

Capacitive Sensing, Communications and Identification Tags: Toward Printable Ubiquitous IoT



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Motivations

- ❖ **Massive Sensing and Actuation:**
 - Massive and ubiquitous Smart space and IoT;
 - From dumb things to smart sensors;
 - From visible wearable circuit based sensors to invisible ubiquitous printable sensors;
- ❖ **Invisible Interactions and Identifications:**
 - Harvest invisible everyday surface and objects;
 - Identify & differentiate ubiquitous touches;
- ❖ **Ubiquitous Communications:**
 - Invisible tagging for object sensing and human-machine-object communications;

Requirements

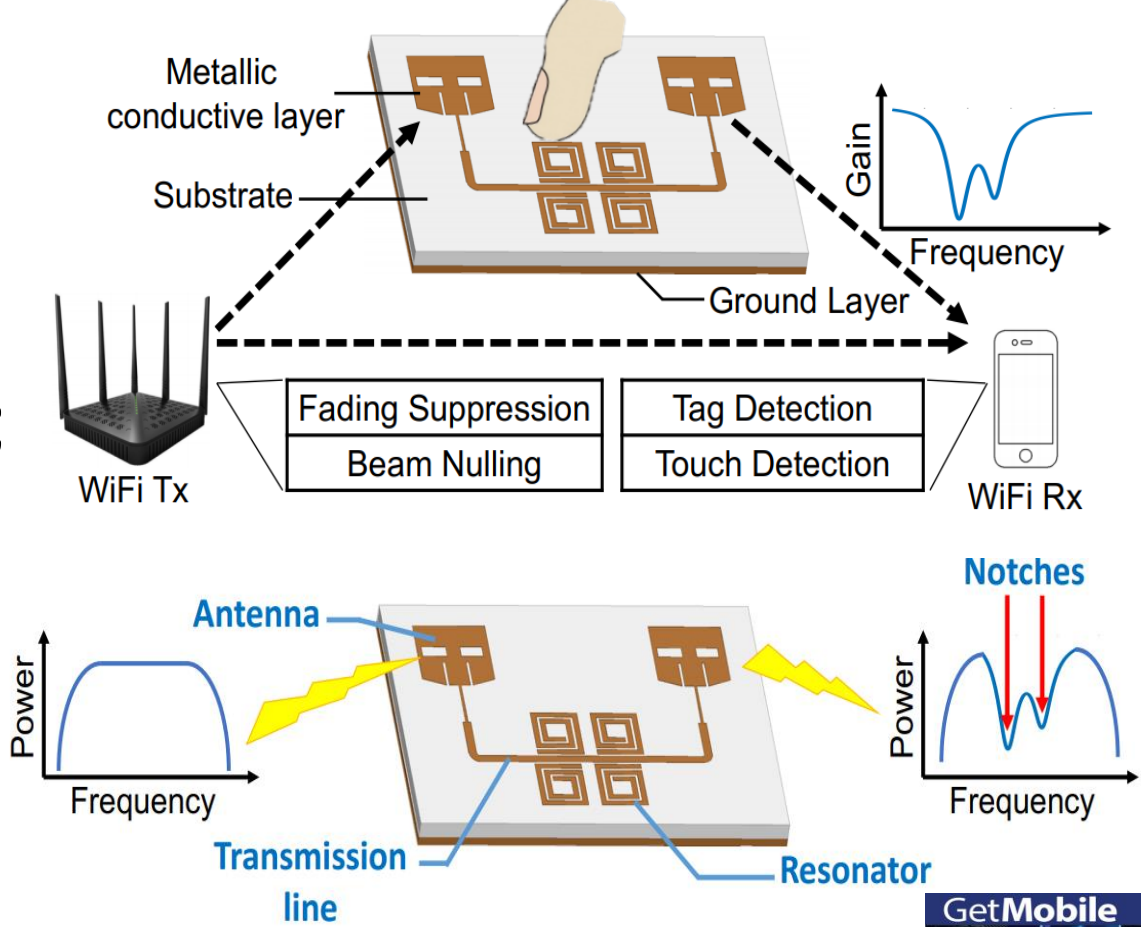
- ❖ **Low Cost & Ease of Manufacture:**
 - Can they be manufactured and *printed* by anyone at anytime, anywhere massively by anyone with basic office skills?
- ❖ **Flexible and Invisible:**
 - Can they be *transformed* to any sensor as needed?
 - Can they be *attached* at any object ubiquitously?



