

# Chipless RFID based on Micro-Doppler Effect

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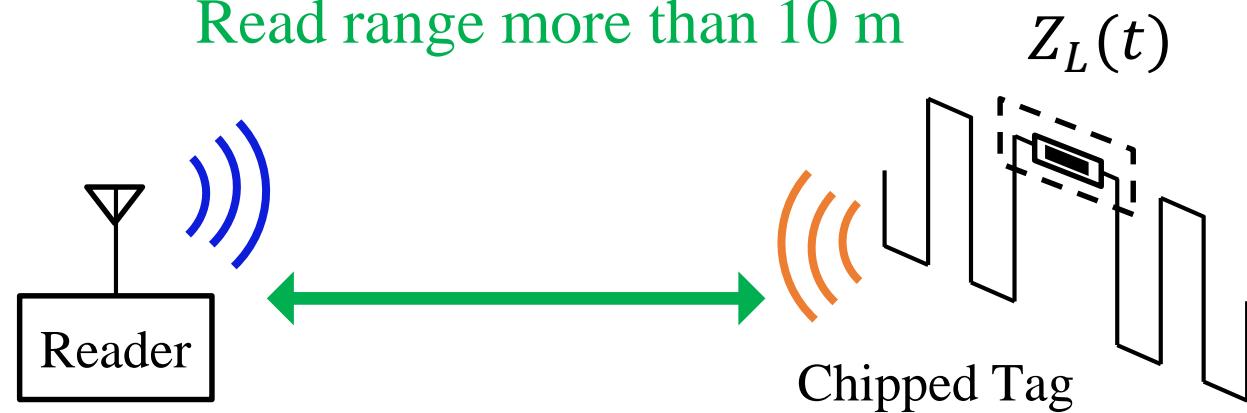
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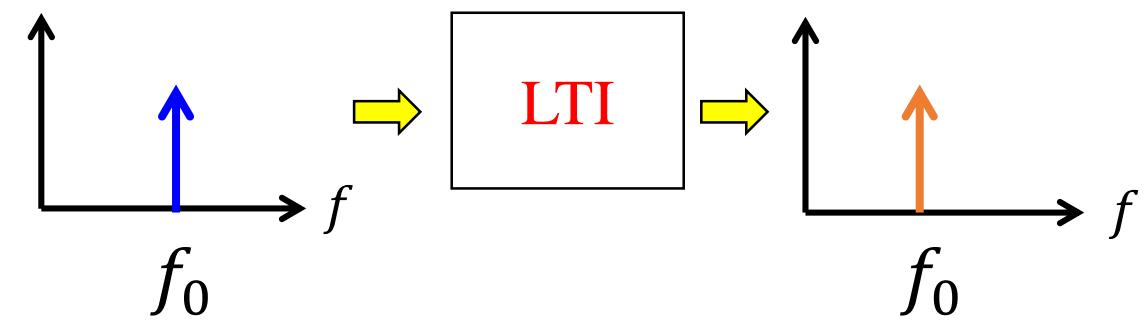
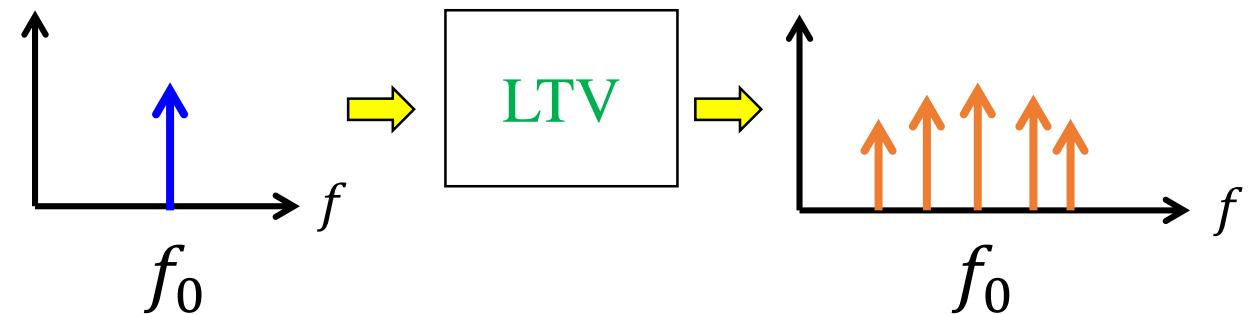
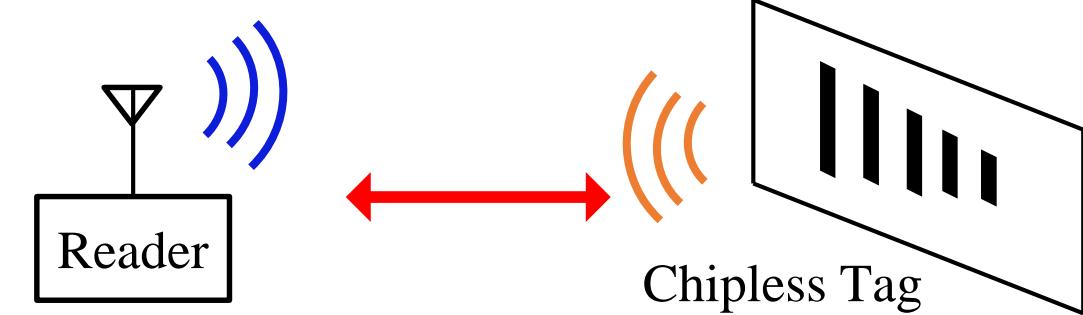
# Motivation

## Read rang: UHF chipped RFID vs. Chipless RFID

Read range more than 10 m

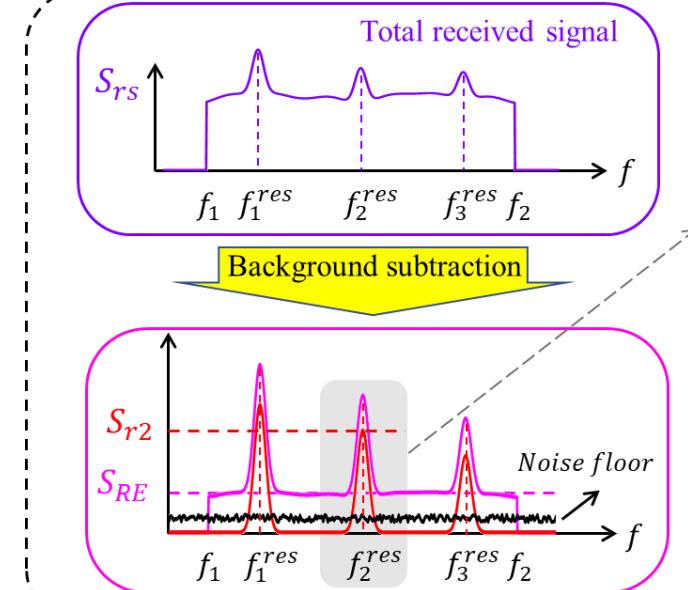
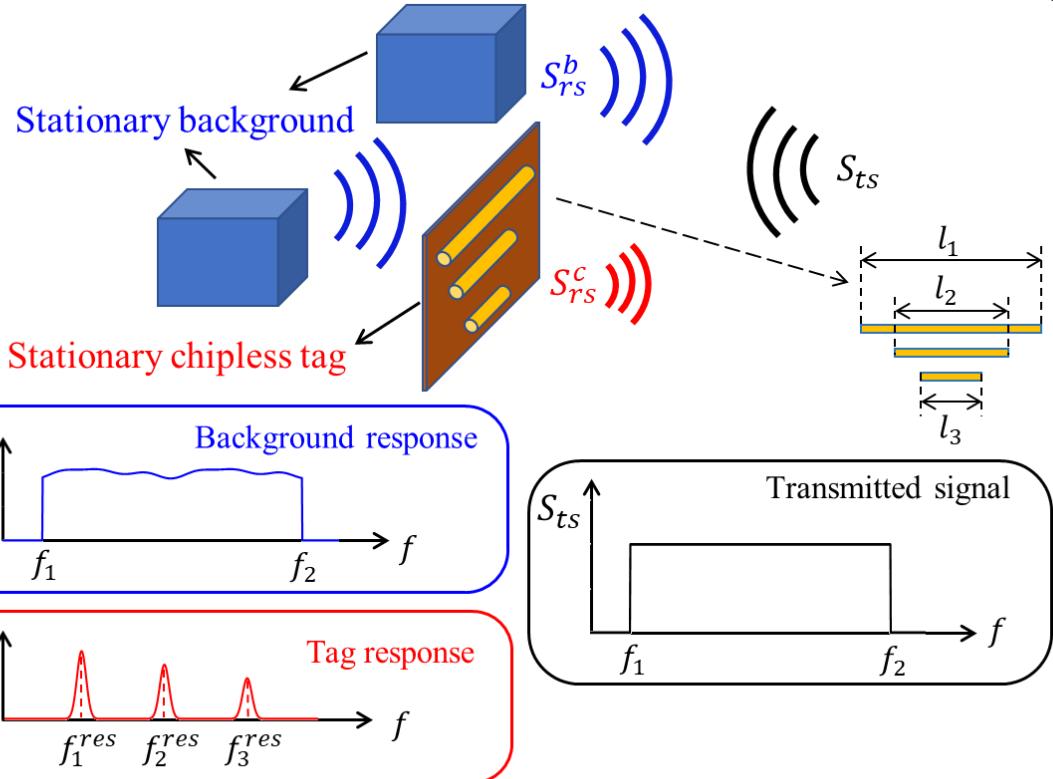


Read range less than 1 m



# Motivation

## Chipless limited read range : LTI property and residual environment



Linear Time-Invariant  
 $S_{ts} \uparrow \Rightarrow \frac{S_{r2}}{S_{RE}} \uparrow$   
Reading range is limited by the residual environment

