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# ANT-2.4-LPW-125 2.4 GHz Panel-Mount Dipole Antenna

The ANT-2.4-LPW-125 (LPW) is a panel-mount dipole antenna for Bluetooth®, ZigBee® and other 2.4 GHz ISM applications including WiFi/WLAN.

The snap-in panel mount provides for easy and secure installation and the hinged whip with 3-position detent allows for optimal antenna positioning.

Connection is made to the radio via a 125 mm long, 1.13 mm coaxial cable terminated in an MHF1/U.FL-compatible plug connector.

#### **FEATURES**

- Performance
  - VSWR: ≤ 1.5
  - Peak Gain: 2.8 dBi
  - Efcfieincy: 83%
- · Snap-in panel mount
  - 9.5 mm (0.37 in) diameter hole
- 93.7 mm (3.69 in) long
- Hinged with detents for straight, 45 degree and 90 degree positioning
- MHF1/U.FL-compatible plug (female socket) connector attached to 125 mm of 1.13 mm coax cable •

Omnidirectional radiation pattern

# **APPLICATIONS**

- 2.4 GHz applications
  - Bluetooth® and ZigBee®
- Single-band WiFi / WLAN
  - WiFi 4
  - 802.11b/g/n
- Smart Home networking
- Sensing and remote monitoring
   Internet of Things (IoT) devices

Gateways

## ORDERING INFORMATION

Part Number	Description
ANT-2.4-LPW-125	Antenna with MHF1/U.FL-compatible connector on 125 mm (4.92 in) 1.13 mm coax cable

Available from Linx Technologies and select distributors and representatives.

## **TABLE 1. ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

ANT-2.4-LPW-125	2.4 GHz
Frequency Range	2.4 GHz to 2.485 GHz
VSWR (max)	1.5
Return Loss (max.)	-14.6
Peak Gain (dBi)	2.8
Average Gain (dBi)	-1.0
Efcfieincy (%)	83

Electrical specifications and plots measured in Bent-90 configuration.

## **TABLE 2. MECHANICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

Parameter	Dual Band WiFi
Polarization	Linear
Radiation	Omnidirectional
Max Power	10 W
Wavelength	1/2-wave
Electrical Type	Dipole
Impedance	50 Ω
Operating Temp. Range	-20 °C to +85 °C
Dimensions	104.0 mm x 17.0 mm x 5.5 mm (4.09 in x 0.67 in x 0.22 in)
Connection	MHF1/U.FL-compatible plug, female socket
Coaxial Cable	Type: 1.13 mm / Length: 125 mm (4.92 in)
Weight	6.1 g (0.22 oz)
Height	93.7 mm (3.69 in)

# **PRODUCT DIMENSIONS**

Figure 1 shows the overall dimensions and mounting information for the LPW antenna. The antenna's hinged whip can be tilted 90 degrees and has detents at 0, 45 and 90 degrees.

## **PACKAGING INFORMATION**

The ANT-2.4-LPW-125 antennas are individually sealed in a clear plastic bag. Individual packages are packed in a bag of 50, seven bags of 50 to a box and twenty boxes to a carton. Distribution channels may ofefr alternative packaging options.

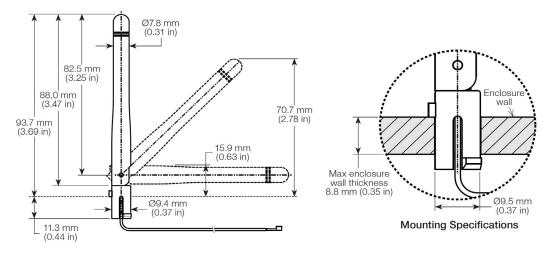


Figure 1. ANT-2.4-LPW-125 Dimensions and Mounting Data

# **ANTENNA ORIENTATION - BENT 90 DEGREES**

The charts on the following pages represent data taken with the antenna Bent-90 degrees, as shown in Figure 2.



Figure 2. LPW Antenna, Bent 90 Degrees (Bent-90)

## **VSWR**

Figure 3 provides the voltage standing wave ratio (VSWR) across the antenna bandwidth. VSWR describes the power reflected from the antenna back to the radio. A lower VSWR value indicates better antenna performance at a given frequency. Reflected power is also shown on the right-side vertical axis as a gauge of the percentage of transmitter power reflected back from the antenna.

