RUN mXTENDTM (FR01-S4-224) – AN for ISM868/915 863-870 MHz and 902-928 MHz

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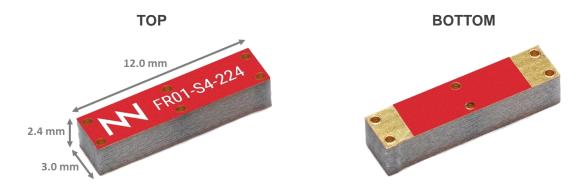
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1. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION FR01-S4-224

The RUN mXTEND™ antenna booster has been specifically designed for providing multiband performance in wireless devices (in particular in mobile devices), enabling worldwide coverage by allowing operation in the communication standards such as ISM868, ISM915, Zigbee, and RFID.



Material: The RUN mXTEND™ antenna booster is built on glass epoxy substrate.

APPLICATIONS

- Handsets
- Smartphones
- Tablets
- Phablets
- Laptop PCs
- Netbooks
- Modules
- Routers
- eBook readers

BENEFITS

- High efficiency
- Small size
- Cost-effective
- Easy-to-use (pick and place)
- Multiband behaviour (worldwide standards)
- Off-the-Shelf Standard Product (no customization is required)

The RUN mXTENDTM antenna booster belongs to a new generation of antenna solutions based on the Virtual AntennaTM technology owned by Fractus Antennas. The technology is mainly focused on replacing conventional antenna solutions by miniature and standard components.

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2. EVALUATION BOARD 863-870 MHz

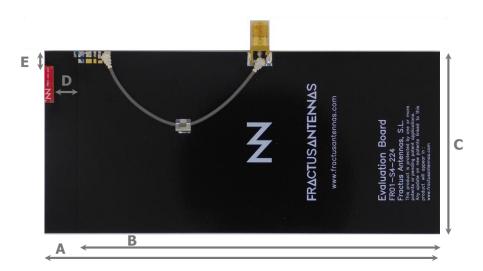
2.1. QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Technical features	863 – 870 MHz
Average Efficiency	> 85.0 %
Peak Gain	2.1 dBi
VSWR	< 2:1
Radiation Pattern	Omnidirectional
Polarization	Linear
Weight (approx.)	0.19 g.
Temperature	-40 to + 85 °C
Impedance	$50~\Omega$
Dimensions (L x W x H)	12.0 mm x 3.0 mm x 2.4 mm

Table 1 – Technical Features. Measures from the evaluation board. See Figure 1.

2.2. EVALUATION BOARD

This Evaluation Board EB_FR01-S4-224-868 integrates a UFL cable to connect the RUN mXTEND™ antenna booster with the SMA connector. The RUN mXTEND™ provides operation in the frequency region from 863 MHz to 870 MHz, through a single input/output port.



Measure	mm
Α	131
В	120
С	60
D	8.0
E	5.0

Tolerance: ±0.2 mm

D: Distance between the RUN mXTENDTM antenna booster and the ground plane.

Material: The evaluation board is built on FR4 substrate. Thickness is 1 mm.

Figure 1 – EB_FR01-S4-224-868. Evaluation Board providing operation from 863 MHz to 870 MHz.

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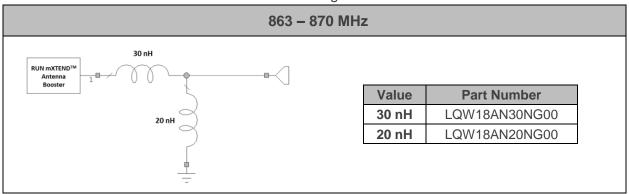


Figure 2 – Matching Network implemented in the evaluation board (Figure 1)