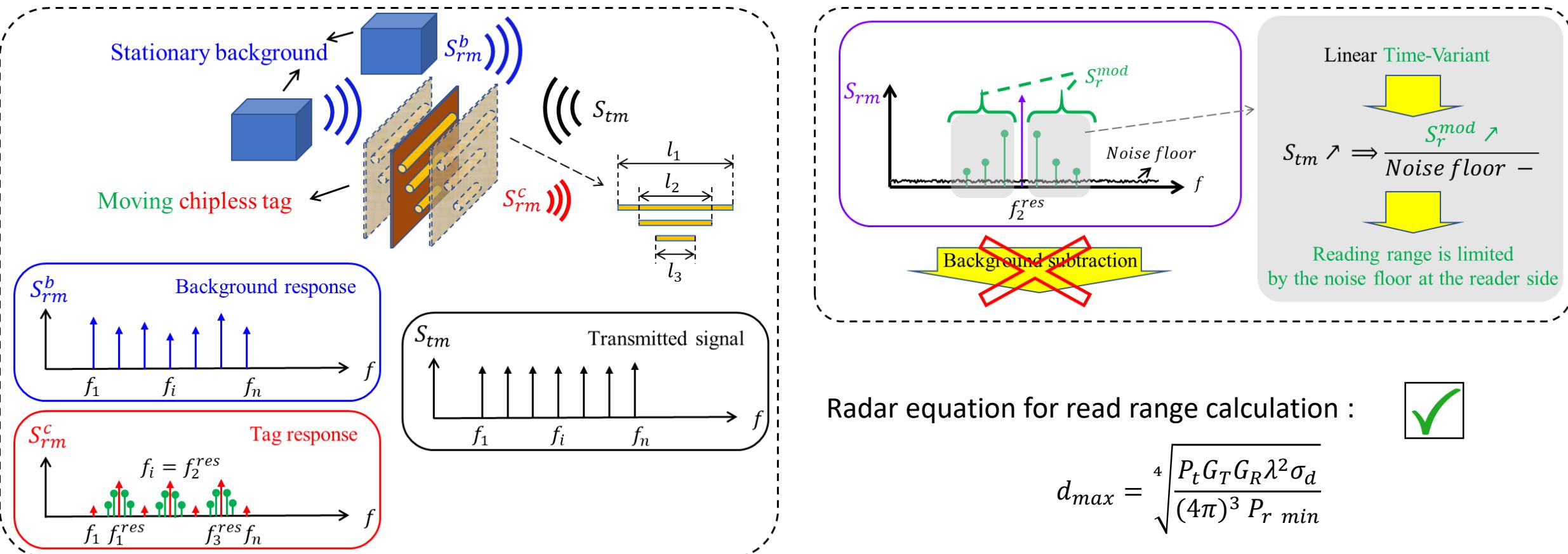
Radar equation for read range calculation :

$$d_{max} = \sqrt[4]{\frac{P_t G_T G_R \lambda^2 \sigma}{(4\pi)^3 P_r min}}$$



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## Movement; a solution to break the LTI property



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# Micro-Doppler Effect

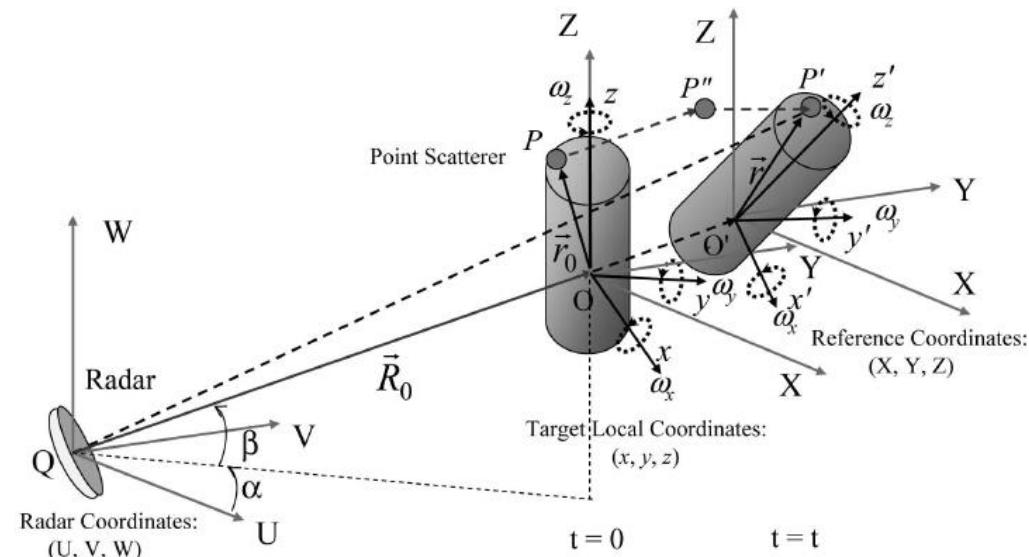
EM scattering from objects which have **micromotions** in addition to their bulk motion.

## Micro-Doppler model

For regular **periodic motions** like vibration and rotation, **analytical expressions** can be derived.

## Micro-Doppler detection

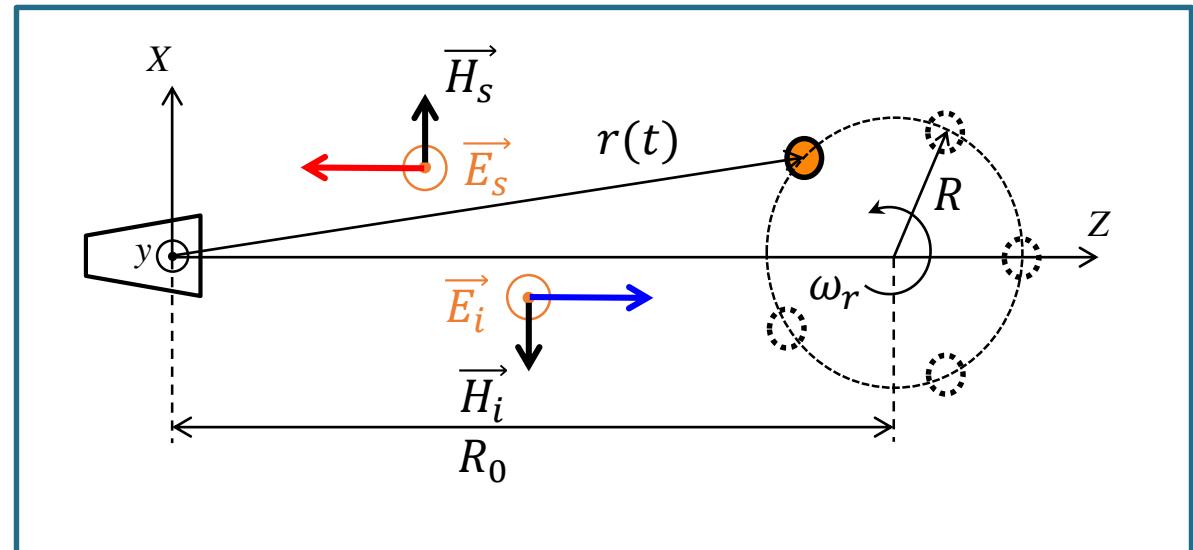
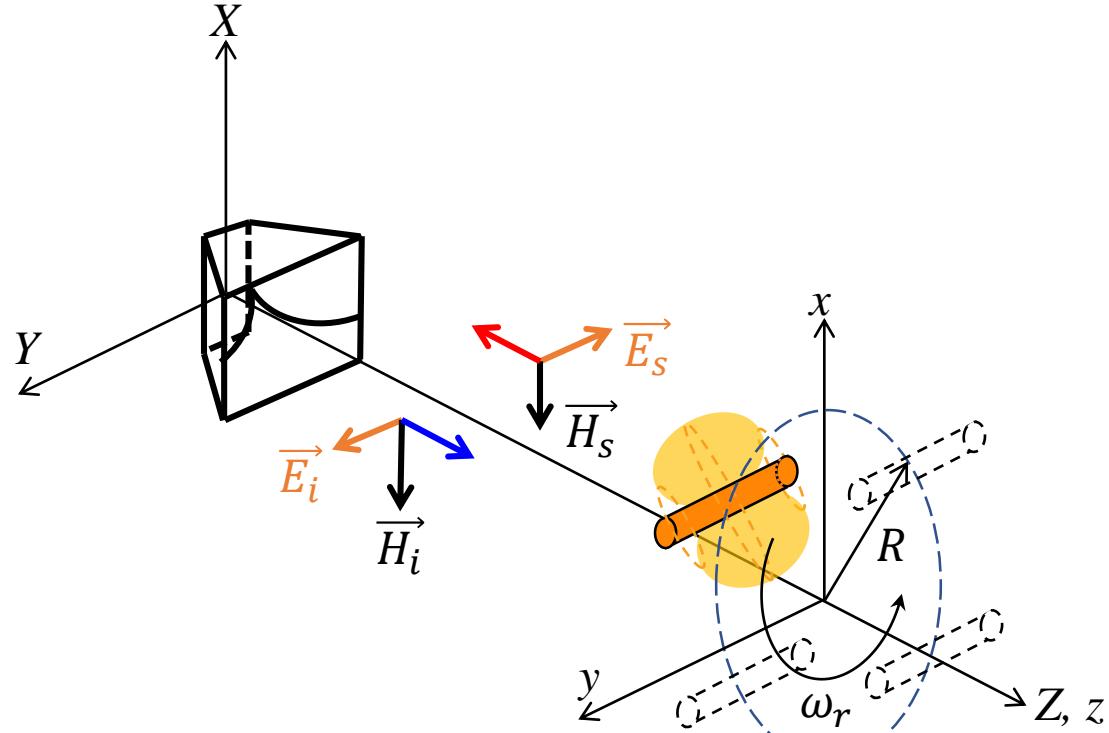
**Coherent reception** is essential to preserve even small phase variation.



