

## Low-spurious coaxial-line bandpass filter with saucer-loaded stepped-impedance resonators

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A low-spurious coaxial-line bandpass filter (BPF) with saucer-loaded stepped-impedance resonators (SAUSIRs) has been developed. The SAUSIR consists of a conventional stepped-impedance resonator (SIR) and a thin metal saucer loaded in the SIR to control higher-order resonant frequencies of the resonator. By adjusting the positions of the saucers in SAUSIRs, higher-order resonant frequencies of the SAUSIRs in BPF can be scattered in frequency domain without shifting dominant resonant frequency, which results in suppression of spurious responses of the BPF for wide frequency range. A fabricated 4-stage coaxial-line L-band BPF with SAUSIRs has realized spurious responses less than -50 dB up to about  $10 f_{\text{sub } 0}/$ , where  $f_{\text{sub } 0}$  is the center frequency of the BPF.

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