2.4. VSWR AND TOTAL EFFICIENCY

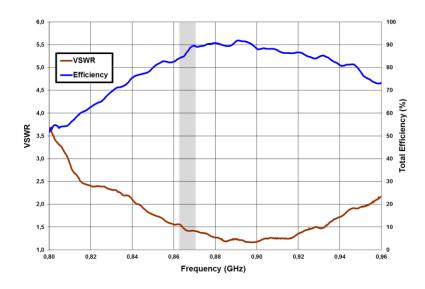
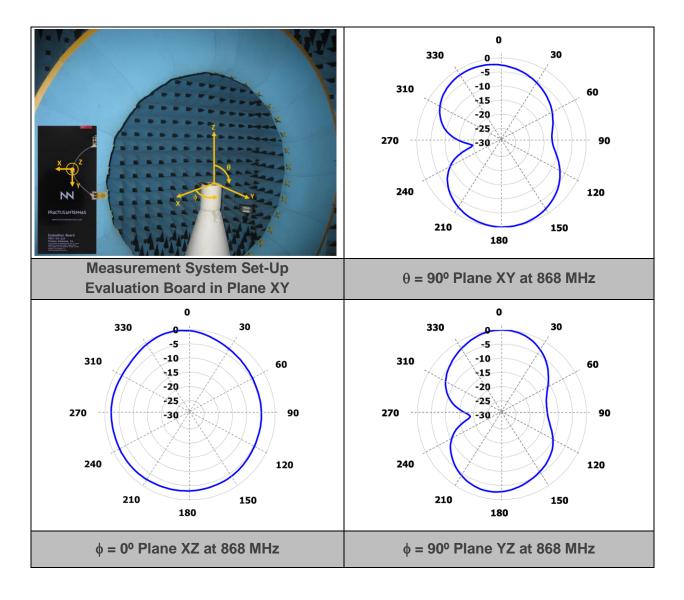


Figure 3 – VSWR and Total Efficiency for the 863 – 870 MHz from the evaluation board (Figure 1).

2.5. RADIATION PATTERNS (863-870 MHz), GAIN, AND EFFICIENCY



	Peak Gain	2.1 dBi
Gain	Average Gain across the band	1.9 dBi
	Gain Range across the band (min, max)	1.7 <-> 2.1 dBi
	Peak Efficiency	91.5 %
Efficiency	Average Efficiency across the band	88.6 %
	Efficiency Range across the band (min, max)	84.2 – 91.5 %

Table 2 – Antenna Gain and Total Efficiency from the evaluation board (Figure 1) within the 863 – 870 MHz frequency range. Measures made in the Satimo STARGATE 32 anechoic chamber.

3. EVALUATION BOARD 902-928 MHz

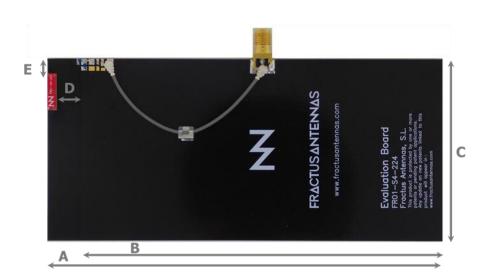
3.1. QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Technical features	902 – 928 MHz	
Average Efficiency	> 85.0 %	
Peak Gain	2.1 dBi	
VSWR	< 2:1	
Radiation Pattern	Omnidirectional	
Polarization	Linear	
Weight (approx.)	0.19 g.	
Temperature	-40 to + 85 °C	
Impedance	50 Ω	
Dimensions (L x W x H)	12.0 mm x 3.0 mm x 2.4 mm	

Table 3 – Technical Features. Measures from the evaluation board. See Figure 4.

3.2. EVALUATION BOARD

This Evaluation Board EB_FR01-S4-224-915 integrates a UFL cable to connect the RUN mXTEND™ antenna booster with the SMA connector. The RUN mXTEND™ provides operation in the frequency region from 902 MHz to 928 MHz, through a single input/output port.



Measure	mm
Α	131
В	120
С	60
D	8.0
E	5.0

Tolerance: ±0.2 mm

 $\textbf{D} \colon \mbox{Distance}$ between the RUN mXTEND $^{\mbox{\scriptsize TM}}$ antenna booster and the ground plane.

Material: The evaluation board is built on FR4 substrate. Thickness is 1 mm.

Figure 4 – EB_FR01-S4-224-915. Evaluation Board providing operation from 902 MHz to 928 MHz.

