

Mems variable capacitor device

What are the applications of variable MEMS capacitors and switches?

One of the applications of the variable MEMS capacitors and switches is the use of tunable resonators and filters to tune the resonance or central frequency, respectively. Hence, the combination of these MEMS components with a variety of transmission lines has been presented.

Can a variable MEMS capacitor be used in HMSIW structures?

To avoid the problems of integration and noise, a new variable MEMS capacitor is designed to use in the HMSIW structures, for the first time. Hence, two basic and specific designs are presented and the mechanical behaviour of them is analysed and simulated using the FEM.

What is the tuning range of a MEMS variable capacitor?

According to (10), the tuning range of the basic MEMS variable capacitor is 26% while this parameter for the proposed MEMS variable capacitor is 29%. Then, the proposed MEMS capacitor is placed on the HMSIW-CSRR resonator (see Figs. 2a and b).

Do MEMS based digital variable capacitors with multi-cantilevers and double-clamped beams increase capacitance?

Conclusions MEMS based digital variable capacitors with multi-cantilevers and double-clamped beams were analyzed and designed. By applying the bias voltage between two electrodes, an increased electrostatic force pulls-in the cantilever beams one by one, realizing a digital increase in capacitance.

What are MEMS based switches & capacitors?

The MEMS based switches (dc- and ac-modes) and capacitors are the most important components for RF applications. They have a mechanical structure that isolates the control circuit from the signal circuit, and a mechanical inertia that prevents modulation of the capacitance value by RF signal, and provides good linearity.

What is MEMS capacitive structure?

Devices based on MEMS capacitive structure have recently been considered in the microwave circuits particularly for the support of switching and tuning functions due to its low loss and high performance. The variable MEMS capacitor is the best alternative to the solid-state varactors.

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An RF MEMS variable capacitor, fabricated in the PolyMUMPS process and tuned electrostatically,

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possessing a linear capacitance-voltage response is reported. The measured quality factor of the device was 17 at 1 GHz, while the tuning range was 1.2:1 and was achieved at an actuation DC voltage of 8 V only. Further, the linear regression ...

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Variable capacitors can benefit from the microelectromechanical systems (MEMS) technology, to be equipped with attractive characteristics such as high quality factor and wide tuning range. One of the design goals for MEMS varactors has been to realize linear capacitance-voltage (C-V) characteristics, for which a design method is proposed in ...

This work presents a variable RF MEMS capacitor based on five cantilever shunt switches for the first time. Conceptually, the proposed varactor design comprises five identical cantilever shunt switches, which allow the creation of 32 discrete capacitance values ranging from 0.091 to 6.04 pF. The latter translates to a tuning range of around 67. The overall ...

tuning device improves the phase noise of the VCOs. This paper reports that the single-crystal silicon MEMS variable capacitor which can be linearly tunable have nominal capacitance of 1.4 pF and 10% tuning range at 8 V. To predict the frequency response of the VCOs that the proposed capacitor will be applied to, the capacitor model is also

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Figure 1 shows three-dimensional and top view of the variable capacitor using a novel nonplanar bridge structure suspended by four torsion beams, which are mechanically anchored on the substrate. The device can be divided into two parts: a plate capacitor and two electrostatic torsion micro-actuators. The plate capacitor

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structure consists of a central and ...

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