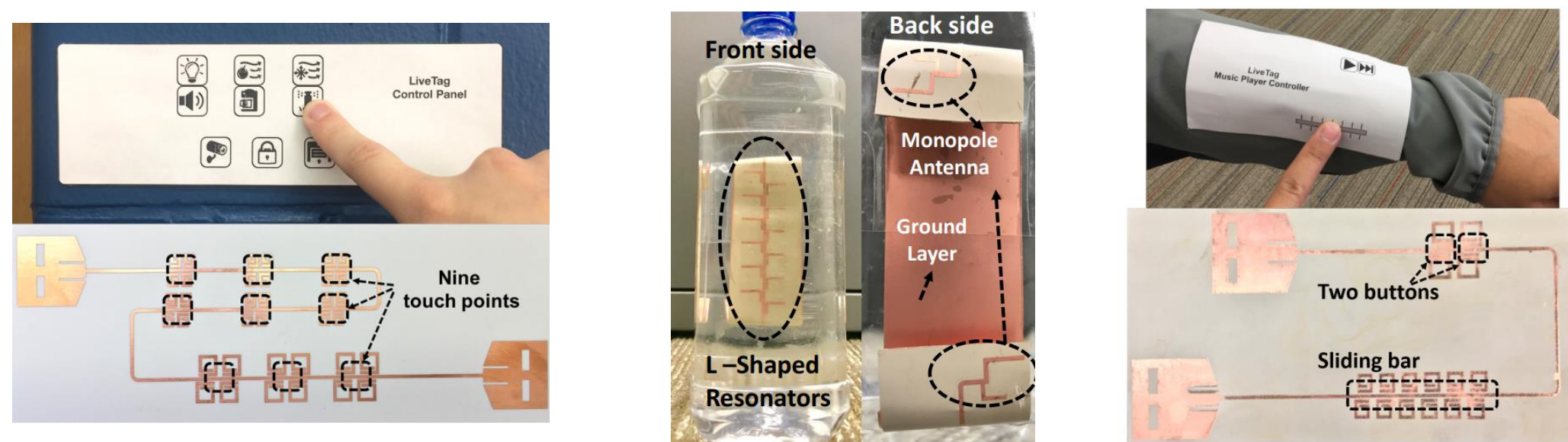
Preliminary Work

❖ LiveTags: Interaction Detections with WiFi!!!

- Identify and differentiate touches through off-the-shelf WiFi;
- Attach intelligence to everyday dumb objects;



❖ A Wide Variety of Applications:

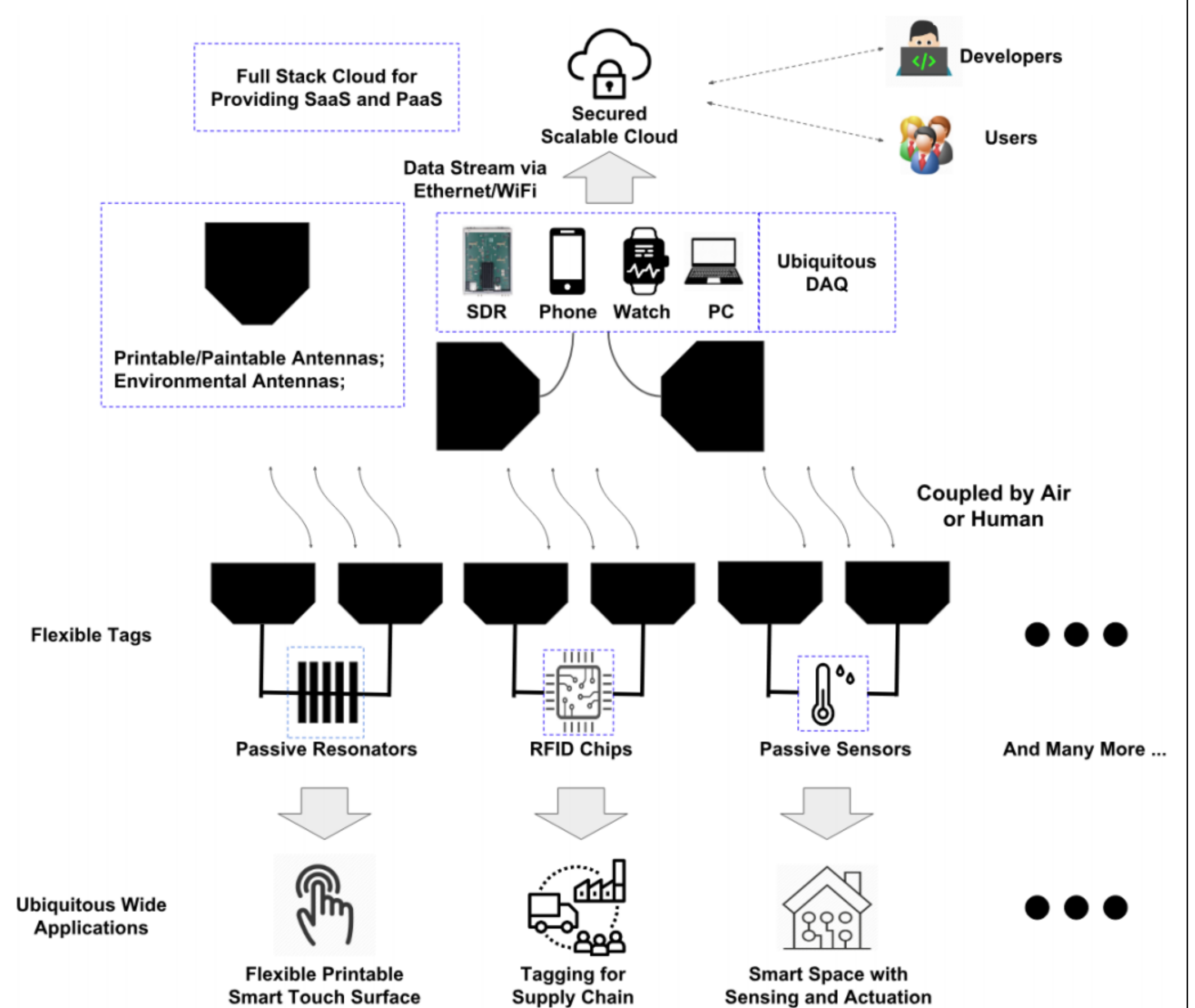


Buttons

Water Level Detector

Slider

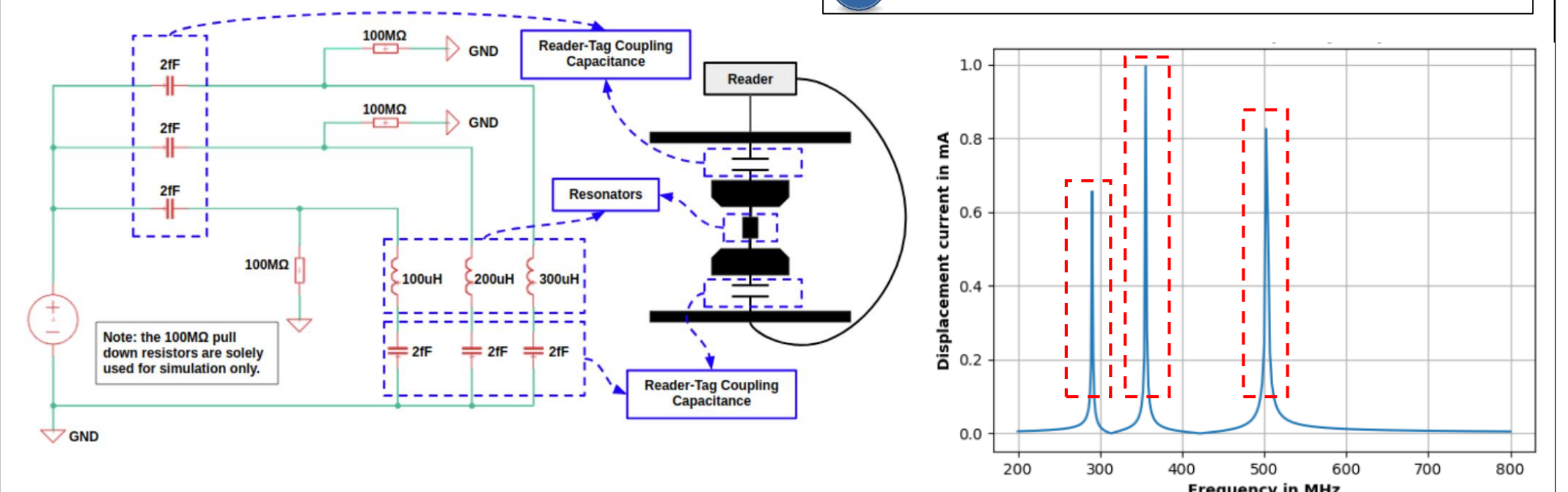
Toward Printable IoTs



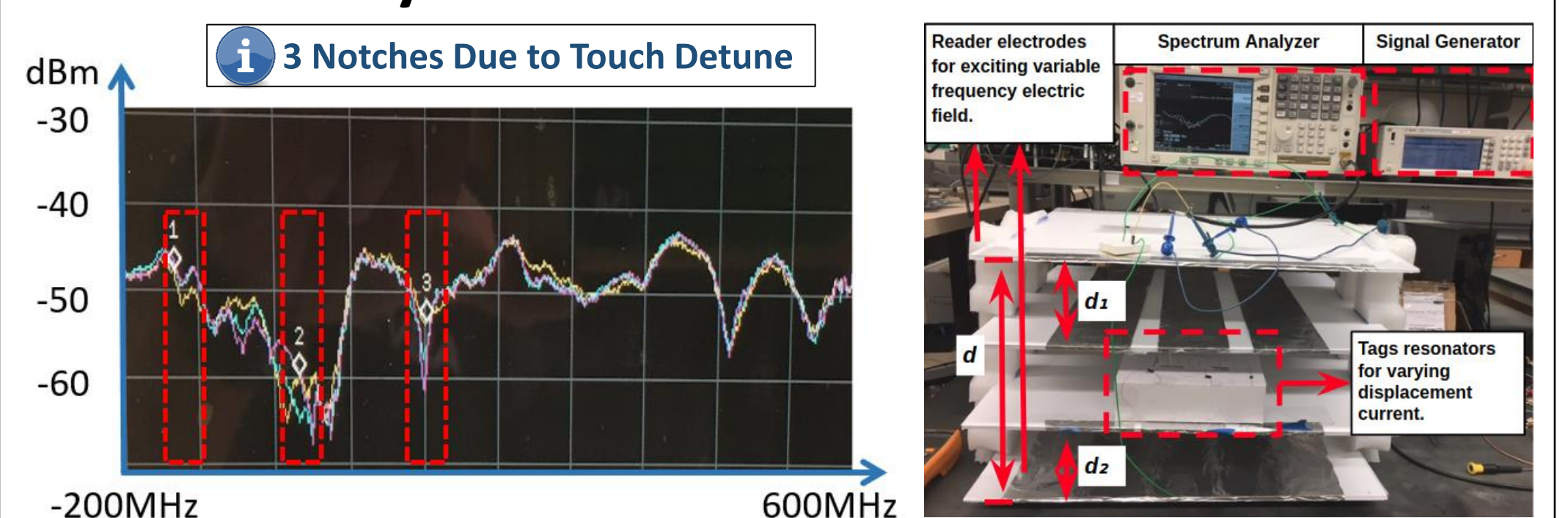
- ✓ **Flexible:** Design & make sensors as LEGO-bot;
- ✓ **Printable:** Fabricate sensors at anywhere, anytime by anyone without professional skills!
- ✓ **Interconnectable:** Full-stack secure systems for robust printable IoT ecosystems;

Feasibility Study

❖ SPICE Simulations



❖ Laboratory Measurements



Continue Works

- ❖ Evaluations of Sensing Modalities;
- ❖ Sensing System Design and Prototyping;
- ❖ Interconnectivity: Toward Ubiquitous Invisible Printable IoT;



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