V. Chen et al , *Micro-Doppler Effect in Radar: Phenomenon, Model, and Simulation Study*, 2005

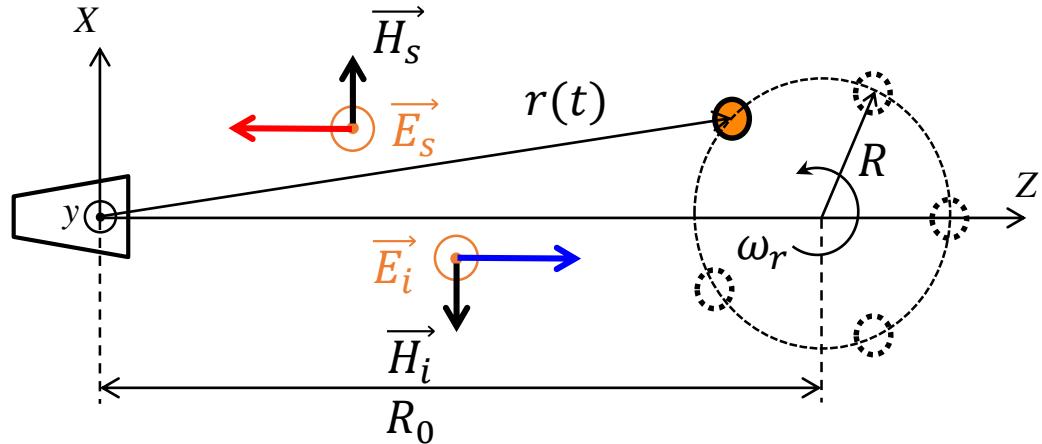
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$$\vec{E}_i(\vec{r}) = E_0 e^{-jkz} \hat{y} \quad k = \frac{2\pi f_0}{c_0}$$

$$R_0 \gg R$$

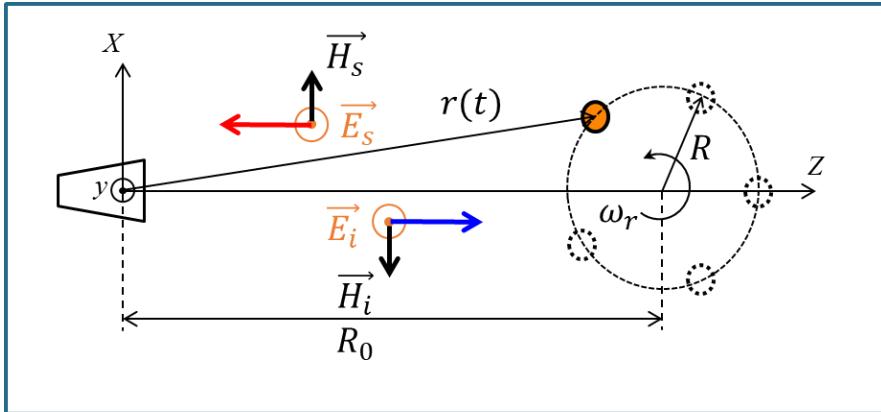
$$r(t) \approx R_0 + R \sin(\omega_r t)$$

$$|\rho(f_0)|^2 = \sigma(f_0)$$

$$\vec{E}_s(\vec{r}, t) = E_0 \rho(f_0) \frac{e^{j k z}}{\sqrt{4\pi} z} e^{-j 2k(R_0 + R \sin(\omega_r t))} \hat{y}$$

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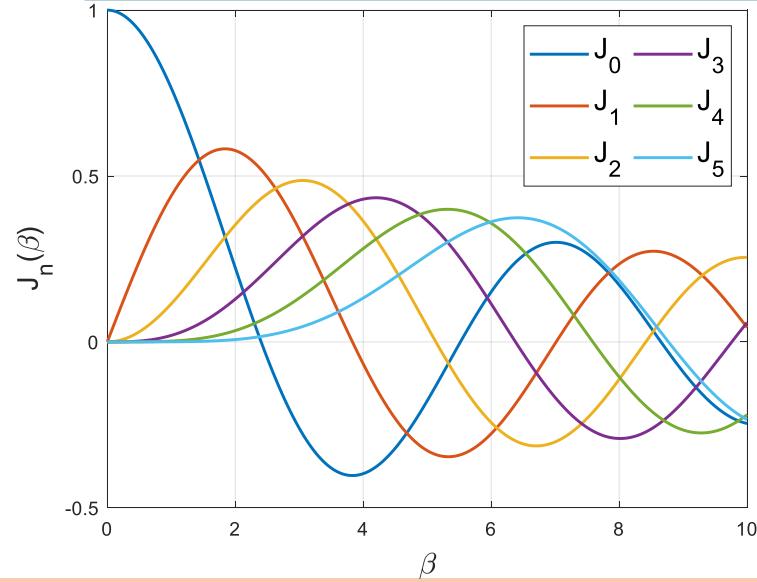
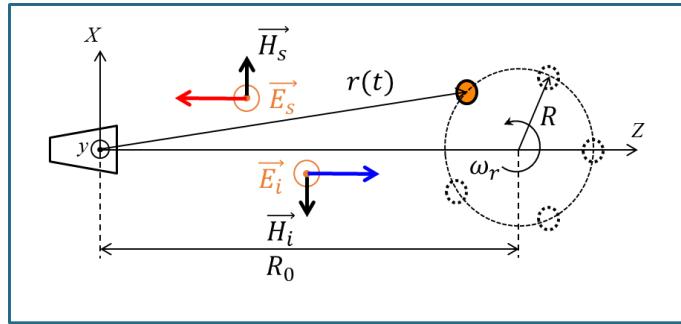
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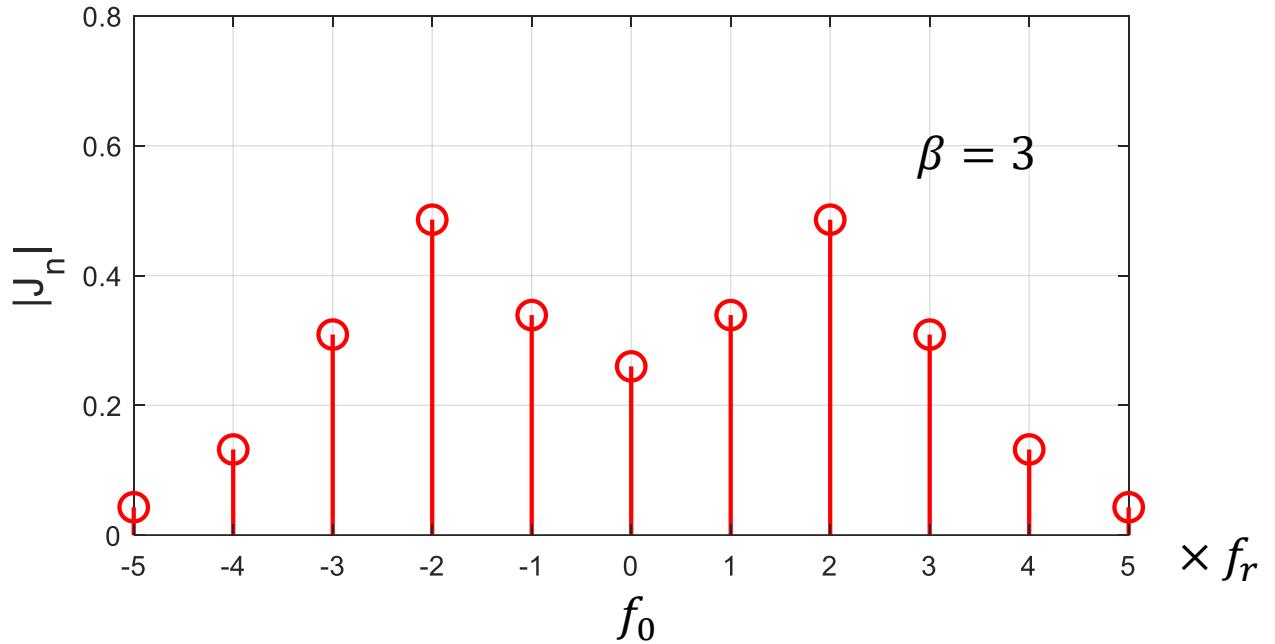
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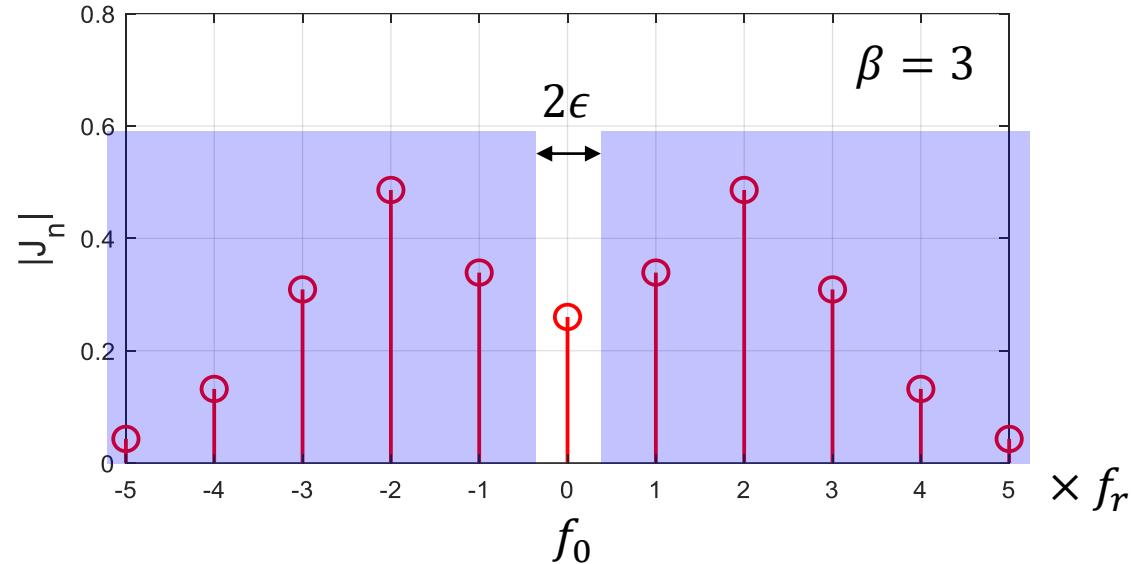


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## Differential RCS

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Classical RCS (non-modulated scatterer)

$$\sigma(f_0) = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} 4\pi r^2 \frac{|E_s|^2}{|E_i|^2}$$

Differential RCS (modulated scatterer)

$$\sigma_d(f_0) = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} 4\pi r^2 \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{-\epsilon} |E_s|^2 df + \int_{+\epsilon}^{+\infty} |E_s|^2 df}{|E_i|^2}$$