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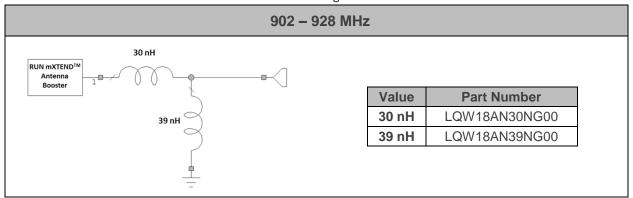


Figure 5 – Matching Network implemented in the evaluation board (Figure 4)

3.4. VSWR AND TOTAL EFFICIENCY

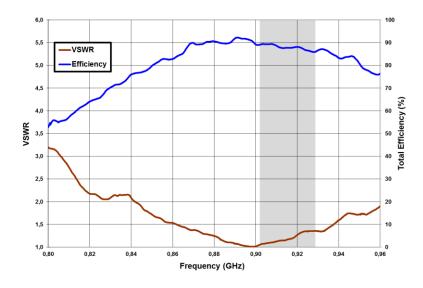
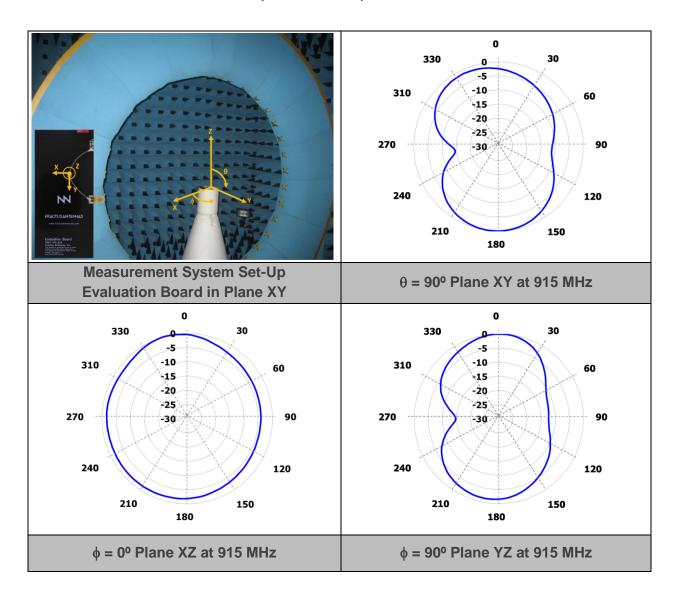


Figure 6 - VSWR and Total Efficiency for the 902 - 928 MHz from the evaluation board (Figure 1).

3.5. RADIATION PATTERNS (902-928 MHz), GAIN, AND EFFICIENCY



	Peak Gain	2.1 dBi
Gain	Average Gain across the band	2.0 dBi
	Gain Range across the band (min, max)	1.9 <-> 2.1 dBi
	Peak Efficiency	90.2 %
Efficiency	Average Efficiency across the band	87.7 %
	Efficiency Range across the band (min, max)	84.8 – 90.2 %

Table 4 – Antenna Gain and Total Efficiency from the evaluation board (Figure 4) within the 902 – 928 MHz frequency range. Measures made in the Satimo STARGATE 32 anechoic chamber.

4. EVALUATION BOARD 863-928 MHz

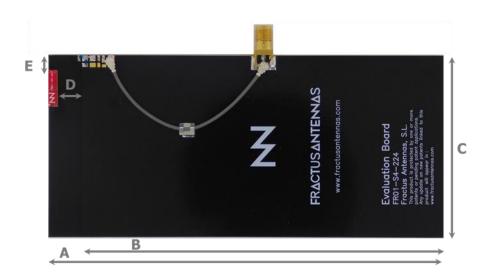
4.1. QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Technical features	863 – 928 MHz
Average Efficiency	> 85.0 %
Peak Gain	2.2 dBi
VSWR	< 2:1
Radiation Pattern	Omnidirectional
Polarization	Linear
Weight (approx.)	0.19 g.
Temperature	-40 to + 85 °C
Impedance	50 Ω
Dimensions (L x W x H)	12.0 mm x 3.0 mm x 2.4 mm

Table 5 – Technical Features. Measures from the evaluation board. See Figure 7.

4.2. EVALUATION BOARD

This Evaluation Board EB_FR01-S4-224-868-915 integrates a UFL cable to connect the RUN mXTEND™ antenna booster with the SMA connector. The RUN mXTEND™ provides operation in the frequency region from 863 MHz to 928 MHz, through a single input/output port.



Measure	mm
Α	131
В	120
С	60
D	8.0
E	5.0

Tolerance: ±0.2 mm

D: Distance between the RUN mXTEND $^{\text{TM}}$ antenna booster and the ground plane.

