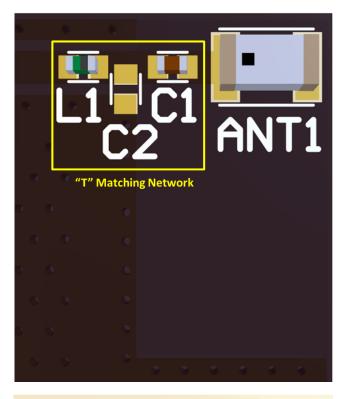
The copper clearance area should extend to 11.6mm in length and 6.5mm in width around antenna in the area indicated below. The PCB edge clearance below is 0.2mm.

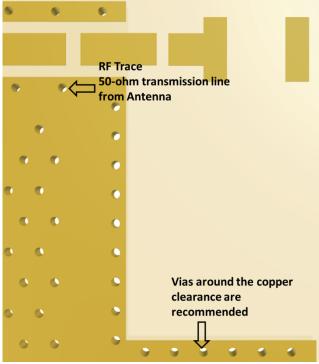




4.7 Antenna Integration

The ILA.257 should be placed in the corner of the PCB to take advantage of the ground plane. The RF trace must maintain a 50 Ohm transmission line. A "Pi" Matching Network is recommended for the RF transmission line, the values and components for the matching circuit will depend on the tuning needed. Ground vias should be placed around the transmission line and the copper clearance area.





ILA.68 antenna mounted on a PCB reference design, showing the transmission line and integration notes.

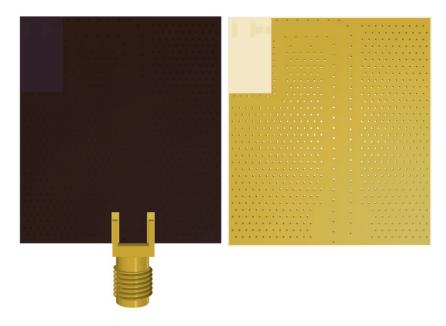


4.8 Final Integration

The top side image shown below highlights the antenna transmission line. Taoglas recommends using a minimum of 35x31mm ground plane (PCB) to ensure optimal performance.



Top Side (ILA.68 placement on 35x31mm PCB reference design)



Bottom Side



Packaging



- ☑ 3000 PCS / Reel
- ☑ 2 PCS / 3g Desiccant
- ✓ SPQ Label



- ☑ 3000 PCS / Vacuum bag
- ✓ MSL Label
- ✓ SPQ Label
- ☑ Weight (Kg): 0.7 ±3%

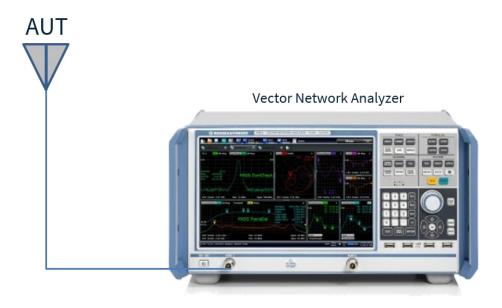


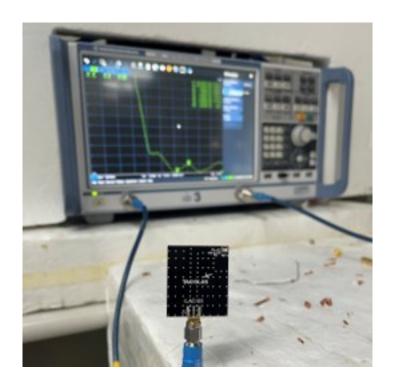
- ☑ 60000 PCS / Carton
- ☑ Carton Label
- ☑ Weight (Kg): 14.5 ±3%