# Model and analysis (rotational motion)

## Identification based on differential RCS

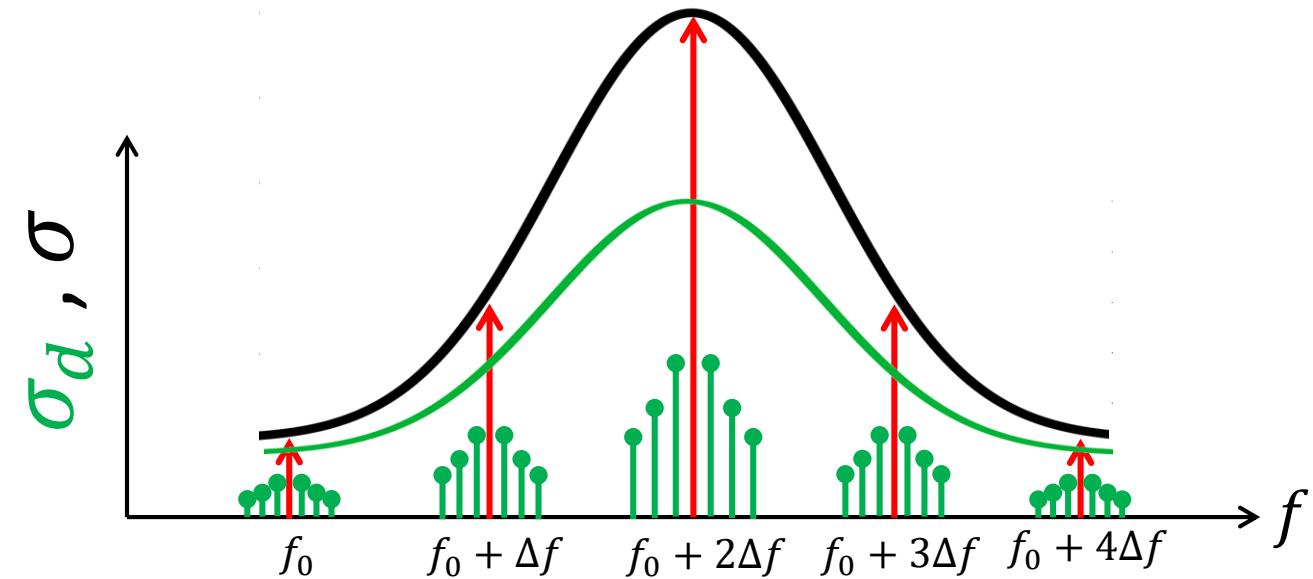
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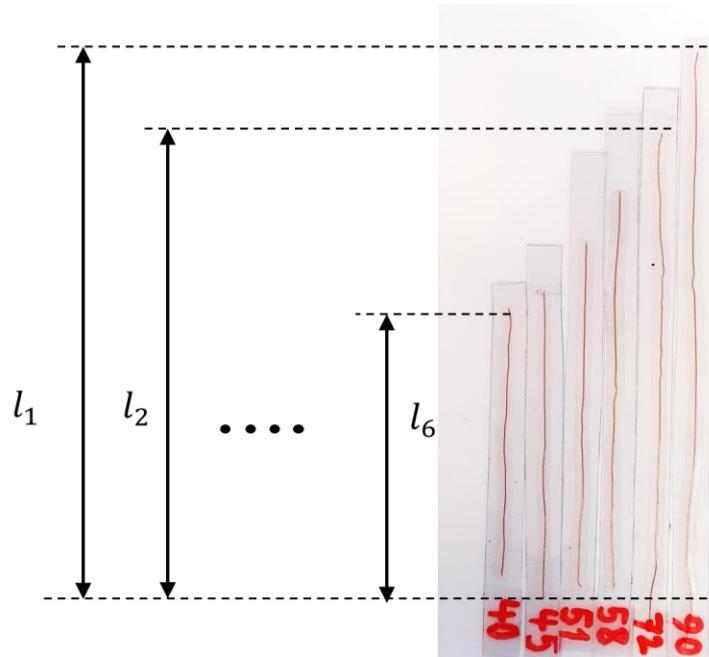
$$\sigma_d(f_0) = \sigma(f_0)(1 - [J_0(\beta)]^2)$$

$$J_0(\beta) = 0 \rightarrow \beta_{opt}$$

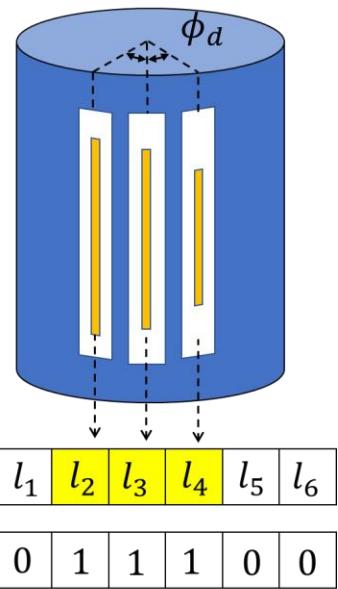


# Experimental results (rotational motion)

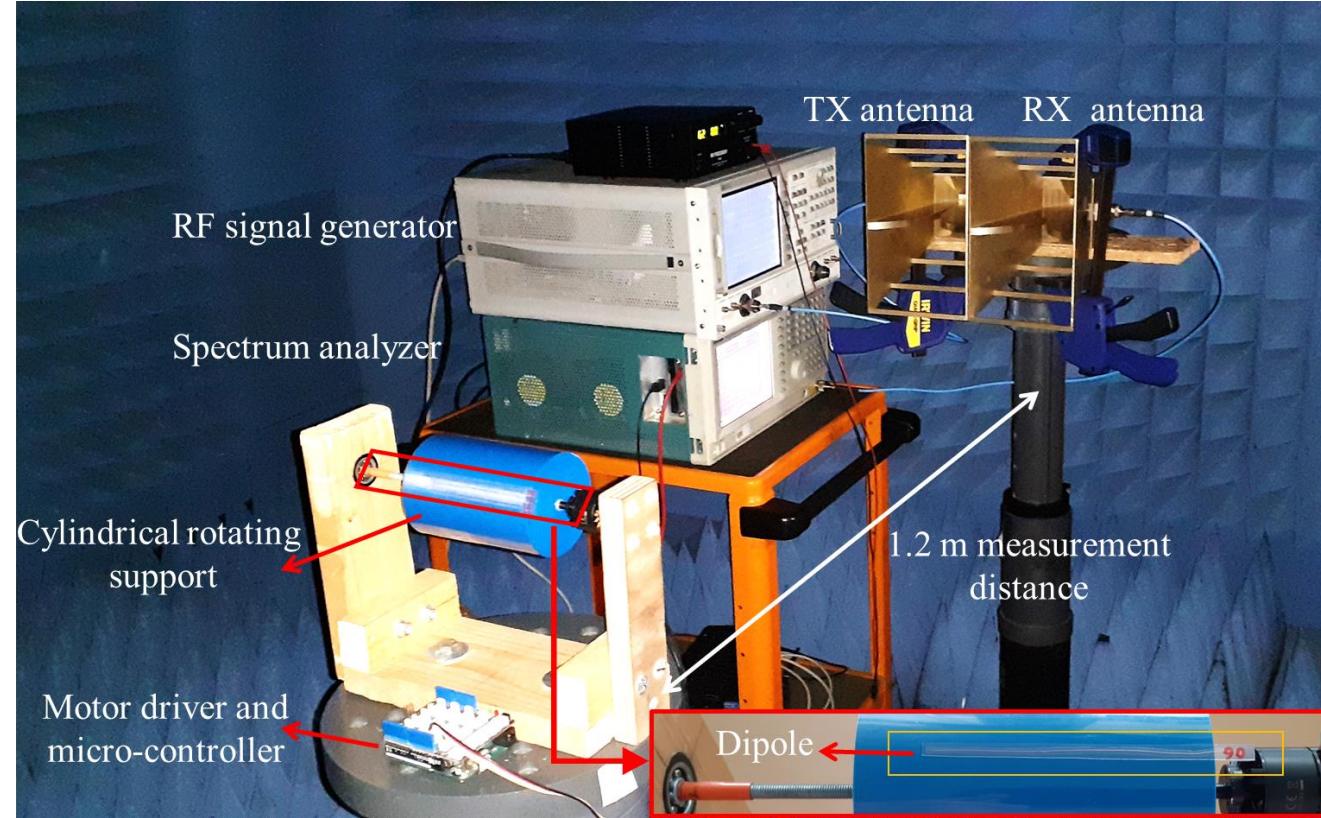
## Measurement in anechoic chamber (Identification)



