

Chapter 9

Sections 9-1 and 9-2: Short Dipole and Antenna Radiation Characteristics

Problem 9.1 A center-fed Hertzian dipole is excited by a current $I_0 = 10$ A. If the dipole is $\lambda/50$ in length, determine the maximum radiated power density at a distance of 1 km.

Solution: From Eq. (9.14), the maximum power density radiated by a Hertzian dipole is given by

$$\begin{aligned} S_0 &= \frac{\eta_0 k^2 I_0^2 l^2}{32\pi^2 R^2} = \frac{377 \times (2\pi/\lambda)^2 \times 10^2 \times (\lambda/50)^2}{32\pi^2 (10^3)^2} \\ &= 1.9 \times 10^{-6} \text{ W/m}^2 = 1.9 \text{ } (\mu\text{W/m}^2). \end{aligned}$$

Problem 9.2 A 1-m-long dipole is excited by a 1-MHz current with an amplitude of 12 A. What is the average power density radiated by the dipole at a distance of 5 km in a direction that is 30° from the dipole axis?

Solution: At 1 MHz, $\lambda = c/f = 3 \times 10^8 / 10^6 = 300$ m. Hence $l/\lambda = 1/300$, and therefore the antenna is a Hertzian dipole. From Eq. (9.12),

$$\begin{aligned} S(R, \theta) &= \left(\frac{\eta_0 k^2 I_0^2 l^2}{32\pi^2 R^2} \right) \sin^2 \theta \\ &= \frac{120\pi \times (2\pi/300)^2 \times 12^2 \times 1^2}{32\pi^2 \times (5 \times 10^3)^2} \sin^2 30^\circ = 7.54 \times 10^{-10} \text{ (W/m}^2\text{)}. \end{aligned}$$

Problem 9.3 Determine the (a) direction of maximum radiation, (b) directivity, (c) beam solid angle, and (d) half-power beamwidth in the x - z plane for an antenna whose normalized radiation intensity is given by

$$F(\theta, \phi) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } 0 \leq \theta \leq 60^\circ \text{ and } 0 \leq \phi \leq 2\pi, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

Suggestion: Sketch the pattern prior to calculating the desired quantities.

Solution: The direction of maximum radiation is a circular cone 120° wide centered around the $+\hat{z}$ -axis. From Eq. (9.23),

$$D = \frac{4\pi}{\iint_{4\pi} F d\Omega} = \frac{4\pi}{\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{60^\circ} \sin \theta d\theta d\phi} = \frac{4\pi}{2\pi(-\cos \theta)|_0^{60^\circ}} = \frac{2}{-\frac{1}{2} + 1} = 4 = 6 \text{ dB},$$

$$\Omega_p = \frac{4\pi \text{ sr}}{D} = \frac{4\pi \text{ sr}}{4} = \pi \text{ (sr)}.$$

The half power beamwidth is $\beta = 120^\circ$.

Problem 9.4 Repeat Problem 9.3 for an antenna with

$$F(\theta, \phi) = \begin{cases} \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi, & \text{for } 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi \text{ and } -\pi/2 \leq \phi \leq \pi/2, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

Solution: The direction of maximum radiation is the $+\hat{x}$ -axis (where $\theta = \pi/2$ and $\phi = 0$). From Eq. (9.23),

$$\begin{aligned} D &= \frac{4\pi}{\iint_{4\pi} F d\Omega} \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \int_0^\pi \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi \sin \theta d\theta d\phi} \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \cos^2 \phi d\phi \int_0^\pi \sin^3 \theta d\theta} \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos 2\phi) d\phi \int_{-1}^1 (1 - x^2) dx} \\ &= \frac{4\pi}{\frac{1}{2}(\phi + \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\phi) \Big|_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} (x - x^3/3) \Big|_{-1}^1} = \frac{4\pi}{\frac{1}{2}\pi(4/3)} = 6 = 7.8 \text{ dB}, \\ \Omega_p &= \frac{4\pi \text{ sr}}{D} = \frac{4\pi \text{ sr}}{6} = \frac{2}{3}\pi \text{ (sr)}. \end{aligned}$$

In the x - z plane, $\phi = 0$ and the half power beamwidth is 90° , since $\sin^2(45^\circ) = \sin^2(135^\circ) = \frac{1}{2}$.

Problem 9.5 A 2-m-long center-fed dipole antenna operates in the AM broadcast band at 1 MHz. The dipole is made of copper wire with a radius of 1 mm.

- Determine the radiation efficiency of the antenna.
- What is the antenna gain in dB?
- What antenna current is required so that the antenna would radiate 20 W, and how much power will the generator have to supply to the antenna?

Solution:

(a) Following Example 9-3, $\lambda = c/f = (3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})/(10^6 \text{ Hz}) = 300 \text{ m}$. As $l/\lambda = (2 \text{ m})/(300 \text{ m}) = 6.7 \times 10^{-3}$, this antenna is a short (Hertzian) dipole. Thus, from respectively Eqs. (9.35), (9.32), and (9.31),

$$R_{\text{rad}} = 80\pi^2 \left(\frac{l}{\lambda}\right)^2 = 80\pi^2 (6.7 \times 10^{-3})^2 = 35 \text{ (m}\Omega\text{)},$$

$$R_{\text{loss}} = \frac{l}{2\pi a} \sqrt{\frac{\pi f \mu_c}{\sigma_c}} = \frac{2 \text{ m}}{2\pi(10^{-3} \text{ m})} \sqrt{\frac{\pi(10^6 \text{ Hz})(4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/m})}{5.8 \times 10^7 \text{ S/m}}} = 83 \text{ (m}\Omega\text{)},$$

$$\xi = \frac{R_{\text{rad}}}{R_{\text{rad}} + R_{\text{loss}}} = \frac{35 \text{ m}\Omega}{35 \text{ m}\Omega + 83 \text{ m}\Omega} = 29.7\%.$$

(b) From Example 9-2, a Hertzian dipole has a directivity of 1.5. The gain, from Eq. (9.29), is $G = \xi D = 0.297 \times 1.5 = 0.44 = -3.5 \text{ dB}$.

(c) From Eq. (9.30a),

$$I_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2P_{\text{rad}}}{R_{\text{rad}}}} = \sqrt{\frac{2(20 \text{ W})}{35 \text{ m}\Omega}} = 33.8 \text{ A}$$

and from Eq. (9.31),

$$P_t = \frac{P_{\text{rad}}}{\xi} = \frac{20 \text{ W}}{0.297} = 67.3 \text{ W}.$$

Problem 9.6 Repeat Problem 9.5 for a 20-cm-long antenna operating at 5 MHz.

