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Theoretical and Experimental Investigation of Novel Varactor-Tuned Switchable Microstrip Ring Resonator Circuits

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A novel microstrip ring resonator circuit loaded with two p-i-n diodes has been developed as a switchable filter. By replacing one p-i-n diode with a varactor diode, the switchable filter can be made electronically tunable. Isolation exceeding 20 dB with 9 percent tuning bandwidth was demonstrated. An analysis based on transmission line theory was used to model both circuits. The analysis includes the effects of diode parasitic, coupling gaps, dispersion, and mounting gap capacitance. The experimental results agree very well with the theoretical calculation.

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