Six dipoles made of  
100  $\mu\text{m}$  copper wire

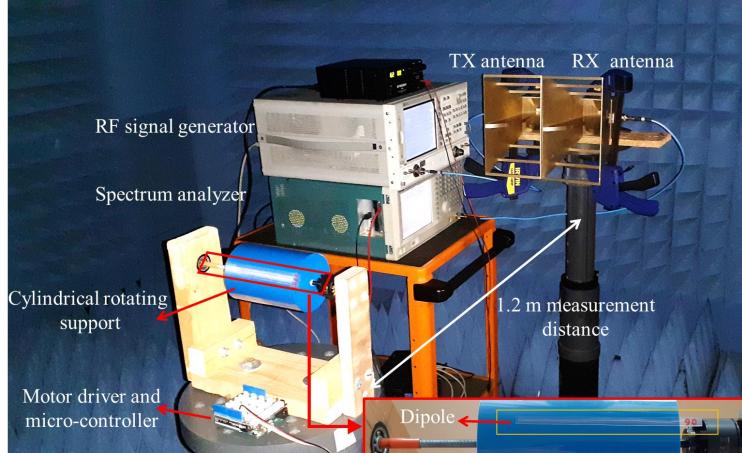


Cylindrical rotating  
support with  $R = 35\text{mm}$



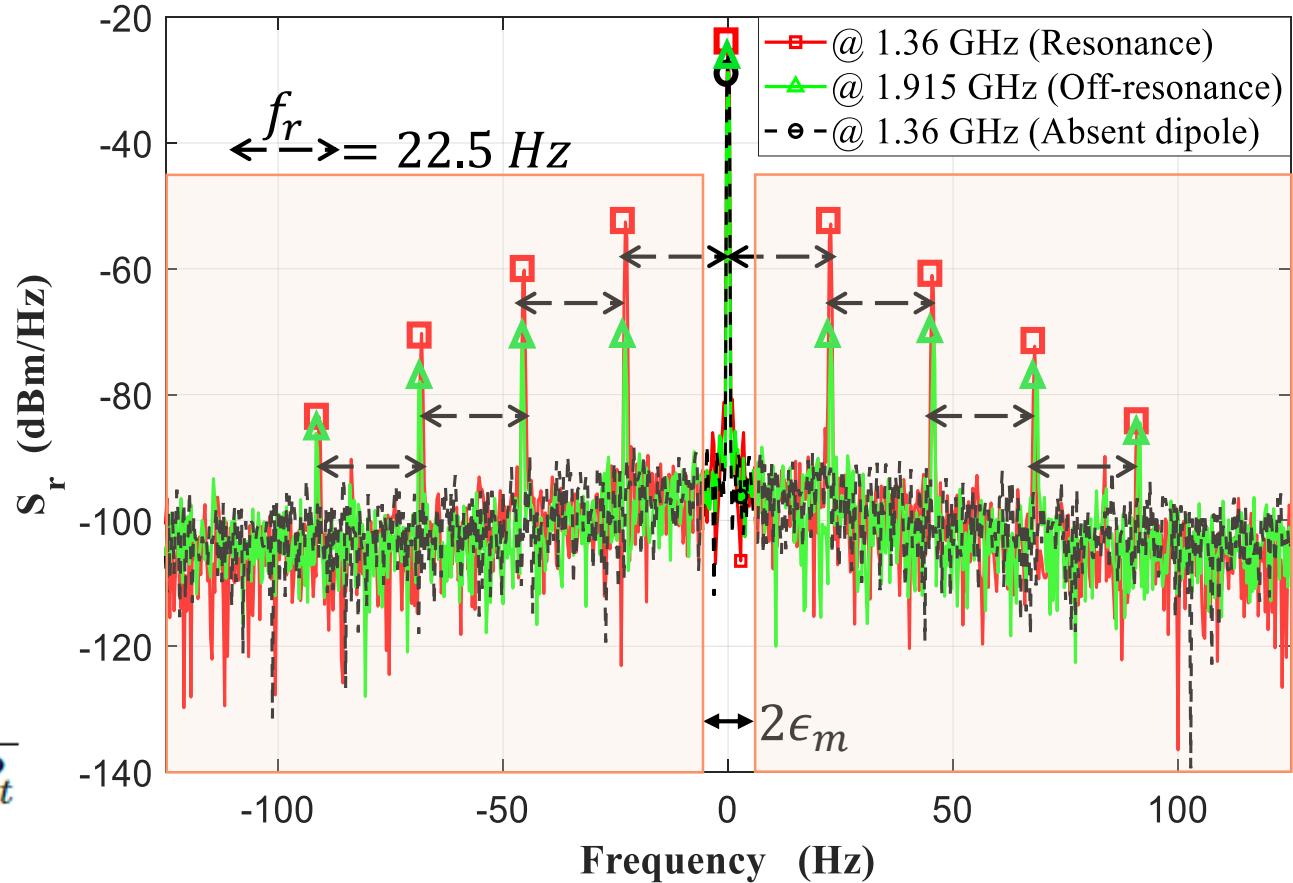
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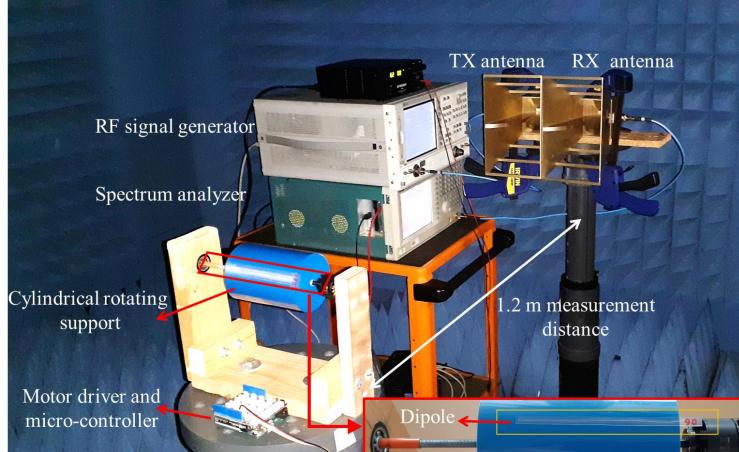
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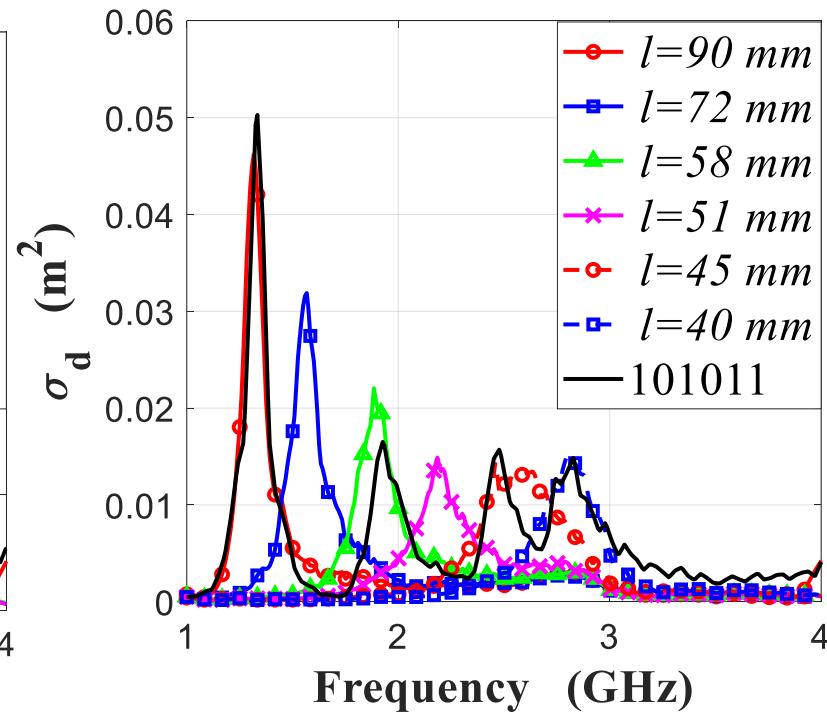
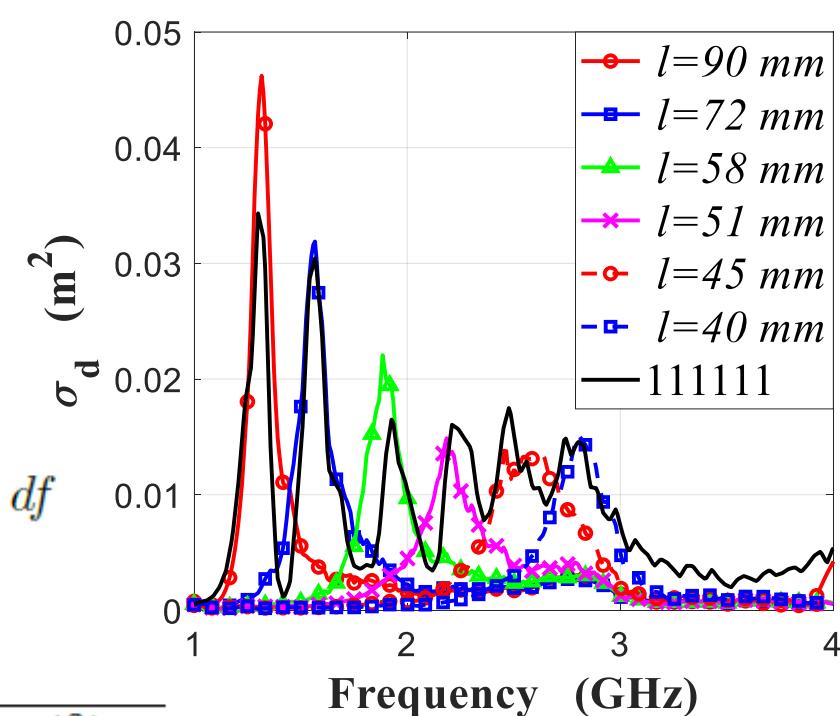
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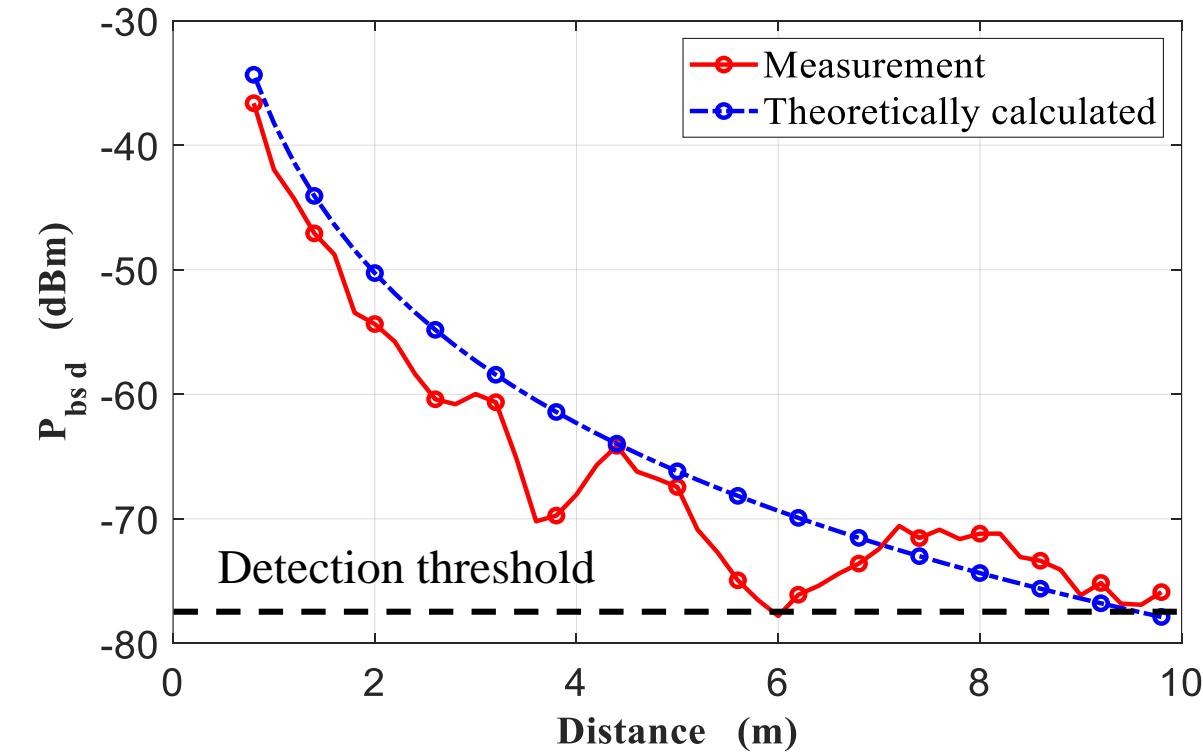
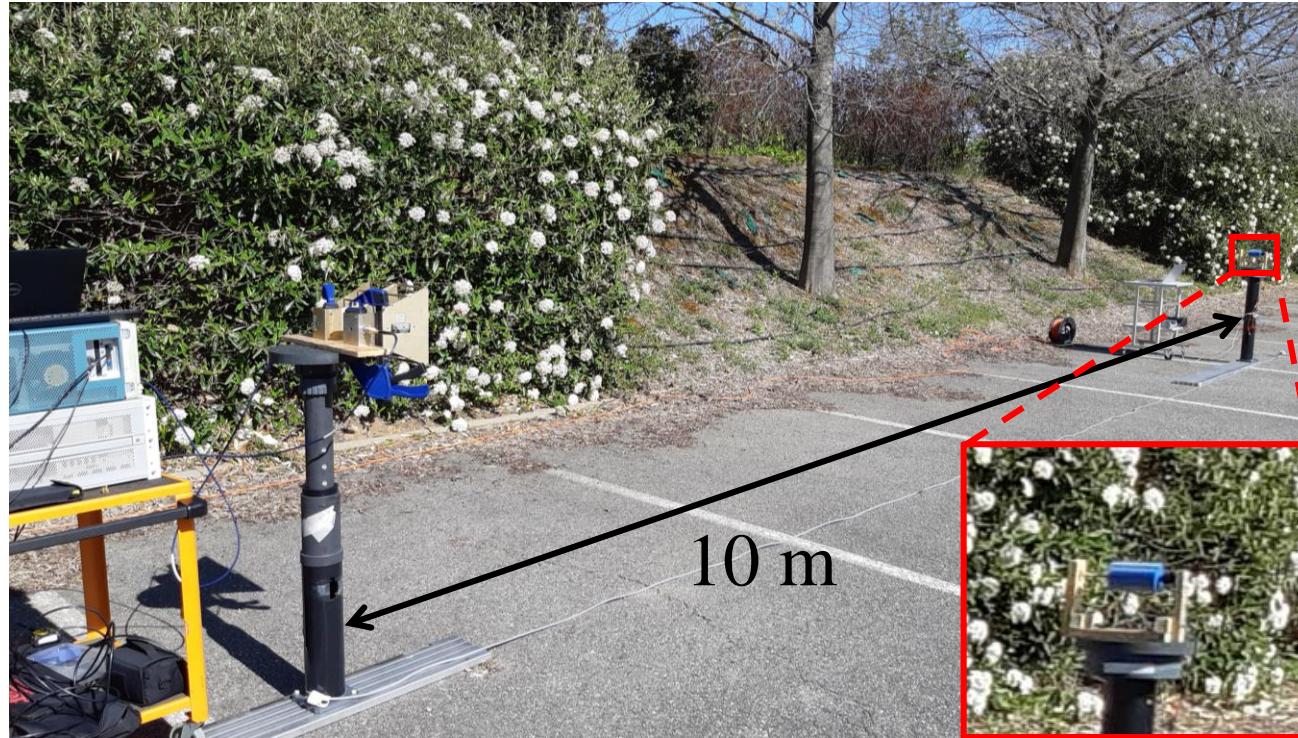
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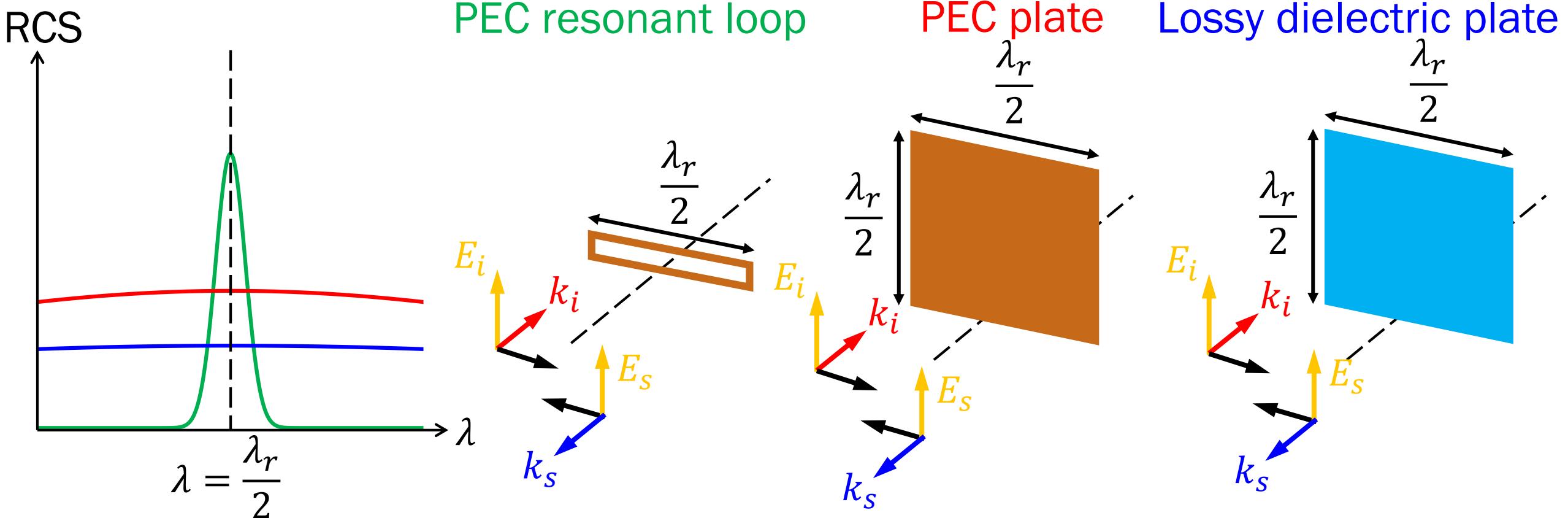
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## Measurement in real environment (Read range)