Solution:

(a) At 5 MHz, $\lambda = c/f = 3 \times 10^8 / (5 \times 10^6) = 60 \text{ m}$. As $l/\lambda = 0.2/60 = 3.33 \times 10^{-3}$, the antenna length satisfies the condition of a short dipole. From Eqs. (9.35), (9.32), and (9.31),

$$R_{\text{rad}} = 80\pi^2 \left(\frac{l}{\lambda}\right)^2 = 80\pi^2 \times (3.33 \times 10^{-3})^2 = 8.76 \text{ (m}\Omega\text{)},$$

$$R_{\text{loss}} = \frac{l}{2\pi a} \sqrt{\frac{\pi f \mu_c}{\sigma_c}} = \frac{0.2}{2\pi \times 10^{-3}} \sqrt{\frac{\pi \times 5 \times 10^6 \times 4\pi \times 10^{-7}}{5.8 \times 10^7}} = 18.57 \text{ (m}\Omega\text{)},$$

$$\xi = \frac{R_{\text{rad}}}{R_{\text{rad}} + R_{\text{loss}}} = \frac{8.76}{8.76 + 18.57} = 0.32, \text{ or } 32\%.$$

(b) For Hertzian dipole, $D = 1.5$, and $G = \xi D = 0.32 \times 1.5 = 0.48 = -3.2 \text{ dB}$.

(c) From Eq. (9.30a),

$$I_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2P_{\text{rad}}}{R_{\text{rad}}}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 20}{8.76 \times 10^{-3}}} = 67.6 \text{ A}.$$

Problem 9.7 An antenna with a pattern solid angle of 1.5 (sr) radiates 30 W of power. At a range of 1 km, what is the maximum power density radiated by the antenna?

Solution: From Eq. (9.23), $D = 4\pi/\Omega_p$, and from Eq. (9.24), $D = 4\pi R^2 S_{\max}/P_{\text{rad}}$. Combining these two equations gives

$$S_{\max} = \frac{P_{\text{rad}}}{\Omega_p R^2} = \frac{30}{1.5 \times (10^3)^2} = 2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ (W/m}^2\text{)}.$$

Problem 9.8 An antenna with a radiation efficiency of 90% has a directivity of 6.7 dB. What is its gain in dB?

Solution: $D = 6.7$ dB corresponds to $D = 4.68$.

$$G = \xi D = 0.9 \times 4.68 = 4.21 = 6.24 \text{ dB}.$$

Alternatively,

$$G \text{ (dB)} = \xi \text{ (dB)} + D \text{ (dB)} = 10 \log 0.9 + 6.7 = -0.46 + 6.7 = 6.24 \text{ dB}.$$

Problem 9.9 The radiation pattern of a circular parabolic-reflector antenna consists of a circular major lobe with a half-power beamwidth of 2° and a few minor lobes. Ignoring the minor lobes, obtain an estimate for the antenna directivity in dB.

Solution: A circular lobe means that $\beta_{xz} = \beta_{yz} = 2^\circ = 0.035$ rad. Using Eq. (9.26), we have

$$D = \frac{4\pi}{\beta_{xz}\beta_{yz}} = \frac{4\pi}{(0.035)^2} = 1.03 \times 10^4.$$

In dB,

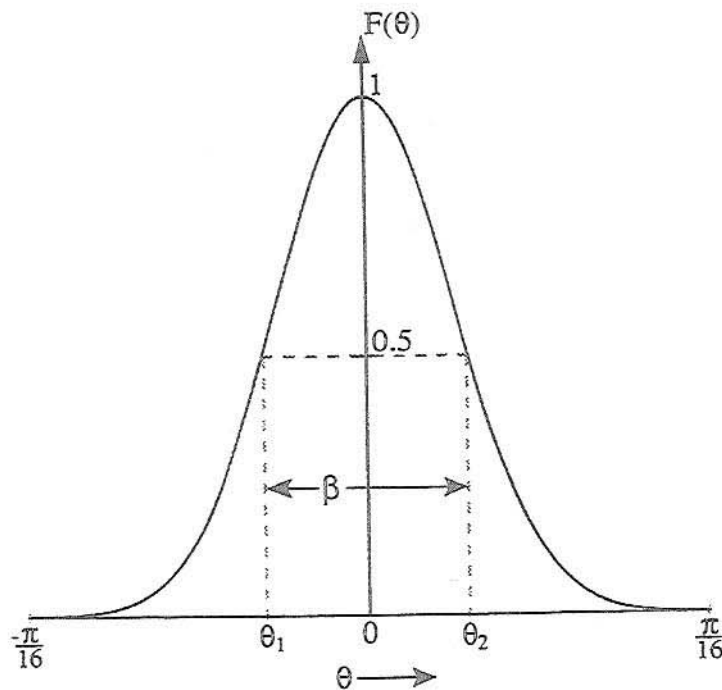
$$D \text{ (dB)} = 10 \log D = 10 \log(1.03 \times 10^4) = 40.13 \text{ dB}.$$

Problem 9.10 The normalized radiation intensity of a certain antenna is given by

$$F(\theta) = \exp(-20\theta^2) \quad \text{for } 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi,$$

where θ is in radians. Determine:

- (a) the half-power beamwidth,
- (b) the pattern solid angle.

Figure P9.10: $F(\theta)$ versus θ .

(c) the antenna directivity.

Solution:

(a) Since $F(\theta)$ is independent of ϕ , the beam is symmetrical about $z = 0$. Upon setting $F(\theta) = 0.5$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} F(\theta) &= \exp(-20\theta^2) = 0.5, \\ \ln[\exp(-20\theta^2)] &= \ln(0.5), \\ 20\theta^2 &= -0.693, \\ \theta &= \pm \left(\frac{0.693}{20} \right)^{1/2} = \pm 0.186 \text{ radians.} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\beta = 2 \times 0.186 = 0.372 \text{ radians} = 21.31^\circ$.

(b) By Eq. (9.21),

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega_p &= \iint_{4\pi} F(\theta) \sin\theta \, d\theta \, d\phi \\ &= \int_{\phi=0}^{2\pi} \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi} \exp(-20\theta^2) \sin\theta \, d\theta \, d\phi \\ &= 2\pi \int_0^{\pi} \exp(-20\theta^2) \sin\theta \, d\theta.\end{aligned}$$

Numerical evaluation yields

$$\Omega_p = 0.156 \text{ sr.}$$

(c)

$$D = \frac{4\pi}{\Omega_p} = \frac{4\pi}{0.156} = 80.55.$$

Sections 9-3 and 9-4: Dipole Antennas

Problem 9.11 Repeat Problem 9.5 for a 1-m-long half-wave dipole that operates in the FM/TV broadcast band at 150 MHz.