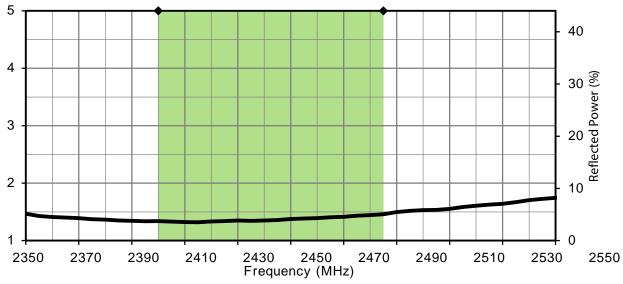


Figure 3. LPW VSWR, Bent-90

## **RETURN LOSS**

Return loss (Figure 4), represents the loss in power at the antenna due to reflected signals. Like VSWR, a lower return loss value indicates better antenna performance at a given frequency.

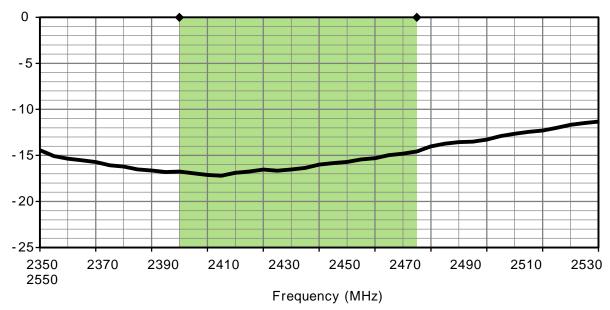
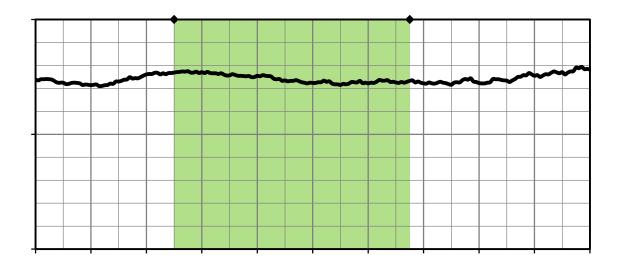
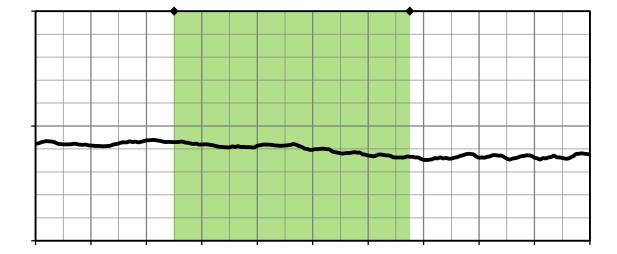


Figure 4. LPW Return Loss, Bent-90





# **PEAK GAIN**

The peak gain across the antenna bandwidth is shown in Figure 5. Peak gain represents the maximum antenna input power concentration across 3-dimensional space, and therefore peak performance at a given frequency, but does not consider any directionality in the gain pattern.

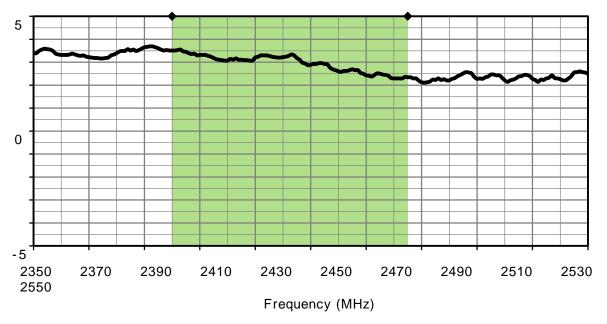


Figure 5. LPW Peak Gain, Bent-90

## **AVERAGE GAIN**

Average gain (Figure 6), is the average of all antenna gain in 3-dimensional space at each frequency, providing an indication of overall performance without expressing antenna directionality.