# Vibration sensing

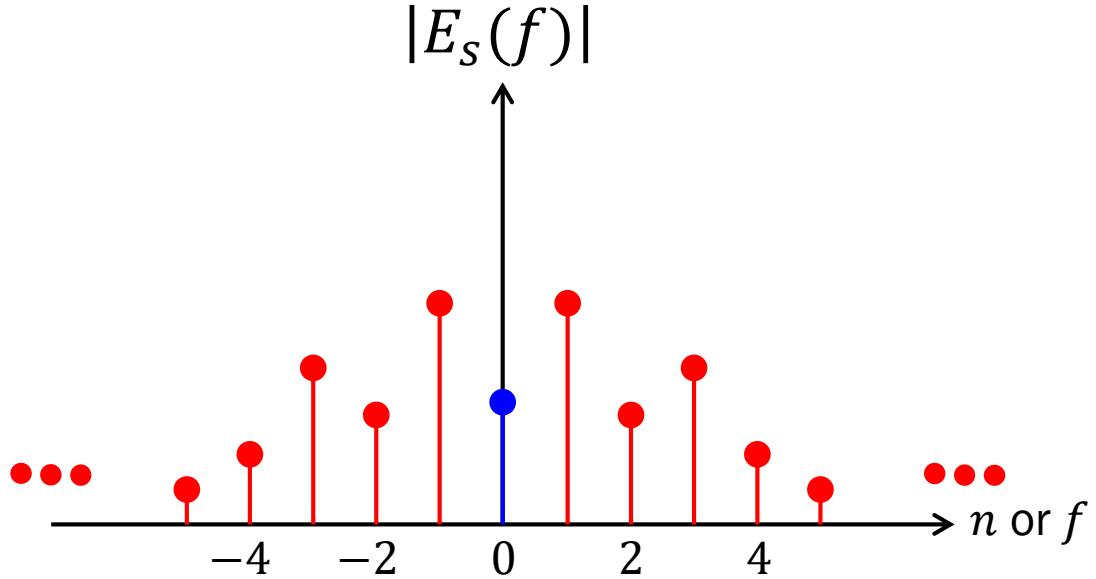
## Read range enhancement based on resonant RCS



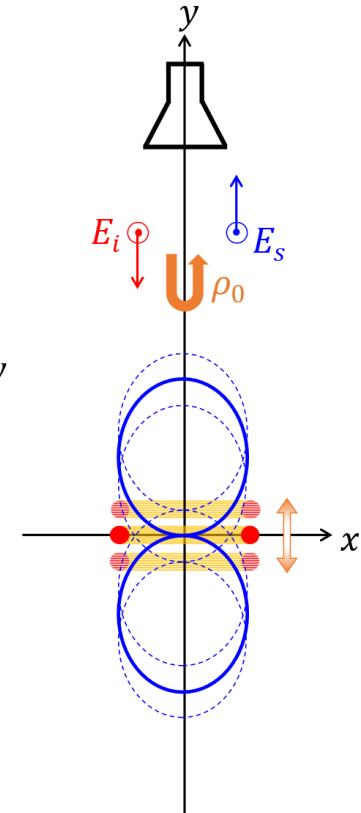
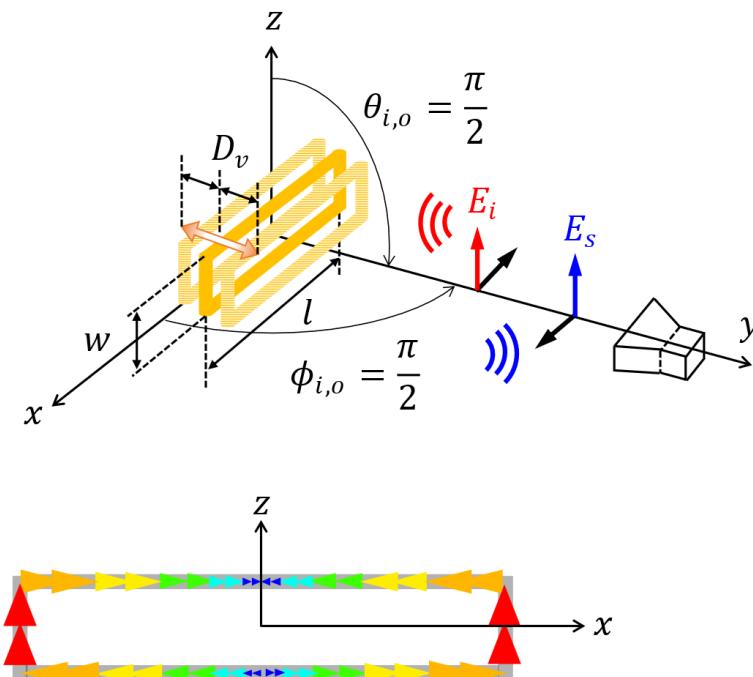
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## Calibration free vibration sensing and target identification