Solution:

(a) Following Example 9-3,

$$\lambda = c/f = (3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}) / (150 \times 10^6 \text{ Hz}) = 2 \text{ m.}$$

As $l/\lambda = (1 \text{ m})/(2 \text{ m}) = \frac{1}{2}$, this antenna is a half-wave dipole. Thus, from Eq. (9.48), (9.32), and (9.31),

$$R_{\text{rad}} = 73 \, \Omega,$$

$$R_{\text{loss}} = \frac{l}{2\pi a} \sqrt{\frac{\pi f \mu_c}{\sigma_c}} = \frac{1 \text{ m}}{2\pi(10^{-3} \text{ m})} \sqrt{\frac{\pi(150 \times 10^6 \text{ Hz})(4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/m})}{5.8 \times 10^7 \text{ S/m}}} = 0.5 \, \Omega,$$

$$\xi = \frac{R_{\text{rad}}}{R_{\text{rad}} + R_{\text{loss}}} = \frac{73 \, \Omega}{73 \, \Omega + 0.5 \, \Omega} = 99.3\%.$$

(b) From Eq. (9.47), a half-wave dipole has a directivity of 1.64. The gain, from Eq. (9.29), is $G = \xi D = 0.993 \times 1.64 = 1.63 = 2.1 \text{ dB}$.

(c) From Eq. (9.30a),

$$I_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2P_{\text{rad}}}{R_{\text{rad}}}} = \sqrt{\frac{2(20 \text{ W})}{73 \, \Omega}} = 0.74 \text{ A,}$$

and from Eq. (9.31),

$$P_t = \frac{P_{\text{rad}}}{\xi} = \frac{20 \text{ W}}{0.993} = 20.1 \text{ W}.$$

Problem 9.12 Assuming the loss resistance of a half-wave dipole antenna to be negligibly small and ignoring the reactance component of its antenna impedance, calculate the standing wave ratio on a 60- Ω transmission line connected to the dipole antenna.

Solution: According to Eq. (9.48), a half wave dipole has a radiation resistance of 73 Ω . To the transmission line, this behaves as a load, so the reflection coefficient is

$$\Gamma = \frac{R_{\text{rad}} - Z_0}{R_{\text{rad}} + Z_0} = \frac{73 \Omega - 60 \Omega}{73 \Omega + 60 \Omega} = 0.098,$$

and the standing wave ratio is

$$S = \frac{1 + |\Gamma|}{1 - |\Gamma|} = \frac{1 + 0.098}{1 - 0.098} = 1.22.$$

Problem 9.13 For the short dipole with length l such that $l \ll \lambda$, instead of treating the current $\tilde{I}(z)$ as constant along the dipole, as was done in Section 9-1, a more realistic approximation that insures that the current goes to zero at the ends is to describe $\tilde{I}(z)$ by the triangular function

$$\tilde{I}(z) = \begin{cases} I_0(1 - 2z/l), & \text{for } 0 \leq z \leq l/2, \\ I_0(1 + 2z/l), & \text{for } -l/2 \leq z \leq 0, \end{cases}$$

as shown in Fig. 9-36 (P9.13). Use this current distribution to determine (a) the far-field $\tilde{E}(R, \theta, \phi)$, (b) the power density $S(R, \theta, \phi)$, (c) the directivity D , and (d) the radiation resistance R_{rad} .

Solution:

(a) When the current along the dipole was assumed to be constant and equal to I_0 , the vector potential was given by Eq. (9.3) as:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}}(R) = \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left(\frac{e^{-jkR}}{R} \right) \int_{-l/2}^{l/2} I_0 dz.$$

If the triangular current function is assumed instead, then I_0 in the above expression should be replaced with the given expression. Hence,

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left(\frac{e^{-jkR}}{R} \right) I_0 \left[\int_0^{l/2} \left(1 - \frac{2z}{l} \right) dz + \int_{-l/2}^0 \left(1 + \frac{2z}{l} \right) dz \right] = \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{\mu_0 I_0 l}{8\pi} \left(\frac{e^{-jkR}}{R} \right),$$

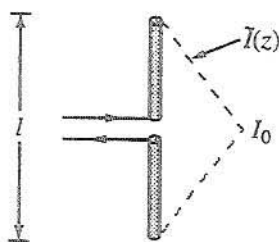


Figure P9.13: Triangular current distribution on a short dipole (Problem 9.13).

which is half that obtained for the constant-current case given by Eq. (9.3). Hence, the expression given by (9.9a) need only be modified by the factor of $1/2$:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}} = \hat{\theta} \tilde{E}_\theta = \hat{\theta} \frac{jI_0 l k \eta_0}{8\pi} \left(\frac{e^{-jkR}}{R} \right) \sin \theta.$$

(b) The corresponding power density is

$$S(R, \theta) = \frac{|\tilde{E}_\theta|^2}{2\eta_0} = \left(\frac{\eta_0 k^2 I_0^2 l^2}{128\pi^2 R^2} \right) \sin^2 \theta.$$

(c) The power density is 4 times smaller than that for the constant current case, but the reduction is true for all directions. Hence, D remains unchanged at 1.5.

(d) Since $S(R, \theta)$ is 4 times smaller, the total radiated power P_{rad} is 4-times smaller. Consequently, $R_{\text{rad}} = 2P_{\text{rad}}/I_0^2$ is 4 times smaller than the expression given by Eq. (9.35); that is,

$$R_{\text{rad}} = 20\pi^2 (l/\lambda)^2 \quad (\Omega).$$

Problem 9.14 For a dipole antenna of length $l = 3\lambda/2$, (a) determine the directions of maximum radiation, (b) obtain an expression for S_{max} , and (c) generate a plot of the normalized radiation pattern $F(\theta)$. Compare your pattern with that shown in Fig. 9.17(c).

Solution:

(a) From Eq. (9.56), $S(\theta)$ for an arbitrary length dipole is given by

$$S(\theta) = \frac{15I_0^2}{\pi R^2} \left[\frac{\cos\left(\frac{\pi l}{\lambda} \cos \theta\right) - \cos\left(\frac{\pi l}{\lambda}\right)}{\sin \theta} \right]^2.$$

For $l = 3\lambda/2$, $S(\theta)$ becomes

$$S(\theta) = \frac{15I_0^2}{\pi R^2} \left[\frac{\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} \cos \theta\right)}{\sin \theta} \right]^2.$$

Solving for the directions of maximum radiation numerically yields two maximum directions of radiation given by

$$\theta_{\max_1} = 42.6^\circ, \quad \theta_{\max_2} = 137.4^\circ.$$

(b) From the numerical results, it was found that $S(\theta) = 15I_0^2/(\pi R^2)(1.96)$ at θ_{\max} . Thus,

$$S_{\max} = \frac{15I_0^2}{\pi R^2} (1.96).$$

(c) The normalized radiation pattern is given by Eq. (9.13) as

$$F(\theta) = \frac{S(\theta)}{S_{\max}}.$$

Using the expression for $S(\theta)$ from part (a) with the value of S_{\max} found in part (b),

$$F(\theta) = \frac{1}{1.96} \left[\frac{\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} \cos \theta\right)}{\sin \theta} \right]^2.$$

The normalized radiation pattern is shown in Fig. P9.14, which is identical to that shown in Fig. 9.17(c).