Material: The evaluation board is built on FR4 substrate. Thickness is 1 mm.

Figure 7 – EB_FR01-S4-224-868-915. Evaluation Board providing operation from 863 MHz to 928 MHz.

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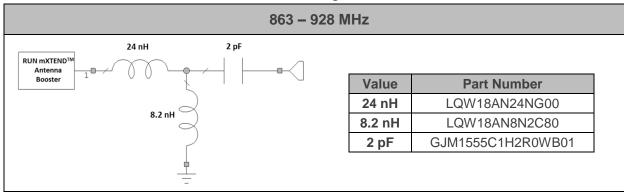


Figure 8 – Matching Network implemented in the evaluation board (Figure 7)

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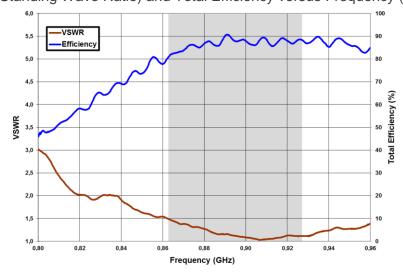
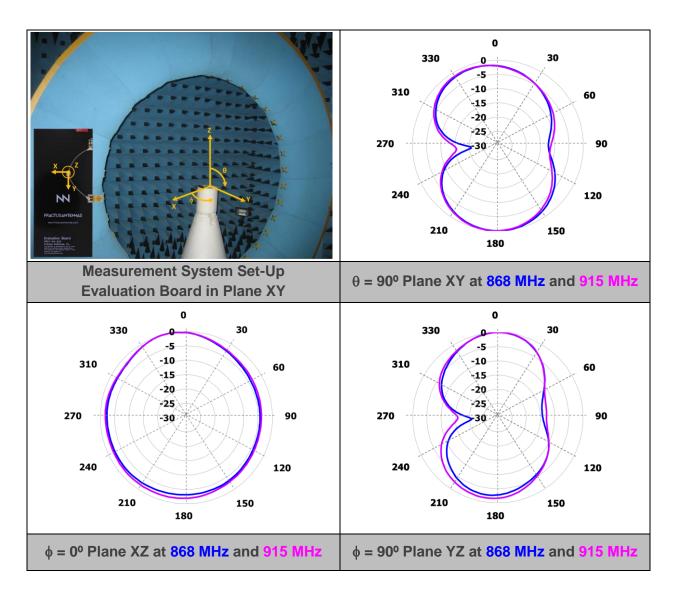


Figure 9 – VSWR and Total Efficiency for the 863 – 928 MHz from the evaluation board (Figure 7).

4.5. RADIATION PATTERNS (863-928 MHz), GAIN, AND EFFICIENCY



	Peak Gain	2.2 dBi
Gain	Average Gain across the band	1.9 dBi
	Gain Range across the band (min, max)	1.6 <-> 2.2 dBi
	Peak Efficiency	92.8 %
Efficiency	Average Efficiency across the band	87.0 %
	Efficiency Range across the band (min, max)	82.1 – 92.8 %

Table 6 – Antenna Gain and Total Efficiency from the evaluation board (Figure 7) within the 863 – 928 MHz frequency range. Measures made in the Satimo STARGATE 32 anechoic chamber.

5. EVALUATION BOARD CR80 863-870 MHz

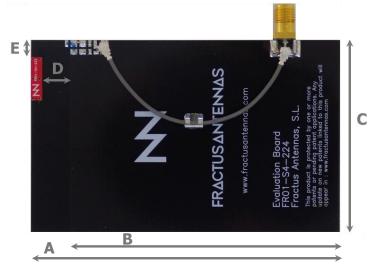
5.1. QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Technical features	863 – 870 MHz	
Average Efficiency	> 60.0 %	
Peak Gain	0.2 dBi	
VSWR	< 2:1	
Radiation Pattern	Omnidirectional	
Polarization	Linear	
Weight (approx.)	0.19 g.	
Temperature	-40 to + 85 °C	
Impedance	50 Ω	
Dimensions (L x W x H)	12.0 mm x 3.0 mm x 2.4 mm	

Table 7 – Technical Features. Measures from the evaluation board. See Figure 10.