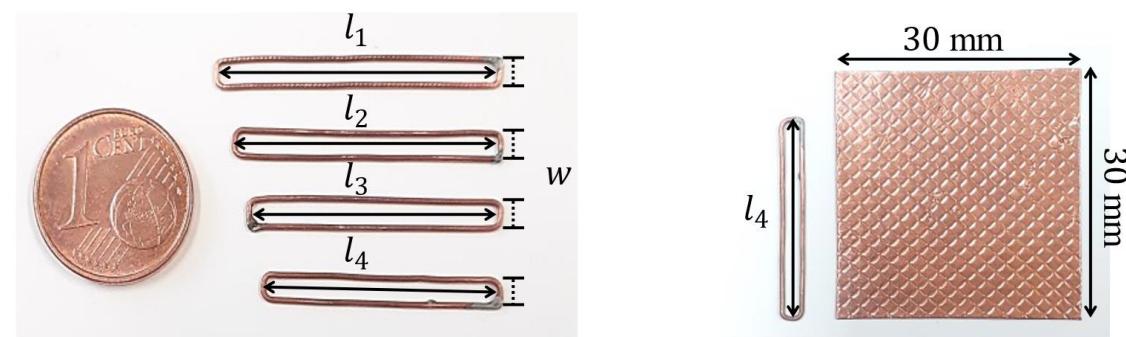
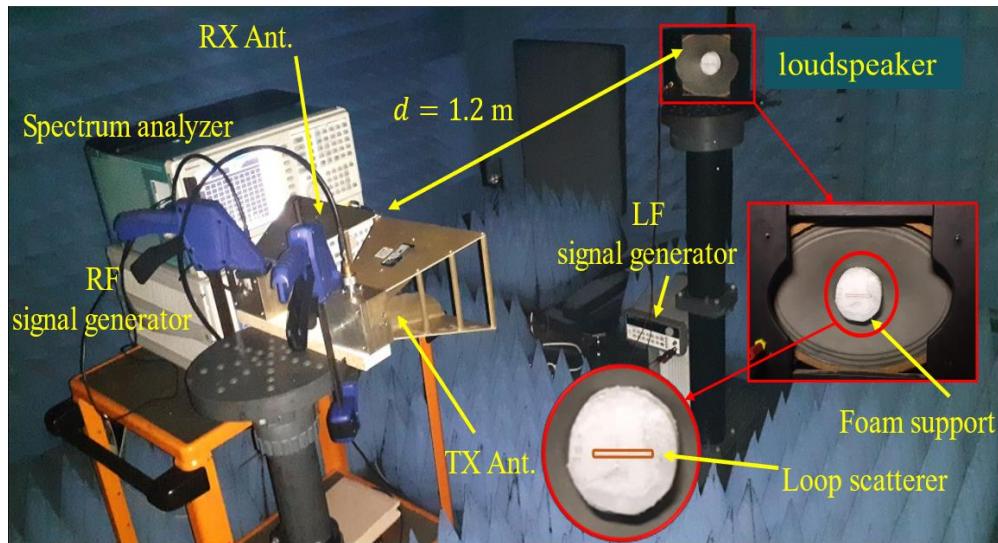
$$\min \left( \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} \left| \frac{|J_n(\beta)|}{|J_{n+1}(\beta)|} - \frac{|C_n|}{|C_{n+1}|} \right|^2 \right) \rightarrow \hat{\beta}_s : \text{Estimated } \beta$$



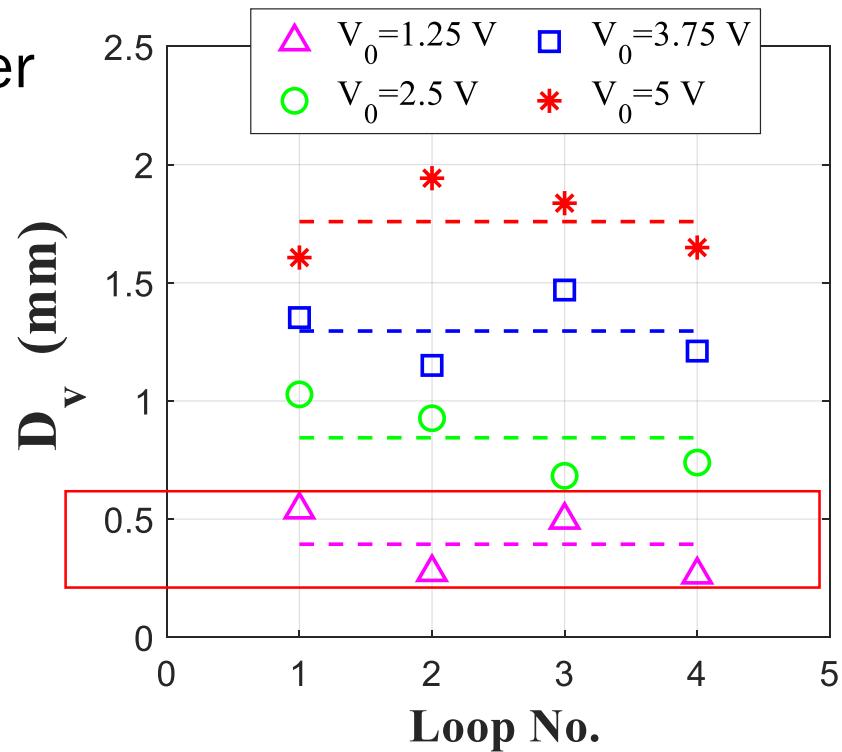
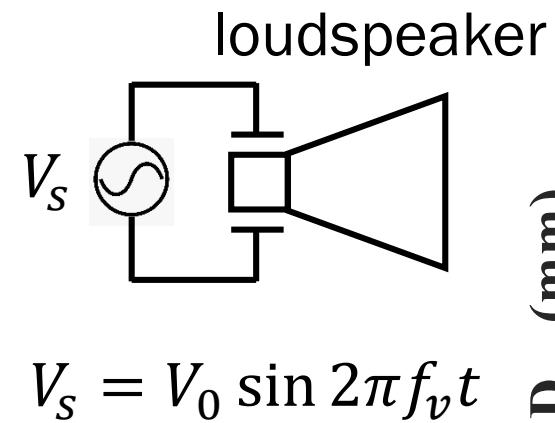
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## Experimental verification

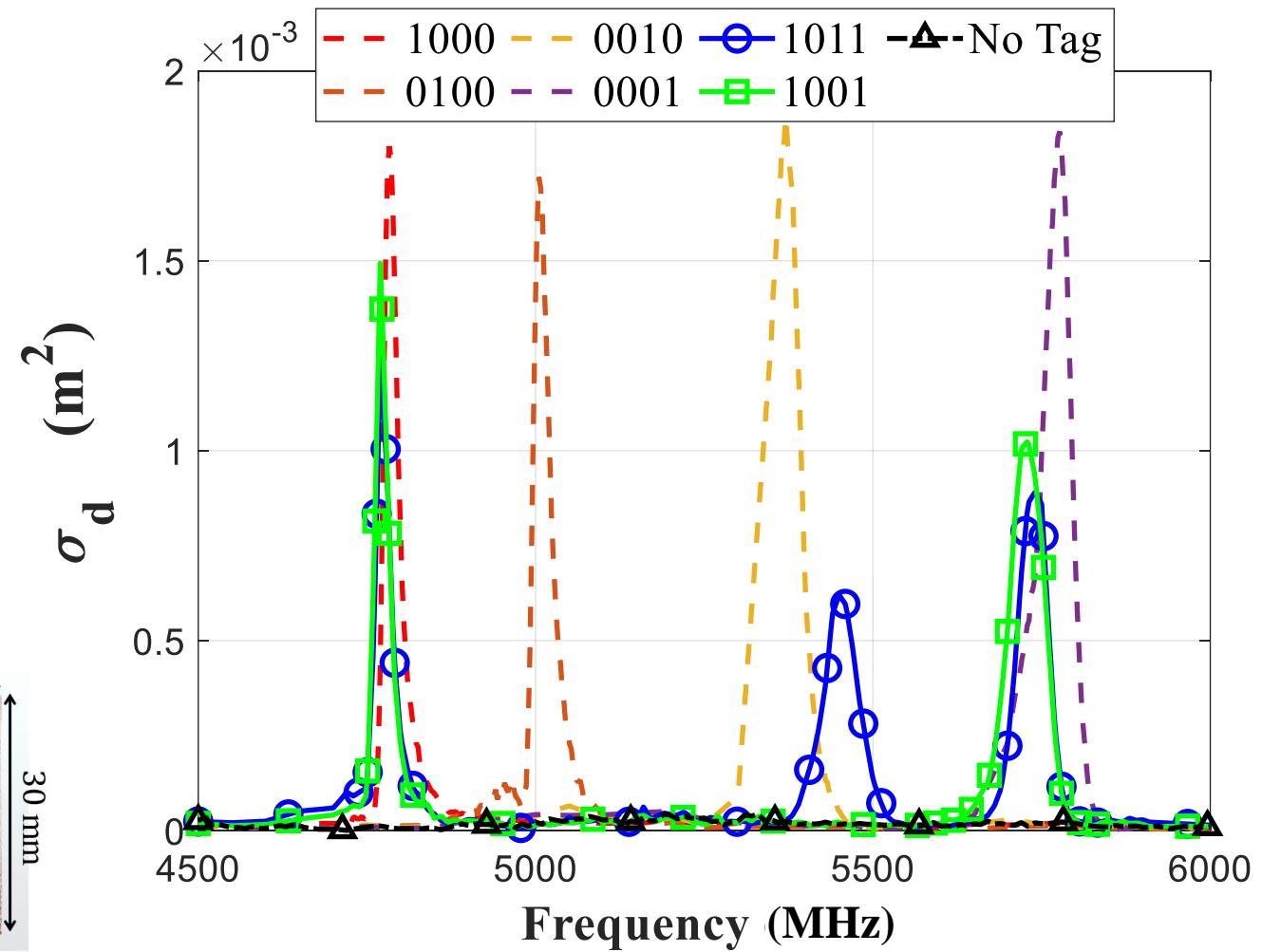
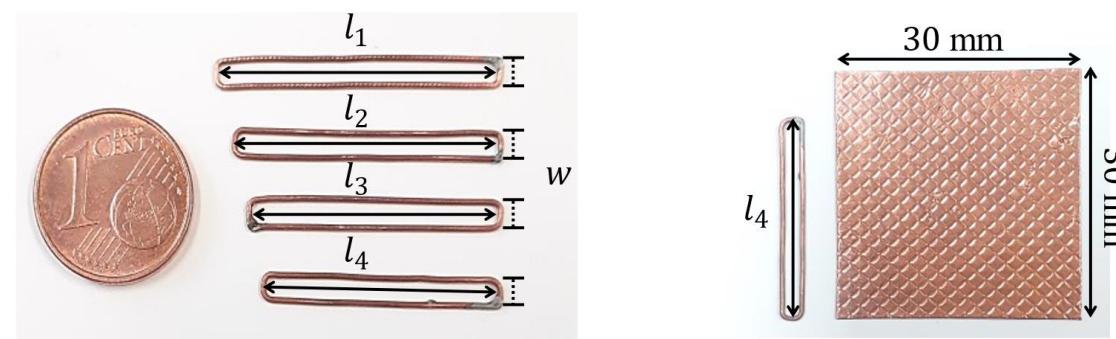
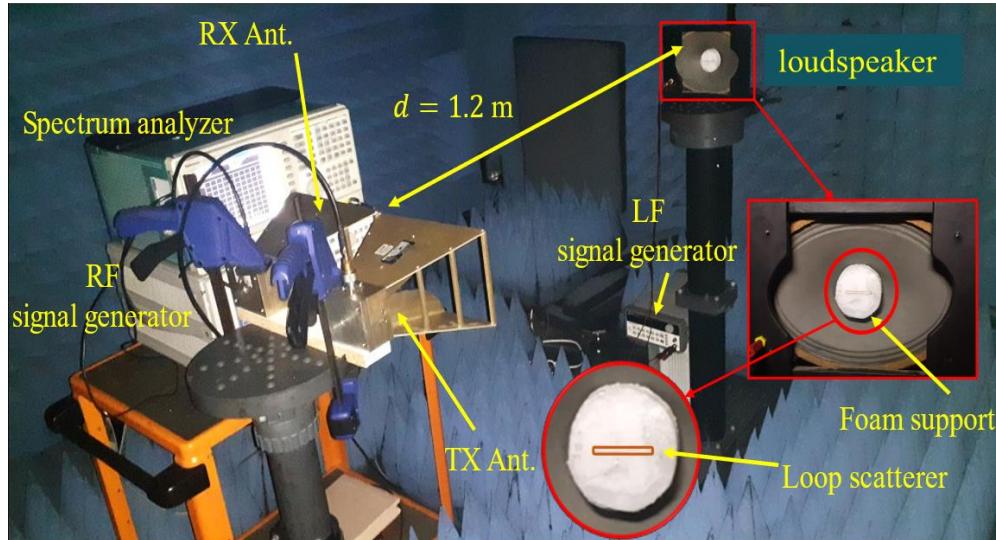