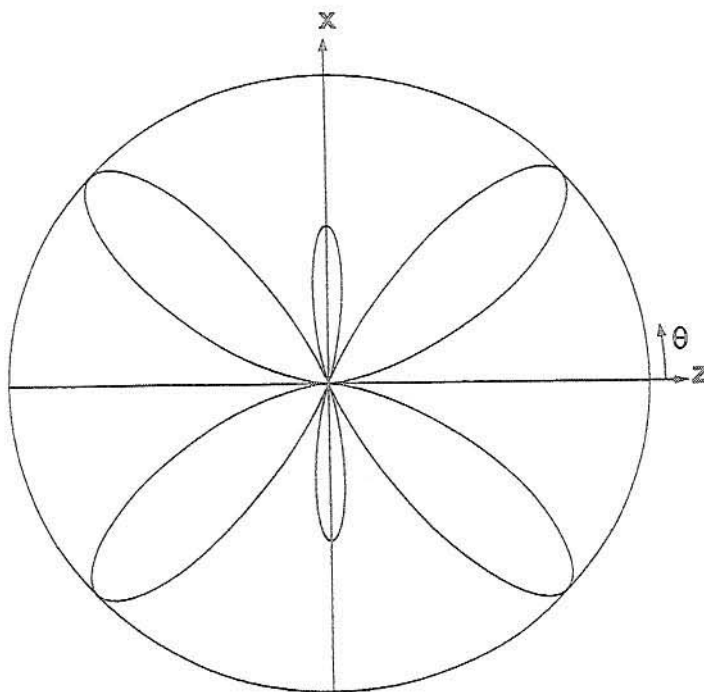


Figure P9.14: Radiation pattern of dipole of length $3\lambda/2$.

Problem 9.15 Repeat parts (a)–(c) of Problem 9.14 for a dipole of length $l = 3\lambda/4$.

Solution:

(a) For $l = 3\lambda/4$, Eq. (9.56) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} S(\theta) &= \frac{15I_0^2}{\pi R^2} \left[\frac{\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{4} \cos \theta\right) - \cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right)}{\sin \theta} \right]^2 \\ &= \frac{15I_0^2}{\pi R^2} \left[\frac{\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{4} \cos \theta\right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}{\sin \theta} \right]^2. \end{aligned}$$

Solving for the directions of maximum radiation numerically yields

$$\theta_{\max_1} = 90^\circ, \quad \theta_{\max_2} = 270^\circ.$$

(b) From the numerical results, it was found that $S(\theta) = 15I_0^2/(\pi R^2)(2.91)$ at θ_{\max} .

Thus,

$$S_{\max} = \frac{15I_0^2}{\pi R^2} (2.91).$$

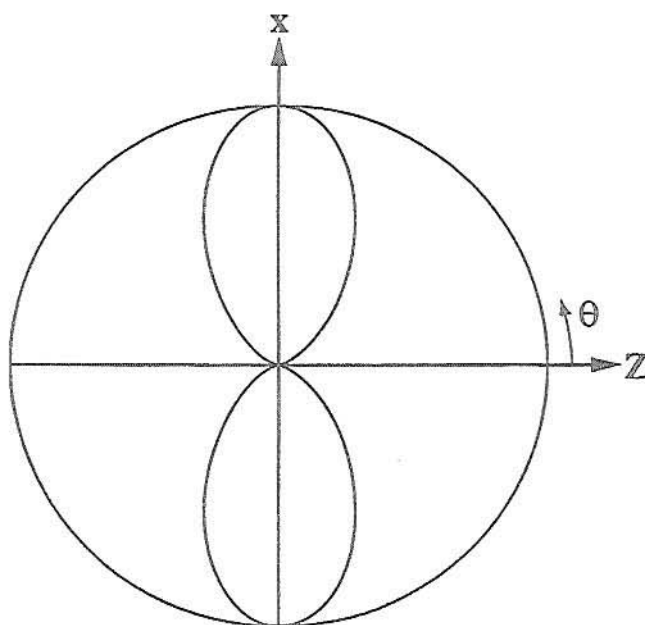


Figure P9.15: Radiation pattern of dipole of length $l = 3\lambda/4$.

(c) The normalized radiation pattern is given by Eq. (9.13) as

$$F(\theta) = \frac{S(\theta)}{S_{\max}}.$$

Using the expression for $S(\theta)$ from part (a) with the value of S_{\max} found in part (b),

$$F(\theta) = \frac{1}{2.91} \left[\frac{\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{4} \cos \theta\right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}{\sin \theta} \right]^2.$$

The normalized radiation pattern is shown in Fig. P9.15.

Problem 9.16 Repeat parts (a)–(c) of Problem 9.14 for a dipole of length $l = \lambda$.

Solution: For $l = \lambda$, Eq. (9.56) becomes

$$S(\theta) = \frac{15I_0^2}{\pi R^2} \left[\frac{\cos(\pi \cos \theta) - \cos(\pi)}{\sin \theta} \right]^2 = \frac{15I_0^2}{\pi R^2} \left[\frac{\cos(\pi \cos \theta) + 1}{\sin \theta} \right]^2.$$

Solving for the directions of maximum radiation numerically yields

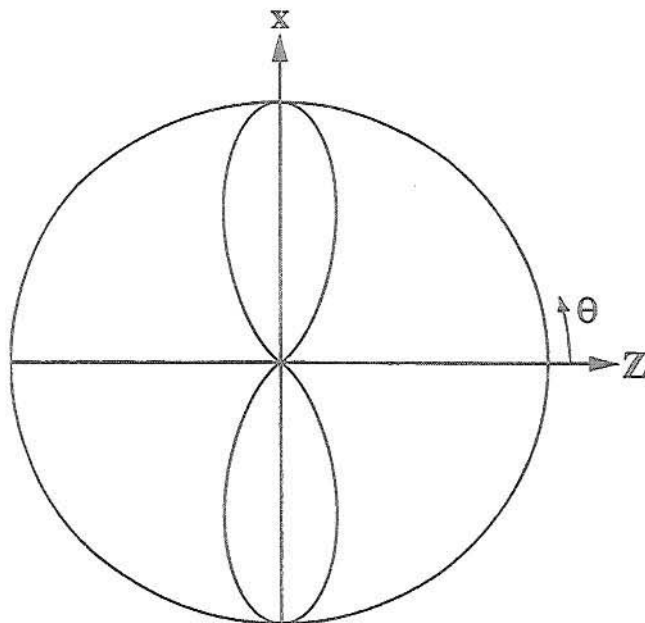


Figure P9.16: Radiation pattern of dipole of length $l = \lambda$.

$$\theta_{\max_1} = 90^\circ, \quad \theta_{\max_2} = 270^\circ.$$

(b) From the numerical results, it was found that $S(\theta) = 15I_0^2/(\pi R^2)(4)$ at θ_{\max} . Thus,

$$S_{\max} = \frac{60I_0^2}{\pi R^2}.$$

(c) The normalized radiation pattern is given by Eq. (9.13), as

$$F(\theta) = \frac{S(\theta)}{S_{\max}}.$$

Using the expression for $S(\theta)$ from part (a) with the value of S_{\max} found in part (b),

$$F(\theta) = \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{\cos(\pi \cos \theta) + 1}{\sin \theta} \right]^2.$$

The normalized radiation pattern is shown in Fig. P9.16.