5.2. EVALUATION BOARD

This Evaluation Board EB_FR01-S4-224-CR80-868 integrates a UFL cable to connect the RUN mXTEND™ antenna booster with the SMA connector. The RUN mXTEND™ provides operation in the frequency region which covers from 863 MHz to 870 MHz, through a single input/output port.



Measure	
Α	86
В	75
С	54
D	8.0
E	5.0

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Tolerance: ±0.2 mm

D: Distance between the RUN mXTEND™ antenna booster and the ground plane.

Material: The evaluation board is built on FR4 substrate. Thickness is 1 mm.

Figure 10 – EB_FR01-S4-224-CR80-868. Evaluation Board providing operation from 863 MHz to 870 MHz.

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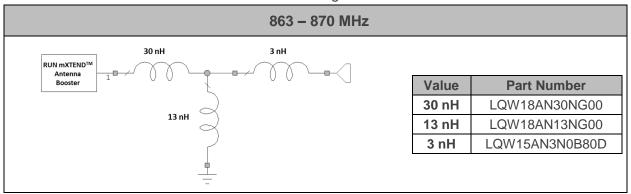


Figure 11 – Matching Network implemented in the evaluation board (Figure 10)

5.4. VSWR AND TOTAL EFFICIENCY

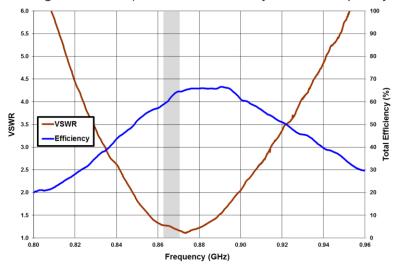
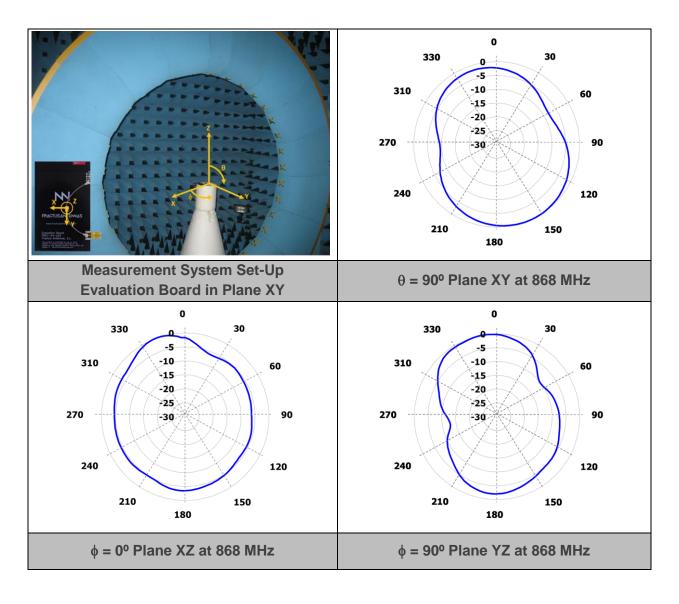


Figure 12 - VSWR and Total Efficiency for the 863 - 870 MHz from the evaluation board (Figure 10).

5.5. RADIATION PATTERNS (863-870 MHz), GAIN, AND EFFICIENCY



	Peak Gain	0.2 dBi
Gain	Average Gain across the band	0.1 dBi
	Gain Range across the band (min, max)	-0.2 <-> 0.2 dBi
	Peak Efficiency	65.7 %
Efficiency	Average Efficiency across the band	63.7 %
	Efficiency Range across the band (min, max)	60.2 – 65.7 %

Table 8 – Antenna Gain and Total Efficiency from the evaluation board (Figure 10) within the 863 – 870 MHz frequency range. Measures made in the Satimo STARGATE 32 anechoic chamber.

6. EVALUATION BOARD CR80 902-928 MHz

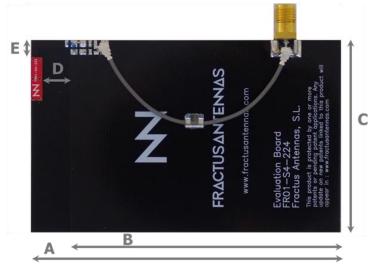
6.1. QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Technical features	902 – 928 MHz	
Average Efficiency	> 60 %	
Peak Gain	0.6 dBi	
VSWR	< 2:1	
Radiation Pattern	Omnidirectional	
Polarization	Linear	
Weight (approx.)	0.19 g.	
Temperature	-40 to + 85 °C	
Impedance	50 Ω	
Dimensions (L x W x H)	12.0 mm x 3.0 mm x 2.4 mm	

Table 9 – Technical Features. Measures from the evaluation board. See Figure 13.