- Sensitivity  $\approx 400 \mu\text{m}$



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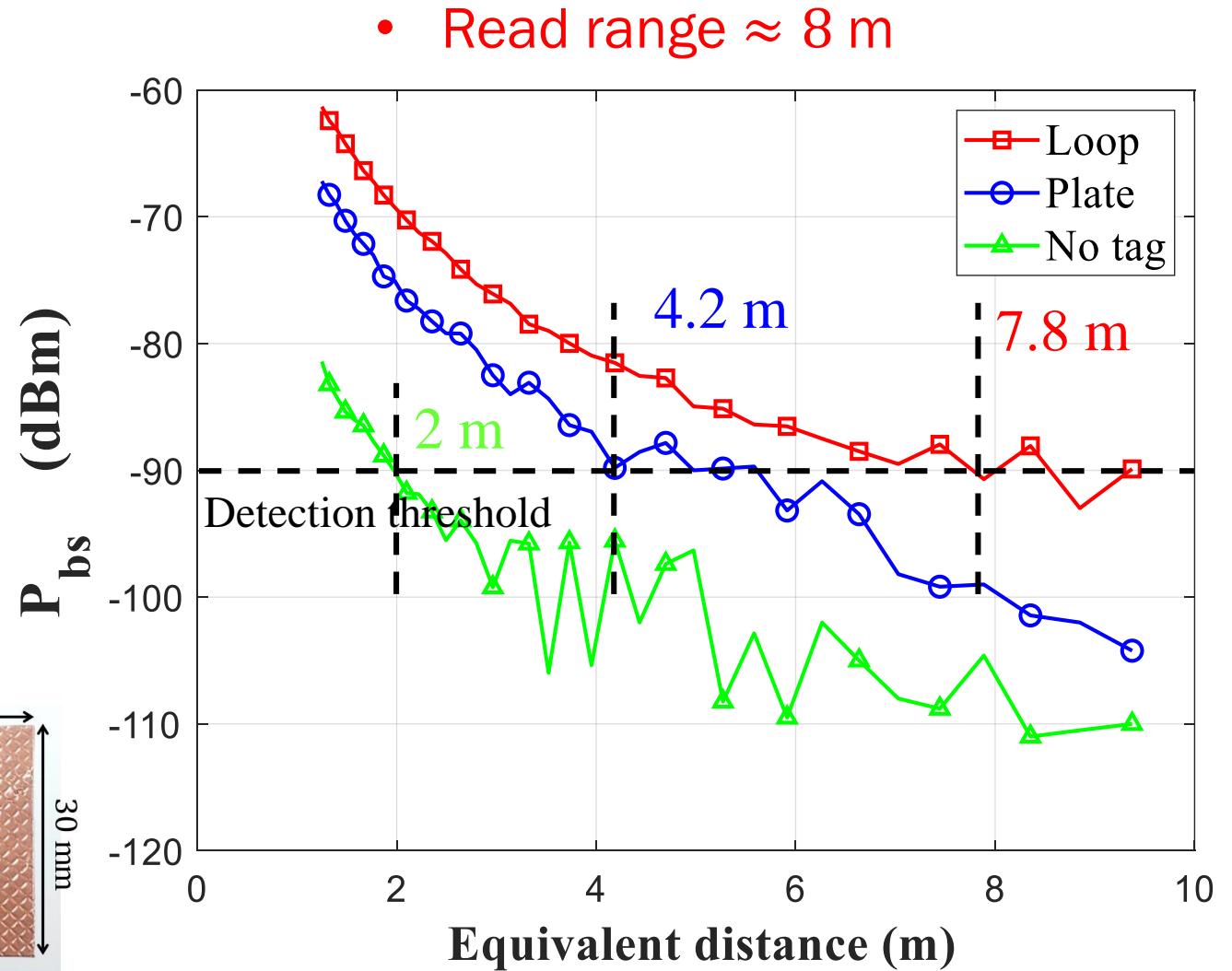
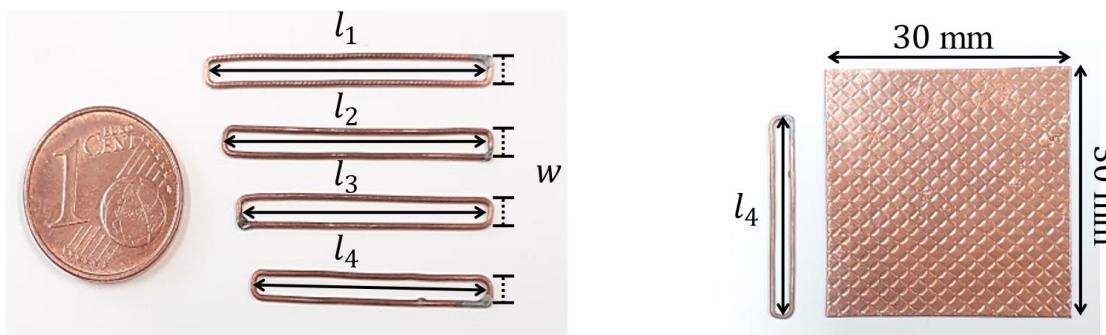
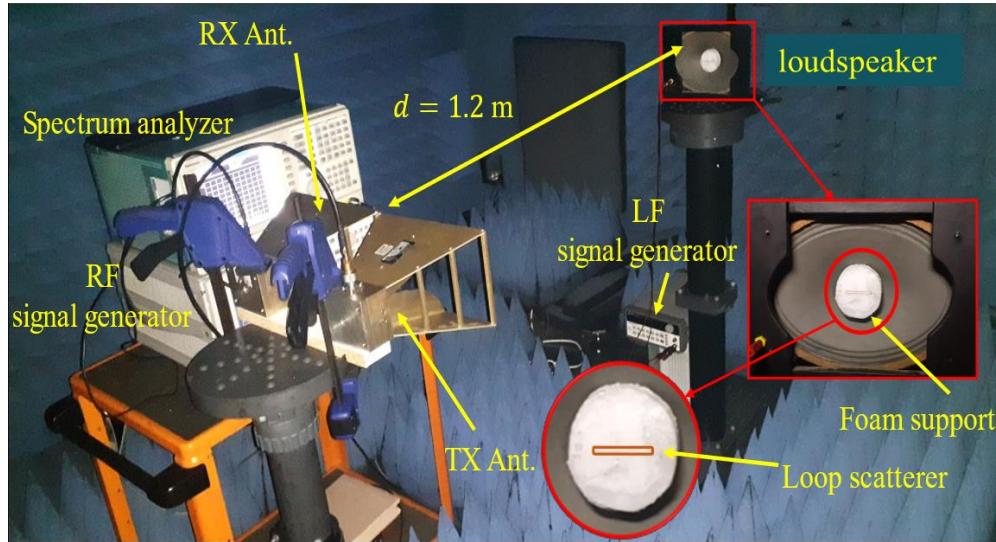
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# Conclusion

- First **LTV** chipless tag based on **micro-Doppler** effect
- Applicable for **any moving target object**
- Analytical model to express the backscattered signal and differential RCS
- **Identification** based on differential RCS
- **Read range up to 10 m**

# Thank you for your attention

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