Problem 9.17 A car antenna is a vertical monopole over a conducting surface. Repeat Problem 9.5 for a 1-m-long car antenna operating at 1 MHz. The antenna wire is made of aluminum with $\mu_c = \mu_0$ and $\sigma_c = 3.5 \times 10^7$ S/m, and its diameter is 1 cm.

Solution:

(a) Following Example 9-3, $\lambda = c/f = (3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})/(10^6 \text{ Hz}) = 300 \text{ m}$. As $l/\lambda = 2 \times (1 \text{ m})/(300 \text{ m}) = 0.0067$, this antenna is a short (Hertzian) monopole. From Section 9-3.3, the radiation resistance of a monopole is half that for a corresponding dipole. Thus,

$$R_{\text{rad}} = \frac{1}{2} 80\pi^2 \left(\frac{l}{\lambda}\right)^2 = 40\pi^2 (0.0067)^2 = 17.7 \text{ (m}\Omega\text{)},$$

$$R_{\text{loss}} = \frac{l}{2\pi a} \sqrt{\frac{\pi f \mu_c}{\sigma_c}} = \frac{1 \text{ m}}{\pi(10^{-2} \text{ m})} \sqrt{\frac{\pi(10^6 \text{ Hz})(4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/m})}{3.5 \times 10^7 \text{ S/m}}} = 10.7 \text{ m}\Omega,$$

$$\xi = \frac{R_{\text{rad}}}{R_{\text{rad}} + R_{\text{loss}}} = \frac{17.7 \text{ m}\Omega}{17.7 \text{ m}\Omega + 10.7 \text{ m}\Omega} = 62\%.$$

(b) From Example 9-2, a Hertzian dipole has a directivity of 1.5. The gain, from Eq. (9.29), is $G = \xi D = 0.62 \times 1.5 = 0.93 = -0.3 \text{ dB}$.

(c) From Eq. (9.30a),

$$I_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2P_{\text{rad}}}{R_{\text{rad}}}} = \sqrt{\frac{2(20 \text{ W})}{17.7 \text{ m}\Omega}} = 47.5 \text{ A},$$

and from Eq. (9.31),

$$P_t = \frac{P_{\text{rad}}}{\xi} = \frac{20 \text{ W}}{0.62} = 32.3 \text{ W}.$$

Sections 9-5 and 9-6: Effective Area and Friis Formula

Problem 9.18 Determine the effective area of a half-wave dipole antenna at 100 MHz, and compare it to its physical cross section if the wire diameter is 1 cm.

Solution: At $f = 100 \text{ MHz}$, $\lambda = c/f = (3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})/(100 \times 10^6 \text{ Hz}) = 3 \text{ m}$. From Eq. (9.47), a half wave dipole has a directivity of $D = 1.64$. From Eq. (9.64), $A_e = \lambda^2 D / 4\pi = (3 \text{ m})^2 \times 1.64 / 4\pi = 1.17 \text{ m}^2$.

The physical cross section is: $A_p = ld = \frac{1}{2}\lambda d = \frac{1}{2}(3 \text{ m})(10^{-2} \text{ m}) = 0.015 \text{ m}^2$. Hence, $A_e/A_p = 78$.

Problem 9.19 A 3-GHz line-of-sight microwave communication link consists of two lossless parabolic dish antennas, each 1 m in diameter. If the receive antenna requires 1 nW of receive power for good reception and the distance between the antennas is 40 km, how much power should be transmitted?

Solution: At $f = 3 \text{ GHz}$, $\lambda = c/f = (3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})/(3 \times 10^9 \text{ Hz}) = 0.10 \text{ m}$. Solving the Friis transmission formula (Eq. (9.75)) for the transmitted power:

$$\begin{aligned} P_t &= P_{\text{rec}} \frac{\lambda^2 R^2}{\xi_{\text{st}} \xi_{\text{sr}} A_t A_r} \\ &= 10^{-9} \frac{(0.100 \text{ m})^2 (40 \times 10^3 \text{ m})^2}{1 \times 1 \times (\frac{\pi}{4}(1 \text{ m})^2)(\frac{\pi}{4}(1 \text{ m})^2)} = 25.9 \times 10^{-3} \text{ W} = 25.9 \text{ mW}. \end{aligned}$$

Problem 9.20 A half-wave dipole TV broadcast antenna transmits 1 kW at 50 MHz. What is the power received by a home television antenna with 13-dB gain if located at a distance of 30 km?

Solution: At $f = 50 \text{ MHz}$, $\lambda = c/f = (3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})/(50 \times 10^6 \text{ Hz}) = 6 \text{ m}$, for which a half wave dipole, or larger antenna, is very reasonable to construct. Assuming the TV transmitter to have a vertical half wave dipole, its gain in the direction of the home would be $G_t = 1.64$. The home antenna has a gain of $G_r = 13 \text{ dB} = 20$. From the Friis transmission formula (Eq. (9.75)):

$$P_{\text{rec}} = P_t \frac{\lambda^2 G_r G_t}{(4\pi)^2 R^2} = 10^3 \frac{(6 \text{ m})^2 \times 1.64 \times 20}{(4\pi)^2 (30 \times 10^3 \text{ m})^2} = 8.3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ W} = 8.3 \mu\text{W}.$$

Problem 9.21 A 150-MHz communication link consists of two vertical half-wave dipole antennas separated by 2 km. The antennas are lossless, the signal occupies a bandwidth of 3 MHz, the system noise temperature of the receiver is 600 K, and the desired signal-to-noise ratio is 20 dB. What transmitter power is required?

