

Inductance Calculation of Different Shapes

This sheet is used to design planar spiral inductors used on RFICs.

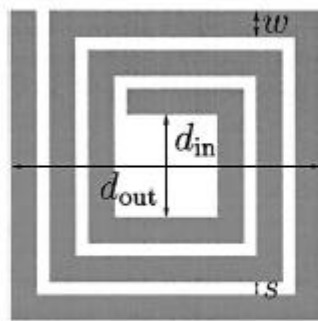
The expressions are from this paper in the IEEE Journal of Solid State Circuits, 10th October 1999, pages 1419-1424. Paper attached. This paper presents several equations, two are calculated here, a **modified Wheeler**, and a **Current Sheet Approximation**. These are calculated here for the two common planar inductor types.

The main advantage of this is a starting point for a field solver. I was expecting these to be more accurate, not sure why this is. I am very sure d_{in} is ok. Still a useful sheet.

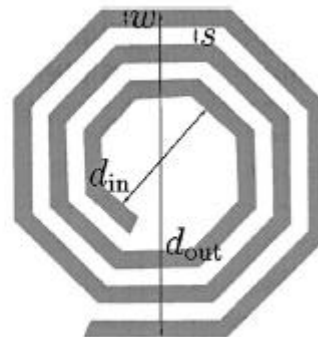


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The range of d_{out} is from 100 to 480 μ m; w is from 2 to $0.3 \cdot d_{out}$; s is from 2 μ m to $3 \cdot w$; d_{in} is from 0.1 to $0.9 \cdot d_{out}$. Total inductance from 0.5 to 100nH

$$\mu\text{m} := \frac{\text{m}}{10^6}$$

$$\mu_0 := 4 \cdot \pi \cdot 10^{-7} \cdot \frac{\text{newton}}{\text{amp}^2}$$

$$\text{nH} := \frac{\text{H}}{10^9}$$

$$\text{mOhm} := \frac{\text{ohm}}{10^3}$$

$$\text{freq} := 1 \times 10^9 \cdot \text{Hz}$$

$$\text{resistivity} := 10 \cdot \text{mOhm}$$

$$d_{in}(d_{out}, n, w, s) := d_{out} - 2 \cdot w - \text{halfturn}(n) \cdot (w + s)$$

$$\text{halfturn}(n) := \text{floor}[2(n - 0.25)] - 1$$

$$d_{avg}(d_{out}, n, w, s) := \frac{d_{in}(d_{out}, n, w, s) + d_{out}}{2}$$

$$d_{in}(11\mu\text{m}, 2.25, 1\mu\text{m}, 1\mu\text{m}) = 3\mu\text{m}$$

$$d_{in}(300\mu\text{m}, 2.25, 20\mu\text{m}, 10\mu\text{m}) = 170\mu\text{m}$$

$$\rho(d_{out}, n, w, s) := \frac{d_{out} - d_{in}(d_{out}, n, w, s)}{d_{out} + d_{in}(d_{out}, n, w, s)}$$

$$\rho(321\mu\text{m}, 3.75, 16.5\mu\text{m}, 1.9\mu\text{m}) = 0.288$$

Calculation of Approximate Resistance

$$\text{resistance}(d_{out}, n, w, s) := \frac{d_{avg}(d_{out}, n, w, s) \cdot \pi \cdot \text{resistivity}}{w}$$

The resistance is calculated simply as the average circumference * n * resistivity. This is very crude and ignores corner affects, but will try to allow Q to be plotted.... (it fails).

$$\text{resistance}(339\mu\text{m}, 3.75, 10\mu\text{m}, 1.9\mu\text{m}) = 0.921 \text{ ohm}$$

Square inductor (a) Calculation

$$K_{a1} := 2.34 \quad K_{a2} := 2.75 \quad L_{smw}(d_{out}, n, w, s) := K_{a1} \cdot \mu_0 \cdot \frac{n^2 d_{avg}(d_{out}, n, w, s)}{1 + K_{a2} \cdot \rho(d_{out}, n, w, s)}$$

$$L_{smw}(321\mu m, 3.75, 16.5\mu m, 1.9\mu m) = 5.76 \text{ nH} \quad \#10, \text{ measured } 6.1\text{ nH}$$

$$L_{smw}(339\mu m, 5.75, 10\mu m, 1.9\mu m) = 15.33 \text{ nH} \quad \#15, \text{ measured } 16.2\text{ nH}$$

$$L_{smw}(400\mu m, 3.75, 31.6\mu m, 1.9\mu m) = 4.7 \text{ nH} \quad \#14, \text{ measured } 4.9\text{ nH}$$

$$C_{a1} := 1.27 \quad C_{a2} := 2.07 \quad C_{a3} := 0.18 \quad C_{a4} := 0.13$$

$$L_{scsa}(d_{out}, n, w, s) := \frac{\mu_0 \cdot n^2 \cdot d_{avg}(d_{out}, n, w, s) C_{a1}}{2} \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{C_{a2}}{\rho(d_{out}, n, w, s)} \right) + C_{a3} \cdot \rho(d_{out}, n, w, s) + C_{a4} \cdot \rho(d_{out}, n, w, s)^2 \right)$$

$$L_{scsa}(321\mu m, 3.75, 16.5\mu m, 1.9\mu m) = 5.7 \text{ nH} \quad \#10, \text{ measured } 6.1\text{ nH}$$

$$L_{scsa}(339\mu m, 5.75, 10\mu m, 1.9\mu m) = 15.2 \text{ nH} \quad \#15, \text{ measured } 16.2\text{ nH}$$

$$L_{scsa}(400\mu m, 3.75, 31.6\mu m, 1.9\mu m) = 4.67 \text{ nH} \quad \#14, \text{ measured } 4.9\text{ nH}$$