6.2. EVALUATION BOARD

This Evaluation Board EB_FR01-S4-224-CR80-915 integrates a UFL cable to connect the RUN mXTEND™ antenna booster with the SMA connector. The RUN mXTEND™ provides operation in the frequency region which covers from 902 MHz to 928 MHz, through a single input/output port.



Measure	mm
Α	86
В	75
С	54
D	8.0
E	5.0

Tolerance: ±0.2 mm

 $\mathbf{D}:$ Distance between the RUN mXTEND $^{\text{TM}}$ antenna booster and the ground plane.

Material: The evaluation board is built on FR4 substrate. Thickness is 1 mm.

Figure 13 – EB_FR01-S4-224-CR80-915. Evaluation Board providing operation from 902 MHz to 928 MHz.

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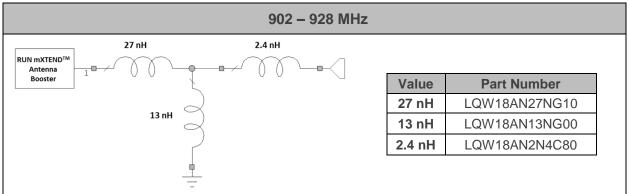


Figure 14 – Matching Network implemented in the evaluation board (Figure 13)

6.4. VSWR AND TOTAL EFFICIENCY

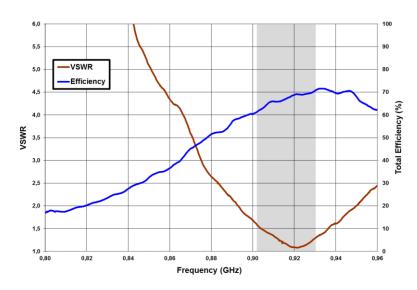
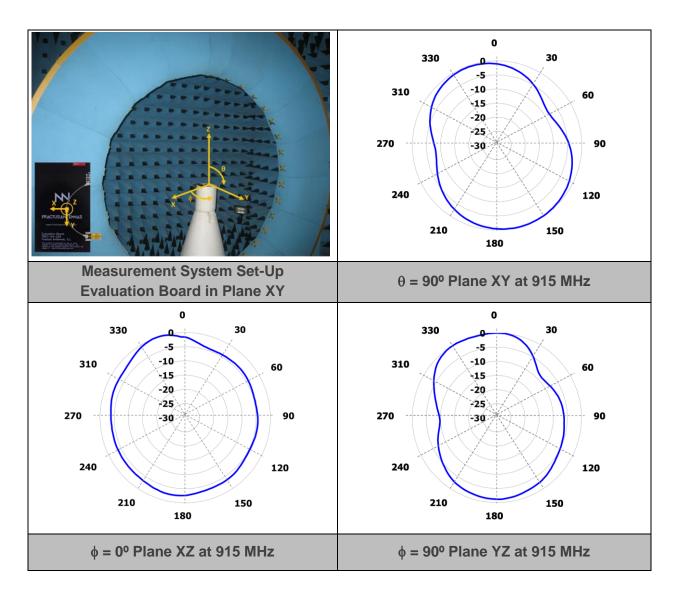


Figure 15 - VSWR and Total Efficiency for the 902 - 928 MHz from the evaluation board (Figure 13).

6.5. RADIATION PATTERNS (902-928 MHz), GAIN, AND EFFICIENCY



	Peak Gain	0.6 dBi
Gain	Average Gain across the band	0.4 dBi
	Gain Range across the band (min, max)	0.1 <-> 0.6 dBi
	Peak Efficiency	70.6 %
Efficiency	Average Efficiency across the band	67.4 %
	Efficiency Range across the band (min, max)	62.7 – 70.6 %

Table 10 – Antenna Gain and Total Efficiency from the evaluation board (Figure 1) within the 902 – 928 MHz frequency range. Measures made in the Satimo STARGATE 32 anechoic chamber.