Solution: From Eq. (9.77), the receiver noise power is

$$P_n = KT_{\text{sys}}B = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times 600 \times 3 \times 10^6 = 2.48 \times 10^{-14} \text{ W}.$$

For a signal to noise ratio $S_n = 20 \text{ dB} = 100$, the received power must be at least

$$P_{\text{rec}} = S_n P_n = 100(2.48 \times 10^{-14} \text{ W}) = 2.48 \times 10^{-12} \text{ W}.$$

Since the two antennas are half-wave dipoles, Eq. (9.47) states $D_t = D_r = 1.64$, and since the antennas are both lossless, $G_t = D_t$ and $G_r = D_r$. Since the operating frequency is $f = 150$ MHz, $\lambda = c/f = (3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})/(150 \times 10^6 \text{ Hz}) = 2$ m. Solving the Friis transmission formula (Eq. (9.75)) for the transmitted power:

$$P_t = P_{\text{rec}} \frac{(4\pi)^2 R^2}{\lambda^2 G_r G_t} = 2.48 \times 10^{-12} \frac{(4\pi)^2 (2 \times 10^3 \text{ m})^2}{(2 \text{ m})^2 (1.64)(1.64)} = 0.15 \text{ (mW)}.$$

Problem 9.22 Consider the communication system shown in Fig. 9-37 (P9.22), with all components properly matched. If $P_t = 10$ W and $f = 6$ GHz:

- what is the power density at the receiving antenna (assuming proper alignment of antennas)?
- What is the received power?
- If $T_{\text{sys}} = 1,000$ K and the receiver bandwidth is 10 MHz, what is the signal to noise ratio in dB?

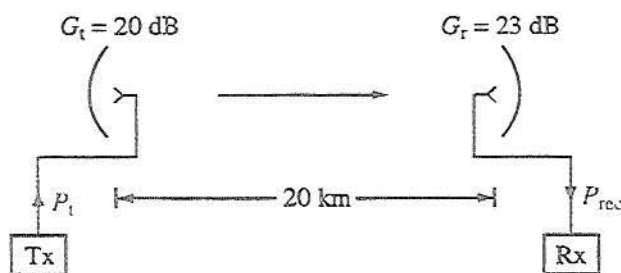


Figure P9.22: Communication system of Problem 9.22.

Solution:

- (a) $G_t = 20 \text{ dB} = 100$, $G_r = 23 \text{ dB} = 200$, and $\lambda = c/f = 5$ cm. From Eq. (9.72),

$$S_r = G_t \frac{P_t}{4\pi R^2} = \frac{10^2 \times 10}{4\pi \times (2 \times 10^4)^2} = 2 \times 10^{-7} \text{ (W/m}^2\text{)}.$$

- (b)

$$P_{\text{rec}} = P_t G_t G_r \left(\frac{\lambda}{4\pi R} \right)^2 = 10 \times 100 \times 200 \times \left(\frac{5 \times 10^{-2}}{4\pi \times 2 \times 10^4} \right)^2 = 7.92 \times 10^{-9} \text{ W}.$$

- (c)

$$P_n = K T_{\text{sys}} B = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times 10^3 \times 10^7 = 1.38 \times 10^{-13} \text{ W},$$

$$S_n = \frac{P_{\text{rec}}}{P_n} = \frac{7.92 \times 10^{-9}}{1.38 \times 10^{-13}} = 5.74 \times 10^4 = 47.6 \text{ dB}.$$

Sections 9-7 and 9-8: Radiation by Apertures

Problem 9.23 A uniformly illuminated aperture is of length $l_x = 20\lambda$. Determine the beamwidth between first nulls in the x - z plane.

Solution: The radiation intensity of a uniformly illuminated antenna is given by Eq. (9.90):

$$F(\theta) = \text{sinc}^2(\pi l_x \sin \theta / \lambda) = \text{sinc}^2(\pi \gamma),$$

with

$$\gamma = l_x \sin \theta / \lambda.$$

For $l_x = 20\lambda$,

$$\gamma = 20 \sin \theta.$$

The first zero of the sinc function occurs when $\gamma = \pm 1$, as shown in Fig. 9-23. Hence,

$$1 = 20 \sin \theta,$$

or

$$\theta = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{20} \right) = 2.87^\circ,$$

and

$$\beta_{\text{null}} = 2\theta = 5.73^\circ.$$

Problem 9.24 The 10-dB beamwidth is the beam size between the angles at which $F(\theta)$ is 10 dB below its peak value. Determine the 10-dB beamwidth in the x - z plane for a uniformly illuminated aperture with length $l_x = 10\lambda$.

Solution: For a uniformly illuminated antenna of length $l_x = 10\lambda$ Eq. (9.90) gives

$$F(\theta) = \text{sinc}^2(\pi l_x \sin \theta / \lambda) = \text{sinc}^2(10\pi \sin \theta).$$

The peak value of $F(\theta)$ is 1, and the 10-dB level below the peak corresponds to when $F(\theta) = 0.1$ (because $10 \log 0.1 = -10 \text{ dB}$). Hence, we set $F(\theta) = 0.1$ and solve for θ :

$$0.1 = \text{sinc}^2(10\pi \sin \theta).$$

From tabulated values of the sinc function, it follows that the solution of this equation is

$$10\pi \sin \theta = 2.319$$

or

$$\theta \approx 4.23^\circ.$$

Hence, the 10-dB beamwidth is

$$\beta \approx 2\theta = 8.46^\circ.$$

Problem 9.25 A uniformly illuminated rectangular aperture situated in the x - y plane is 3 m high (along x) and 1 m wide (along y). If $f = 10$ GHz, determine

- the beamwidths of the radiation pattern in the elevation plane (x - z plane) and the azimuth plane (y - z plane), and
- the antenna directivity D in dB.

Solution: From Eqs. (9.94a), (9.94b), and (9.96),

$$\beta_{xz} = 0.88 \frac{\lambda}{l_x} = \frac{0.88 \times 3 \times 10^{-2}}{3} = 8.8 \times 10^{-3} \text{ rad} = 0.50^\circ,$$

$$\beta_{yz} = 0.88 \frac{\lambda}{l_y} = \frac{0.88 \times 3 \times 10^{-2}}{1} = 2.64 \times 10^{-2} \text{ rad} = 1.51^\circ,$$

$$D = \frac{4\pi}{\beta_{xz}\beta_{yz}} = \frac{4\pi}{(8.8 \times 10^{-3})(2.64 \times 10^{-2})} = 5.41 \times 10^4 = 47.3 \text{ dB}.$$

Problem 9.26 An antenna with a circular aperture has a circular beam with a beamwidth of 1.5° at 20 GHz.

- What is the antenna directivity in dB?
- If the antenna area is doubled, what would be the new directivity and new beamwidth?
- If the aperture is kept the same as in (a), but the frequency is doubled to 40 GHz, what would the directivity and beamwidth become then?

Solution:

- From Eq. (9.96),

$$D \approx \frac{4\pi}{\beta^2} = \frac{4\pi}{(1.5^\circ \times \pi/180^\circ)^2} = 1.83 \times 10^4 = 42.6 \text{ dB}.$$

(b) If area is doubled, it means the diameter is increased by $\sqrt{2}$, and therefore the beamwidth decreases by $\sqrt{2}$ to

$$\beta = \frac{1.5^\circ}{\sqrt{2}} = 1.1^\circ.$$

The directivity increases by a factor of 2, or 3 dB, to $D = 42.6 + 3 = 45.6$ dB.