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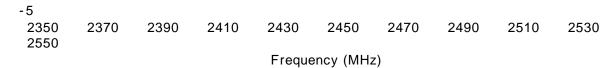
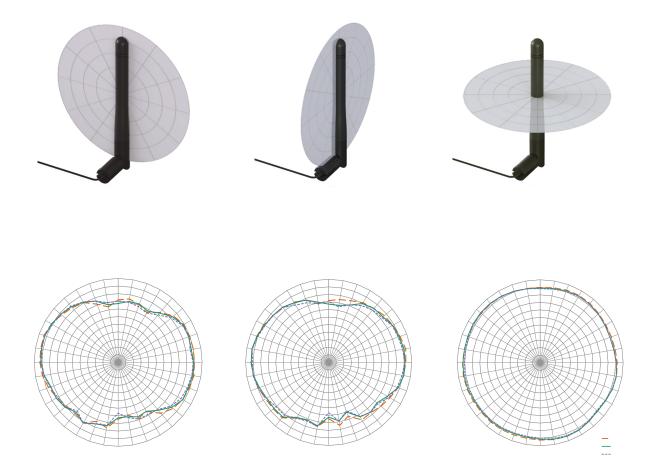


Figure 6. LPW Average Gain, Bent-90



# **RADIATION EFFICIENCY**

Radiation efcfieincy (Figure 7), shows the ratio of power delivered to the antenna relative to the power radiated at the antenna, expressed as a percentage, where a higher percentage indicates better performance at a given frequency.

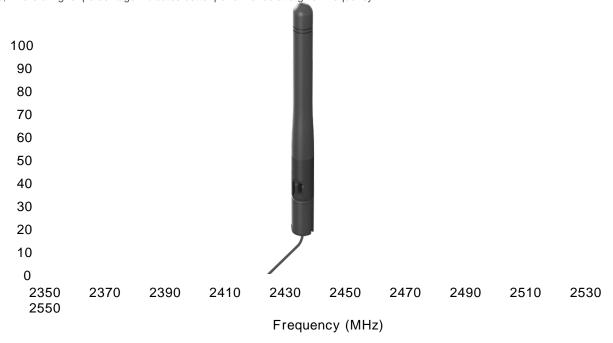
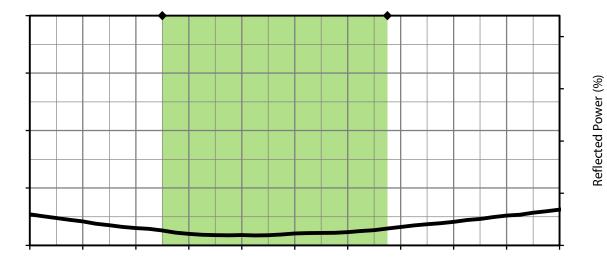
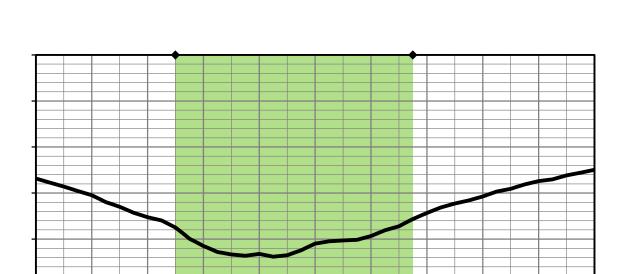


Figure 7. LPW Radiation Efcfieincy, Bent-90

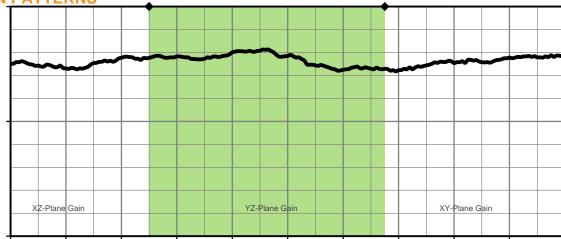




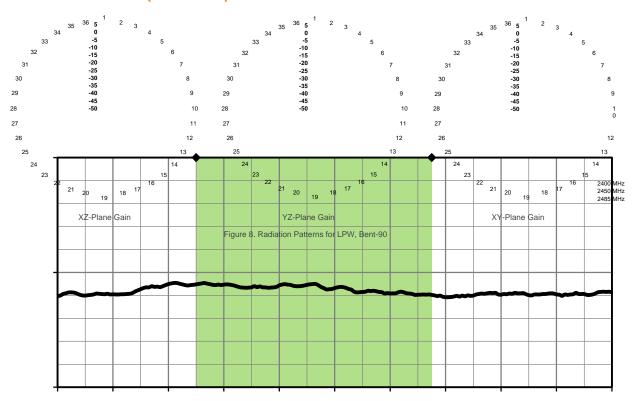
# **RADIATION PATTERNS - BENT-90 DEGREES**

Radiation patterns provide information about the directionality and 3-dimensional gain performance of the antenna by plotting gain at specific frequencies in three orthogonal planes. Antenna radiation patterns for a Bent-90 orientation are shown in Figure 8 using polar plots covering 360 degrees. The antenna graphic provides reference to the plane of the column of plots below it. Note: when viewed with typical PDF viewing software, zooming into radiation patterns is possible to reveal fine detail.