7. EVALUATION BOARD CR80 863-928 MHz

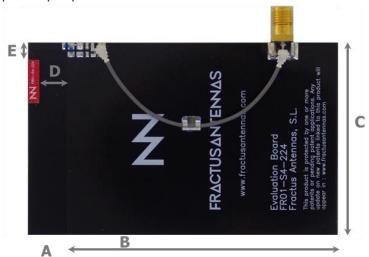
7.1. QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Technical features	863 – 928 MHz
Average Efficiency	> 55.0 %
Peak Gain	0.4 dBi
VSWR	< 2.5:1
Radiation Pattern	Omnidirectional
Polarization	Linear
Weight (approx.)	0.19 g.
Temperature	-40 to + 85 °C
Impedance	$50~\Omega$
Dimensions (L x W x H)	12.0 mm x 3.0 mm x 2.4 mm

Table 11 – Technical Features. Measures from the evaluation board. See Figure 16.

7.2. EVALUATION BOARD

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Measure	mm
Α	86
В	75
С	54
D	8.0
Е	5.0

Tolerance: ±0.2 mm

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Material: The evaluation board is built on FR4 substrate. Thickness is 1 mm.

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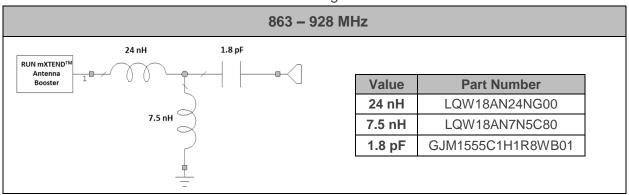


Figure 17 - Matching Network implemented in the evaluation board (Figure 16)

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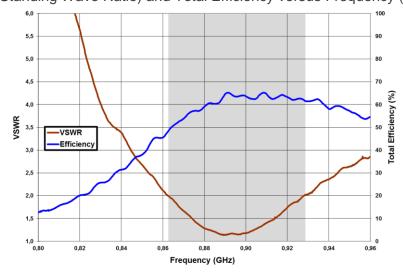
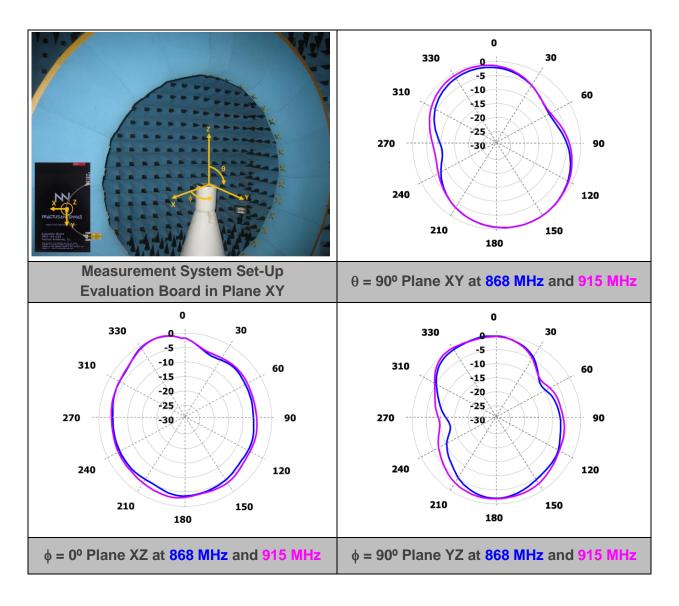


Figure 18 – VSWR and Total Efficiency for the 863 – 928 MHz from the evaluation board (Figure 16).

7.5. RADIATION PATTERNS (863-928 MHz), GAIN, AND EFFICIENCY



	Peak Gain	0.4 dBi
Gain	Average Gain across the band	-0.1 dBi
	Gain Range across the band (min, max)	-1.0 <-> 0.4 dBi
	Peak Efficiency	67.3 %
Efficiency	Average Efficiency across the band	61.2 %
	Efficiency Range across the band (min, max)	50.8 – 67.3 %

Table 12 – Antenna Gain and Total Efficiency from the evaluation board (Figure 16) within the 863 – 928 MHz frequency range. Measures made in the Satimo STARGATE 32 anechoic chamber.

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