(c) If f is doubled, λ becomes half as long, which means that the diameter to wavelength ratio is twice as large. Consequently, the beamwidth is half as wide:

$$\beta = \frac{1.5^\circ}{2} = 0.75^\circ,$$

and D is four times as large, or 6 dB greater, $D = 42.6 + 6 = 48.6$ dB.

Problem 9.27 A 94-GHz automobile collision-avoidance radar uses a rectangular-aperture antenna placed above the car's bumper. If the antenna is 1 m in length and 10 cm in height,

- what are its elevation and azimuth beamwidths?
- what is the horizontal extent of the beam at a distance of 300 m?

Solution:

(a) At 94 GHz, $\lambda = 3 \times 10^8 / (94 \times 10^9) = 3.2$ mm. The elevation beamwidth is $\beta_e = \lambda / 0.1 \text{ m} = 3.2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ rad} = 1.8^\circ$. The azimuth beamwidth is $\beta_a = \lambda / 1 \text{ m} = 3.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ rad} = 0.18^\circ$.

(b) At a distance of 300 m, the horizontal extent of the beam is

$$\Delta y = \beta_a R = 3.2 \times 10^{-3} \times 300 = 0.96 \text{ m}.$$

Problem 9.28 A microwave telescope consisting of a very sensitive receiver connected to a 100-m parabolic-dish antenna is used to measure the energy radiated by astronomical objects at 10 GHz. If the antenna beam is directed toward the moon and the moon extends over a planar angle of 0.5° from Earth, what fraction of the moon's cross section will be occupied by the beam?

Solution:

$$\beta_{\text{ant}} = \frac{\lambda}{d} = \frac{3 \times 10^{-2}}{100} = 3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ rad}.$$

For the moon, $\beta_{\text{moon}} = 0.5^\circ \times \pi / 180^\circ = 8.73 \times 10^{-3} \text{ rad}$. Fraction of the moon's cross section occupied by the beam is

$$\left(\frac{\beta_{\text{ant}}}{\beta_{\text{moon}}} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{3 \times 10^{-4}}{8.73 \times 10^{-3}} \right)^2 = 1.2 \times 10^{-3}, \text{ or } 0.12\%.$$

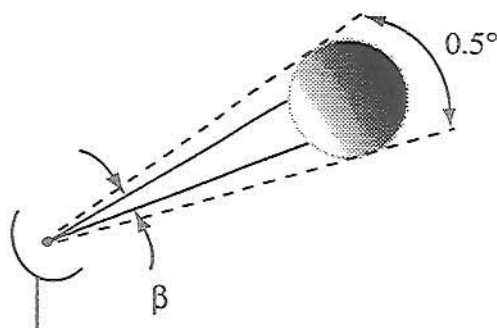


Figure P9.28: Antenna beam viewing the moon.

Sections 9-9 to 9-11: Antenna Arrays

Problem 9.29 A two-element array consisting of two isotropic antennas separated by a distance d along the z -axis is placed in a coordinate system whose z -axis points eastward and whose x -axis points toward the zenith. If a_0 and a_1 are the amplitudes of the excitations of the antennas at $z = 0$ and at $z = d$ respectively, and if δ is the phase of the excitation of the antenna at $z = d$ relative to that of the other antenna, find the array factor and plot the pattern in the x - z plane for

- (a) $a_0 = a_1 = 1$, $\delta = \pi/4$, and $d = \lambda/2$,
- (b) $a_0 = 1$, $a_1 = 2$, $\delta = 0$, and $d = \lambda$,
- (c) $a_0 = a_1 = 1$, $\delta = -\pi/2$, and $d = \lambda/2$,
- (d) $a_0 = a_1$, $a_1 = 2$, $\delta = \pi/4$, and $d = \lambda/2$, and
- (e) $a_0 = a_1$, $a_1 = 2$, $\delta = \pi/2$, and $d = \lambda/4$.

Solution:

(a) Employing Eq. (9.110),

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_a(\theta) &= \left| \sum_{i=0}^1 a_i e^{j\psi_i} e^{j i k d \cos \theta} \right|^2 \\
 &= |1 + e^{j((2\pi/\lambda)(\lambda/2)\cos\theta + \pi/4)}|^2 \\
 &= |1 + e^{j(\pi \cos \theta + \pi/4)}|^2 = 4 \cos^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{8} (4 \cos \theta + 1) \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

A plot of this array factor pattern is shown in Fig. P9.29(a).

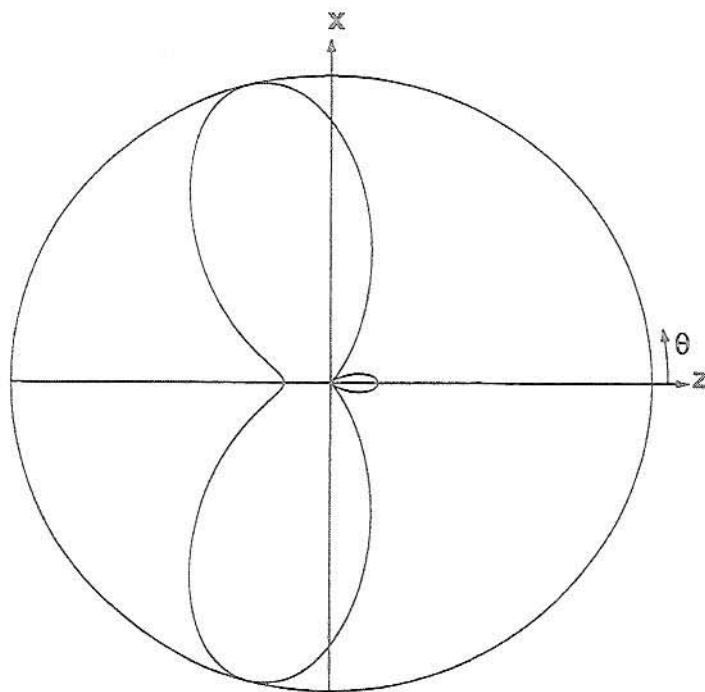


Figure P9.29: (a) Array factor in the elevation plane for Problem 9.29(a).

(b) Employing Eq. (9.110),

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_a(\theta) &= \left| \sum_{i=0}^1 a_i e^{j\psi_i} e^{j i k d \cos \theta} \right|^2 \\
 &= |1 + 2e^{j((2\pi/\lambda)\lambda \cos \theta + 0)}|^2 = |1 + 2e^{j2\pi \cos \theta}|^2 = 5 + 4 \cos(2\pi \cos \theta).
 \end{aligned}$$

A plot of this array factor pattern is shown in Fig. P9.29(b).