# 2400 MHz TO 2485 MHz (2450 MHz)



# **ANTENNA ORIENTATION - STRAIGHT**

The charts on the following pages represent data taken with the antenna oriented straight, as shown in Figure 9.

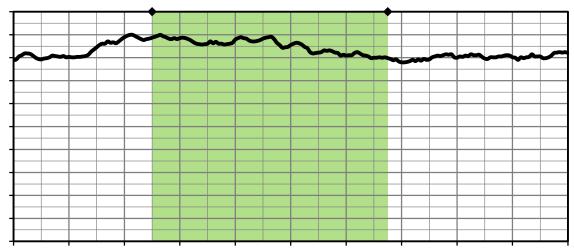


Figure 9. LPD Antenna Shown Straight

# **VSWR**

Figure 10 provides the voltage standing wave ratio (VSWR) across the antenna bandwidth. VSWR describes the power reflected from the antenna back to the radio. A lower VSWR value indicates better antenna performance at a given frequency. Reflected power is also shown on the right-side vertical axis as a gauge of the percentage of transmitter power reflected back from the antenna.

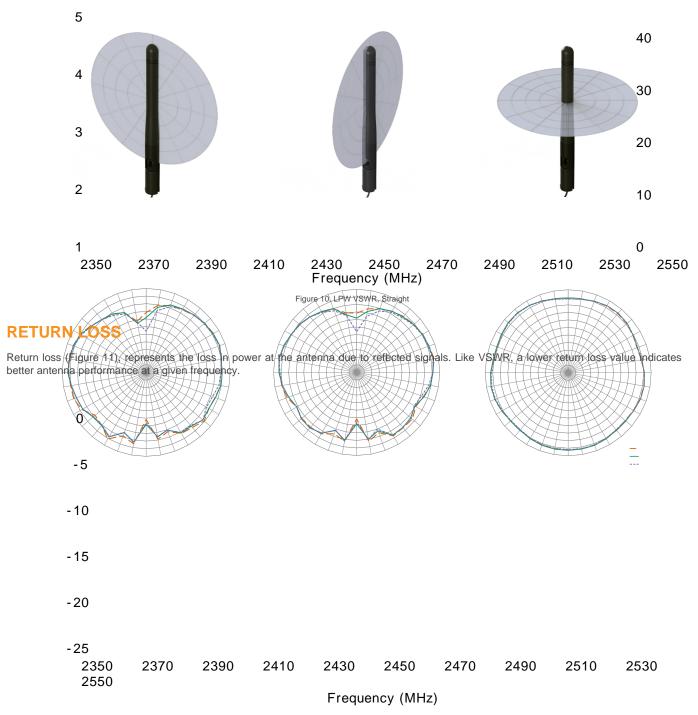


Figure 11. LPW Return Loss, Straight

# **PEAK GAIN**

The peak gain across the antenna bandwidth is shown in Figure 12. Peak gain represents the maximum antenna input power concentration across 3-dimensional space, and therefore peak performance at a given frequency, but does not consider any directionality in the gain pattern.

5 [ 20 ] [ Return Loss]

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$$\left( \left( ----\right)^{2}\right)$$

-5 2350 2370 2390 2410 <sup>db</sup>2430 <sup>10</sup>2450 2470 2490 2510 2530 2550 <sub>dBd dBi</sub> Frequency (MHz)

Figure 12. LPW Peak Gain, Straight

## **AVERAGE GAIN**

Average gain (Figure 13), is the average of all antenna gain in 3-dimensional space at each frequency, providing an indication of overall performance without expressing antenna directionality.

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-5 2350 2370 2390 2410 2430 2450 2470 2490 2510 2530 2550 Frequency (MHz)

Figure 13. LPW Average Gain, Straight

# **RADIATION EFFICIENCY**

Radiation efcfieincy (Figure 14), shows the ratio of power delivered to the antenna relative to the power radiated at the antenna, expressed as a percentage, where a higher percentage indicates better performance at a given frequency.