6. Antenna Characteristics

6.1 Test Setup

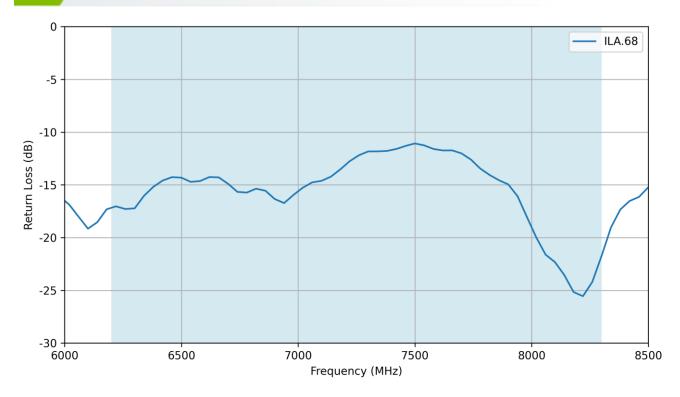




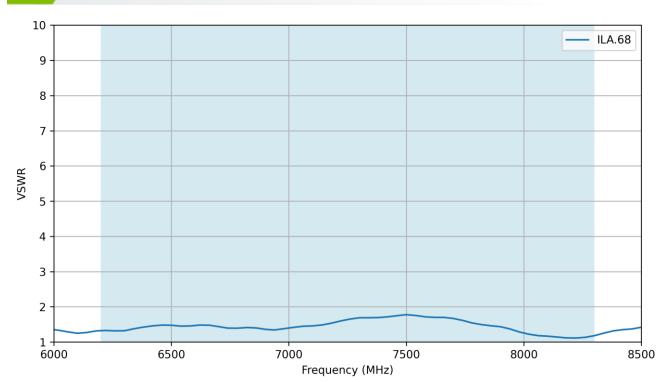
VNA Test Set-up



6.2 Return Loss

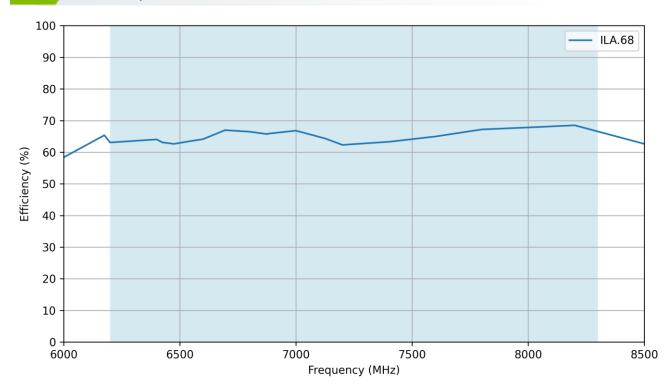


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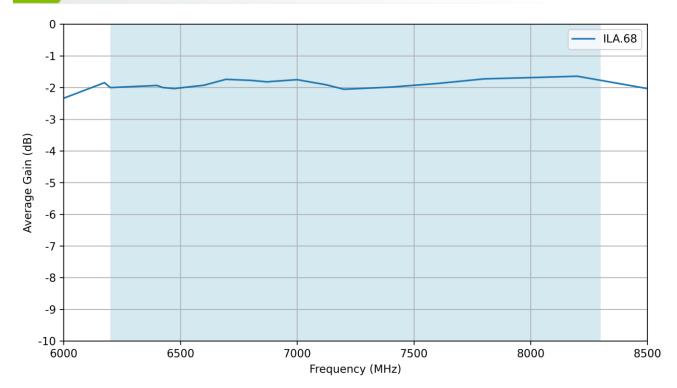




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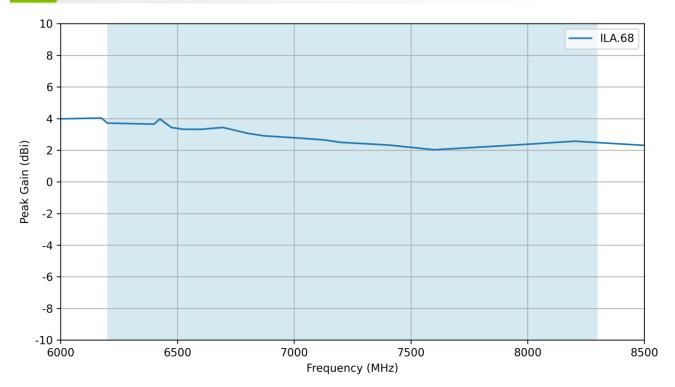


