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ARRAY

PURPOSE-BUILT SOFTWARE FOR DESIGN AND ANALYSIS OF PHASED ARRAY ANTENNAS: FAST FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS OF LARGE ARRAYS, BUILT-IN BEAMFORMING, AND DEDICATED INTERFACE FOR IMMEDIATE PERFORMANCE FEEDBACK.

Unified Design Workflow for Modern Arrays

Modern phased-array antennas are central to next-generation radar, satellite, and communication systems. They must deliver precision, speed, and reliability, often under demanding mission conditions. From multilayer PCB designs to general 3D elements, each array must meet tight performance requirements while minimising development time and testing effort.

ARRAY is engineered to meet these challenges. It provides fast, full-wave analysis and built-in optimisation within one unified framework — enabling engineers to explore design trade-offs, validate and optimise array performance, and accelerate system-level development with confidence.

Performance Example:

20 x 20 element tapered waveguide array analysed at X-band. *Simulated using FDS in 24 minutes using 8,4 GB RAM on an Intel Core i9-13900K.*
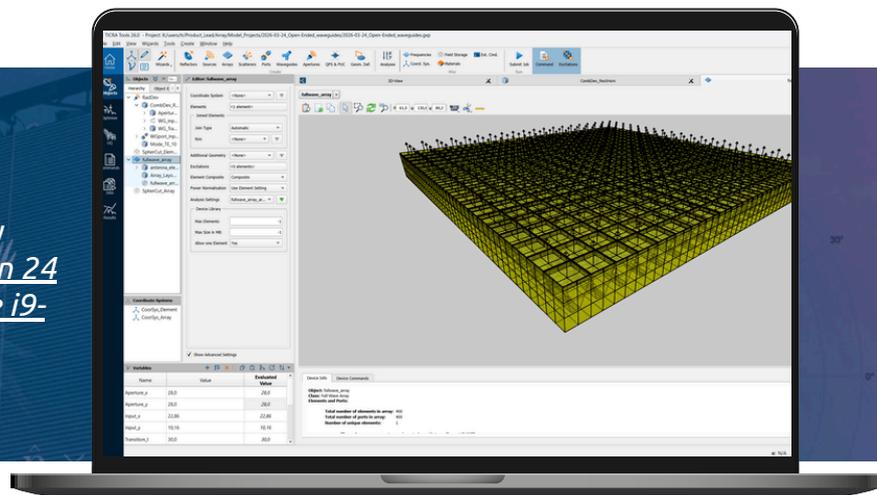
SCALABLE ENVIRONMENT FOR ADVANCED ARRAY DESIGN

Product capabilities

- Simulate large arrays using reduced computational resources.
- Analyse elements in stand-alone or infinite-array configurations.
- Perform beamforming and optimise on both element and array level.
- Easily switch between analytical and full-wave analysis.
- Use the Array Liveplot for fast synthesis and instant feedback.

Key technical highlights

- Define arrays with multiple element types and unlimited layout freedom.
- Model advanced geometries, including multilayer PCB and horn arrays.
- Reduce physical testing requirements with accurate full-wave prediction.
- Shorten system-level simulation time through integration with other products in TICRA Tools.

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Technical highlights

ARRAY provides advanced full-wave and analytical capabilities for efficient, high-fidelity analysis of complex array structures. Each feature is designed to combine speed, accuracy, and flexibility from the concept stage to final validation.

Design and modelling

- Library of predefined element types: Get started quickly with a library of easy-to-customise elements and wizards.
- Parametric CAD editor: Build and modify 3D geometries with complete parametric control.
- Supports horn, single- and multilayer PCB, and general 3D elements with full control over array configuration.
- Array layouts: Use the predefined rectangular and circular layouts or individually define the position and orientation for each element, allowing full flexibility to also set up 3D.
- Infinite and analytical array modelling: Ideal for trade-offs, synthesis, and feasibility studies.
- Array Liveplot for fast synthesis and immediate feedback on performance.

Analysis and optimisation

- Full-wave simulation using Fast Direct Solver (FDS): Efficient analysis of large arrays with high numerical precision.
- Optimised solvers: Dedicated capabilities for multilayered PCBs and radomes.
- Horn array analysis: Accurate prediction of performance and coupling effects when combined with CHAMP 3D.
- Optimisation: Built-in routines for beamforming and optimisation of geometry to meet both pattern and scattering-parameter goals.