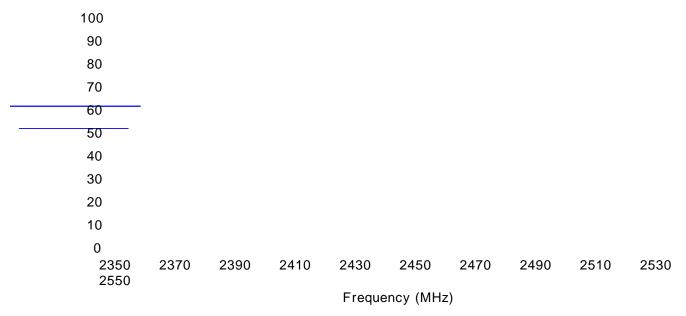
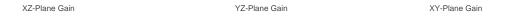


Figure 14. LPW Radiation Efcfieincy, Straight

# **RADIATION PATTERNS - BENT-90 DEGREES**

Radiation patterns provide information about the directionality and 3-dimensional gain performance of the antenna by plotting gain at specific frequencies in three orthogonal planes. Antenna radiation patterns for a Straight orientation are shown in Figure 15 using polar plots covering 360 degrees. The antenna graphic provides reference to the plane of the column of plots below it. Note: when viewed with typical PDF viewing software, zooming into radiation patterns is possible to reveal fine detail.

# **RADIATION PATTERNS**



# 2400 MHz TO 2485 MHz (2450 MHz)

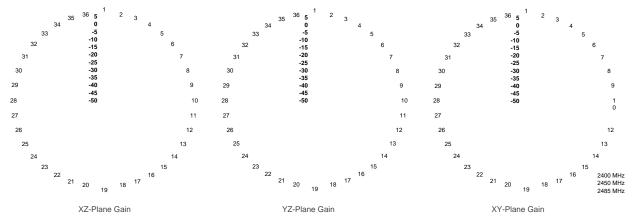


Figure 15. Radiation Patterns for LPW, Straight

#### ANTENNA DEFINITIONS AND USEFUL FORMULAS

VSWR - Voltage Standing Wave Ratio. VSWR is a unitless ratio that describes the power reflected from the antenna back to the radio. A lower VSWR value indicates better antenna performance at a given frequency. VSWR is easily derived from Return Loss.

$$VSWR = \begin{array}{c} 10 & +1 \\ 10 & -1 \end{array}$$

Return Loss - Return loss represents the loss in power at the antenna due to reflected signals, measured in decibels. A lower return loss value indicates better antenna performance at a given frequency. Return Loss is easily derived from VSWR.

Return Loss = 
$$-20 \log \frac{VSWR - 1}{VSWR + 1}$$

Efcfieincy  $(\eta)$  - The total power radiated from an antenna divided by the input power at the feed point of the antenna as a percentage.

Total Radiated Efcfieincy - (TRE) The total efcfieincy of an antenna solution comprising the radiation efcfieincy of the antenna and the transmitted (forward) efcfieincy from the transmitter.

$$TRE = \eta \cdot 1 - \begin{cases} VSWR - 1 \\ VSWR + 1 \end{cases}$$

Gain - The ratio of an antenna's efcfieincy in a given direction (G) to the power produced by a theoretical lossless (100% efcfieint) isotropic antenna. The gain of an antenna is almost always expressed in decibels.

$$G = 10 \log (G)$$

$$G = G - 2.51 dB$$

Peak Gain - The highest antenna gain across all directions for a given frequency range. A directional antenna will have a very high peak gain compared to average gain.

Average Gain - The average gain across all directions for a given frequency range.

Maximum Power - The maximum signal power which may be applied to an antenna feed point, typically measured in watts (W). Refelcted Power - A portion of the forward power reflected back toward the amplifier due to a mismatch at the antenna port.

$$VSWR - 1$$
$$VSWR + 1$$

decibel (dB) - A logarithmic unit of measure of the power of an electrical signal.

decibel isotropic (dBi) - A comparative measure in decibels between an antenna under test and an isotropic radiator.

decibel relative to a dipole (dBd) - A comparative measure in decibels between an antenna under test and an ideal half-wave dipole.

Dipole - An ideal dipole comprises a straight electrical conductor measuring 1/2 wavelength from end to end connected at the center to a feed point for the radio.

Isotropic Radiator - A theoretical antenna which radiates energy equally in all directions as a perfect sphere.

Omnidirectional - Term describing an antenna radiation pattern that is uniform in all directions. An isotropic antenna is the theoretical perfect omnidirectional antenna. An ideal dipole antenna has a donut shaped radiation pattern and other practical antenna implementations will have less perfect but generally omnidirectional radiation patterns which are typically plotted on three axes.

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