6.5 Average Gain





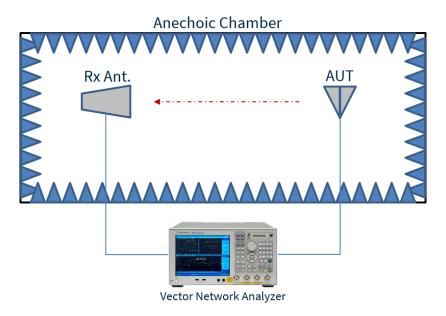


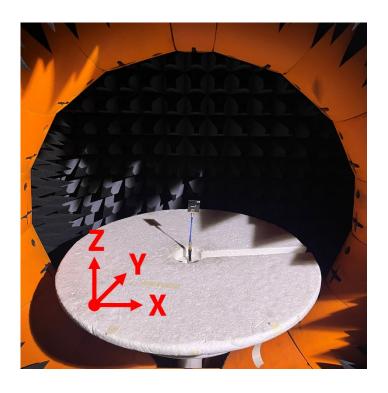




7. Radiation Patterns

7.1 Test Setup

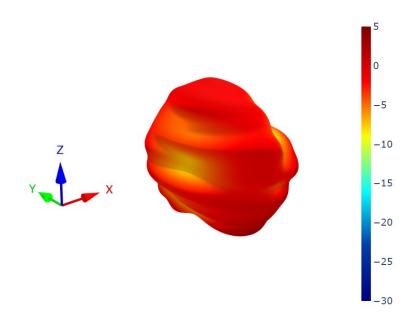


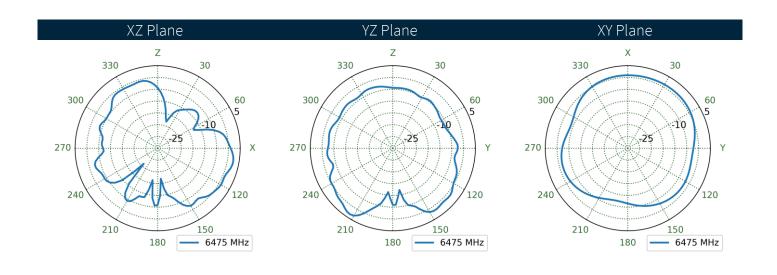


Chamber Test Set-up



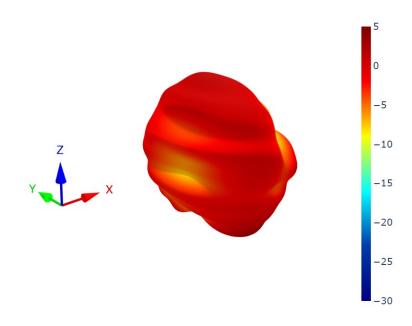
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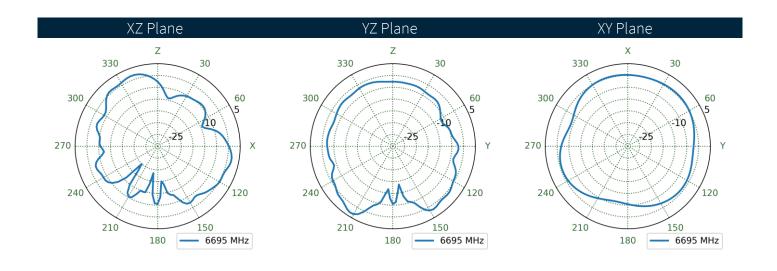