Hexagon inductor (c) Calculation

$$K_{c1} := 2.33 \quad K_{c2} := 3.82 \quad L_{hmw}(d_{out}, n, w, s) := K_{c1} \cdot \mu_0 \cdot \frac{n^2 d_{avg}(d_{out}, n, w, s)}{1 + K_{c2} \cdot \rho(d_{out}, n, w, s)}$$

$$L_{hmw}(346\mu m, 4, 18\mu m, 2\mu m) = 5.95 \text{ nH} \quad \#55, \text{ measured } 7.5\text{ nH}$$

$$L_{hmw}(326\mu m, 5, 8\mu m, 12\mu m) = 7.22 \text{ nH} \quad \#58, \text{ measured } 7.2\text{ nH}$$

$$C_{c1} := 1.09 \quad C_{c2} := 2.23 \quad C_{c3} := 0.0 \quad C_{c4} := 0.17$$

$$L_{hcsa}(d_{out}, n, w, s) := \frac{\mu_0 \cdot n^2 \cdot d_{avg}(d_{out}, n, w, s) C_{c1}}{2} \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{C_{c2}}{\rho(d_{out}, n, w, s)} \right) + C_{c3} \cdot \rho(d_{out}, n, w, s) + C_{c4} \cdot \rho(d_{out}, n, w, s)^2 \right)$$

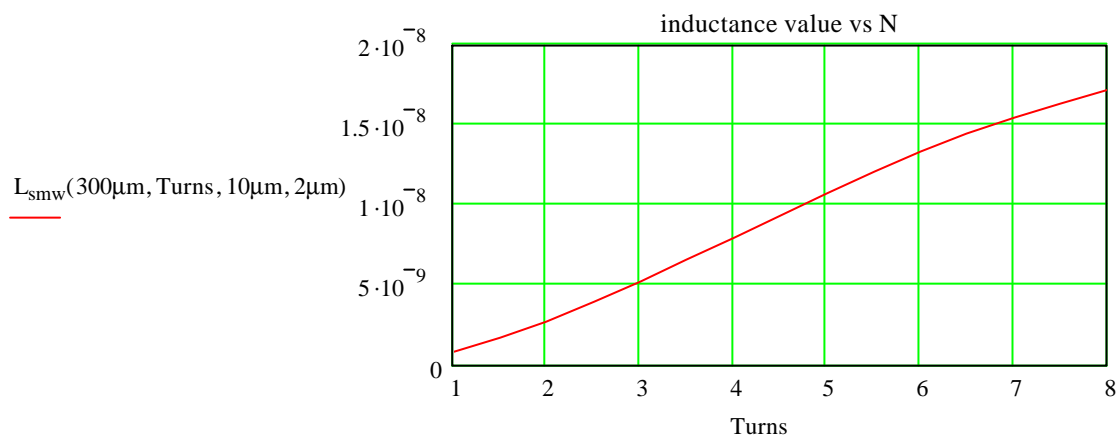
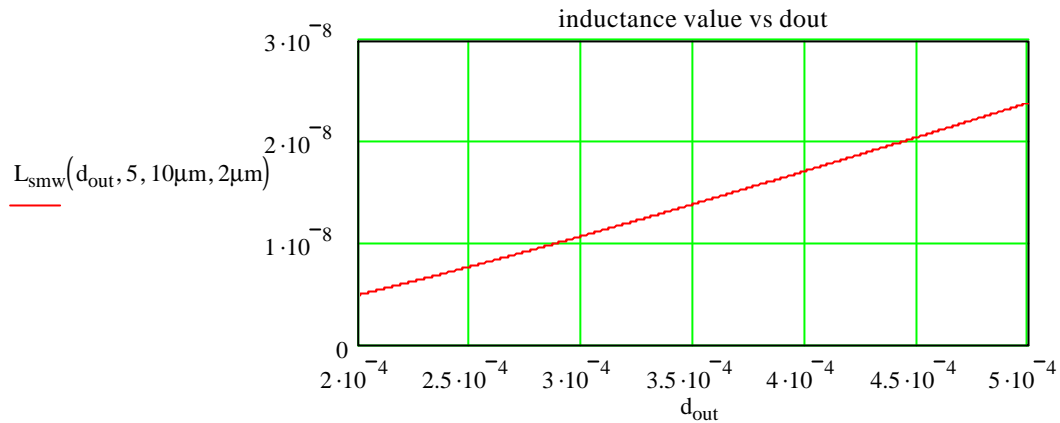
$$L_{hcsa}(346\mu m, 4, 18\mu m, 2\mu m) = 6.02 \text{ nH} \quad \#55, \text{ measured } 7.5\text{ nH}$$

$$L_{hcsa}(326\mu m, 5, 8\mu m, 12\mu m) = 7.42 \text{ nH} \quad \#58, \text{ measured } 7.2\text{ nH}$$

Plots of Square inductor

Turns := 1, 1.5.. 8

The inductance varies more or less linearly with outside diameter and turns



The Q is clearly not correct, and it should be about 20. This is because the conducted losses are only part of the story (a small part) and the induced losses into the substrate are more important. To be updated.