Integration with TICRA Tools

ARRAY integrates seamlessly with TICRA's portfolio for complete antenna-system simulation.

Combine ARRAY with GRASP for array-fed reflectors, CHAMP 3D for detailed feed-chain and horn array analysis, and ESTEAM for installed performance. The result is a unified, consistent workflow — from element definition to system-level optimisation.
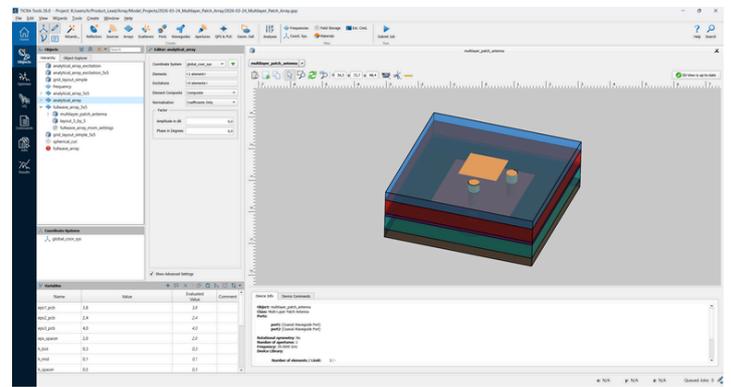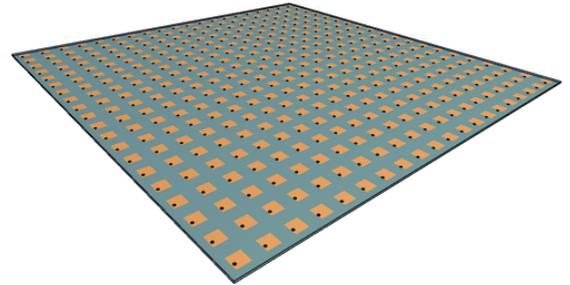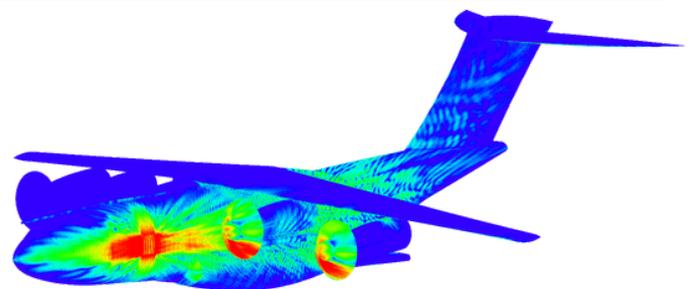

Multi-layer patch: The element wizard makes it easy to set up single- or multilayer patches.

Patch array: 20 x 20 element S-band SAR patch array. Modelled using FDS in 24 minutes using 8,4 GB RAM on an Intel Core i9-13900K.
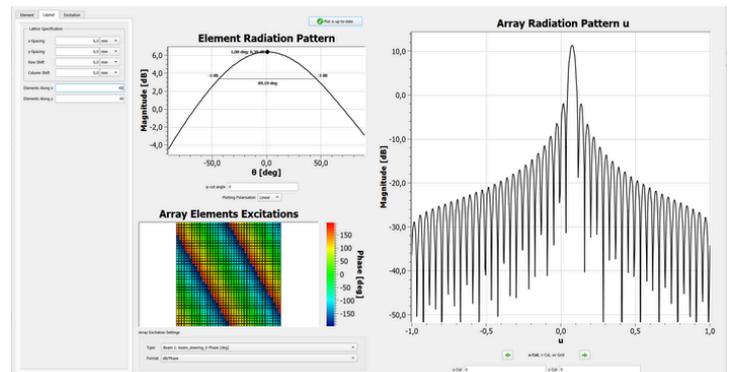
Array Liveplot: Use it to perform quick system-level analyses with instant feedback.

Installed performance: 20 x 20 element S-band SAR array mounted on Airbus A400M. Time: 51 min. RAM: 92 GB on an Intel Core i9-13900K.

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Advance your array design capabilities.
Discover how ARRAY enables accurate, scalable, and unified simulation workflows.

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