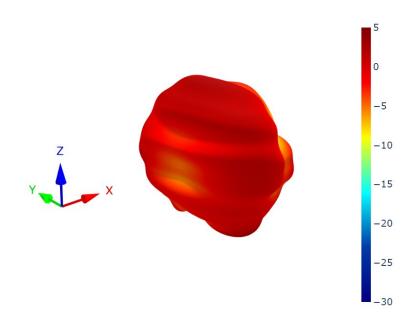
7.3 Patterns at 6700 MHz

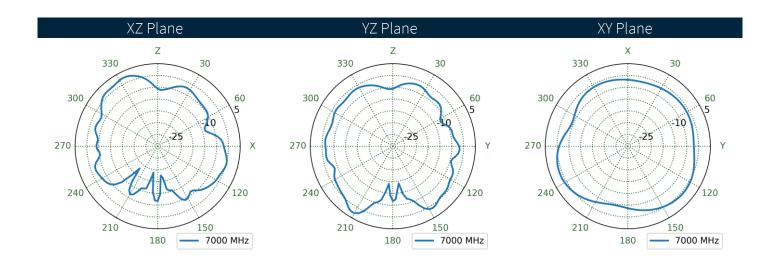






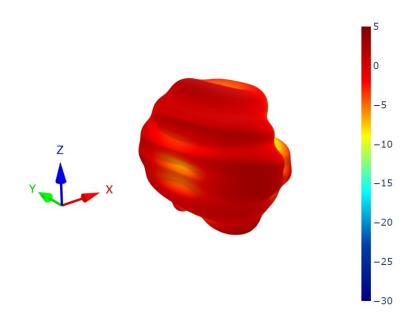
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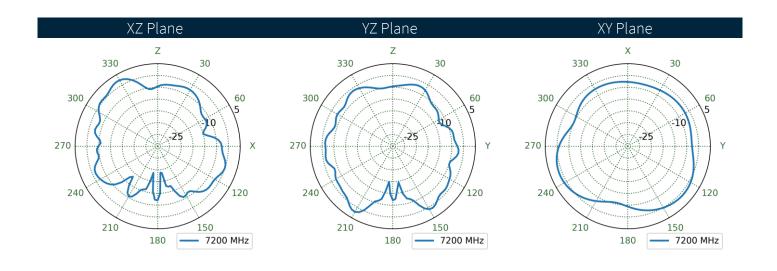






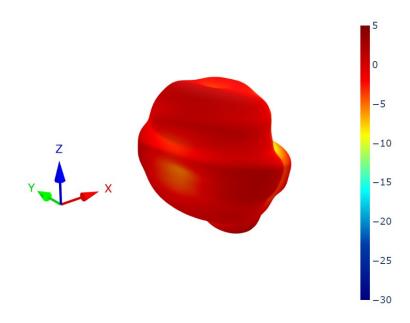
Patterns at 7300 MHz

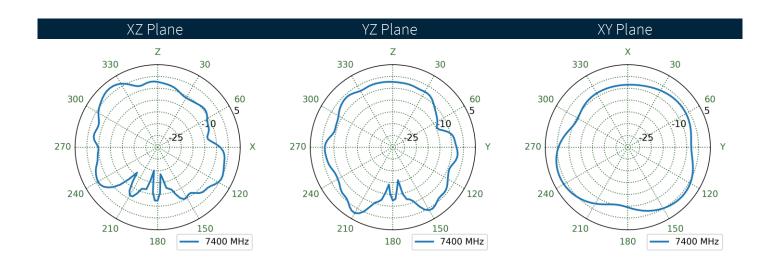






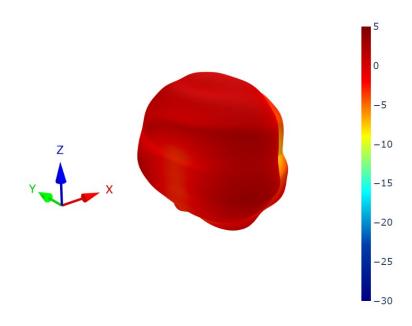
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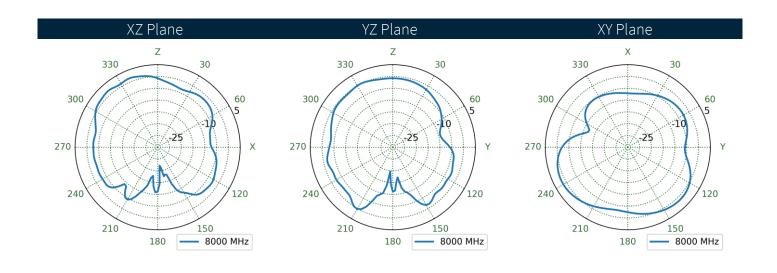






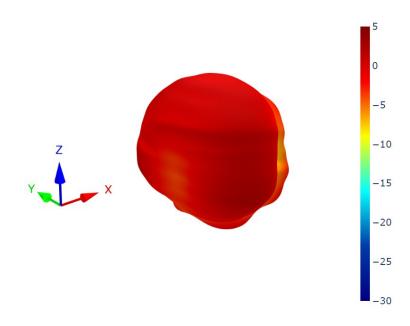
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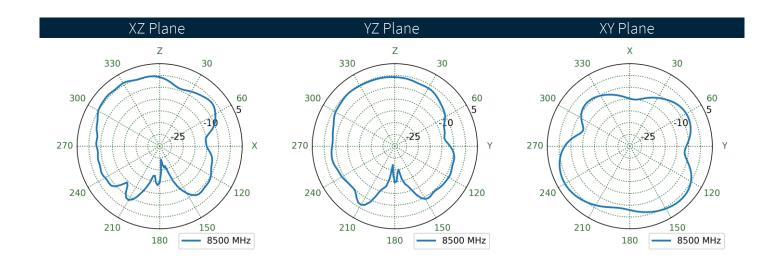






7.8 Patterns at 8500 MHz







Changelog for the datasheet

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