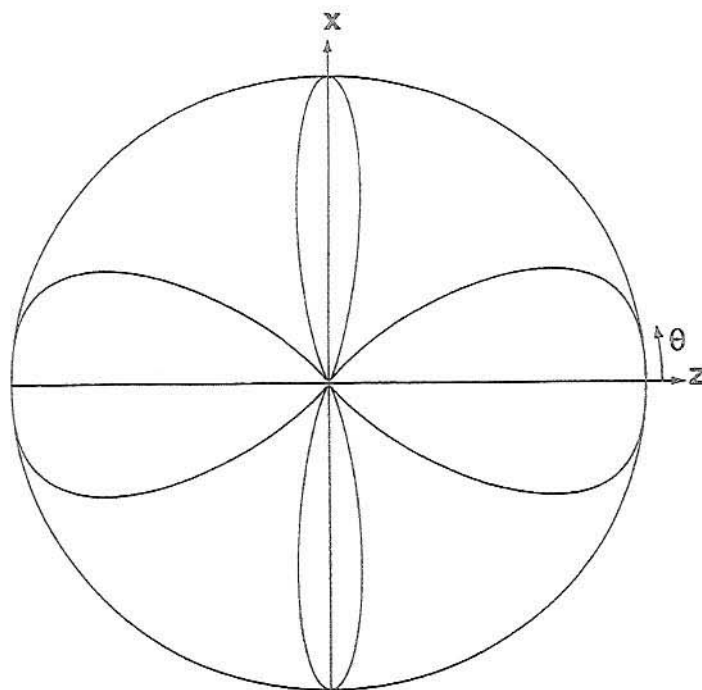


Figure P9.29: (b) Array factor in the elevation plane for Problem 9.29(b).

(c) Employing Eq. (9.110), and setting $a_0 = a_1 = 1$, $\psi = 0$, $\psi_1 = \delta = -\pi/2$ and $d = \lambda/2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_a(\theta) &= \left| \sum_{i=0}^1 a_i e^{j\psi_i} e^{j i k d \cos \theta} \right|^2 \\
 &= \left| 1 + e^{-j\pi/2} e^{j(2\pi/\lambda)(\lambda/2) \cos \theta} \right|^2 \\
 &= \left| 1 + e^{j(\pi \cos \theta - \pi/2)} \right|^2 \\
 &= 4 \cos^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos \theta - \frac{\pi}{4} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

A plot of the array factor is shown in Fig. P9.29(c).

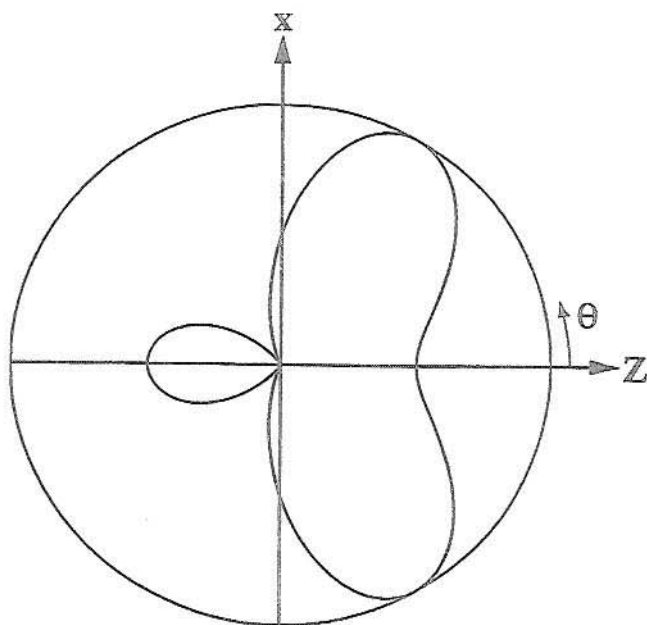


Figure P9.29: (c) Array factor in the elevation plane for Problem 9.29(c).

(d) Employing Eq. (9.110), and setting $a_0 = 1$, $a_1 = 2$, $\psi_0 = 0$, $\psi_1 = \delta = \pi/4$, and $d = \lambda/2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_a(\theta) &= \left| \sum_{i=0}^1 a_i e^{j\psi_i} e^{j i k d \cos \theta} \right|^2 \\
 &= \left| 1 + 2e^{j\pi/4} e^{j(2\pi/\lambda)(\lambda/2) \cos \theta} \right|^2 \\
 &= \left| 1 + 2e^{j(\pi \cos \theta + \pi/4)} \right|^2 \\
 &= 5 + 4 \cos \left(\pi \cos \theta + \frac{\pi}{4} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

A plot of the array factor is shown in Fig. P9.29(d).

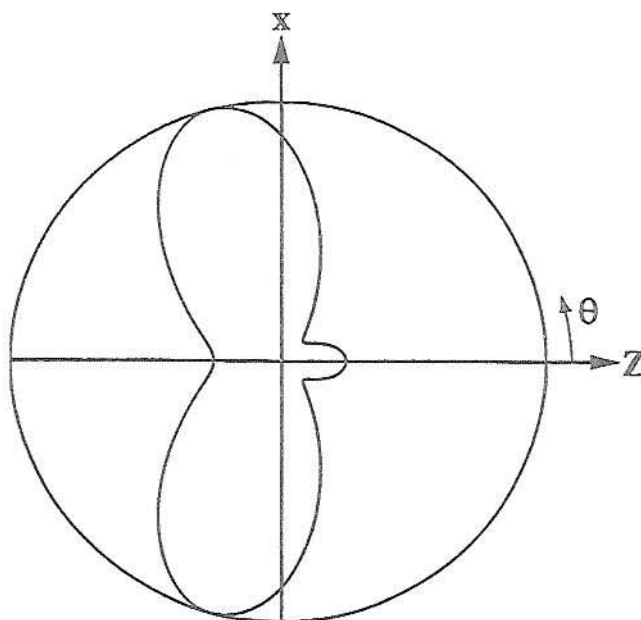


Figure P9.29: (d) Array factor in the elevation plane for Problem 9.29(d).

(e) Employing Eq. (9.110), and setting $a_0 = 1$, $a_1 = 2$, $\psi_0 = 0$, $\psi_1 = \delta = \pi/2$, and $d = \lambda/4$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_a(\theta) &= \left| \sum_{i=0}^1 a_i e^{j\psi_i} e^{j i k d \cos \theta} \right|^2 \\
 &= \left| 1 + 2e^{j\pi/2} e^{j(2\pi/\lambda)(\lambda/4) \cos \theta} \right|^2 \\
 &= \left| 1 + 2e^{j(\pi \cos \theta + \pi)/2} \right|^2 \\
 &= 5 + 4 \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos \theta + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) = 5 - 4 \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos \theta \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

A plot of the array factor is shown in Fig. P9.29(e).

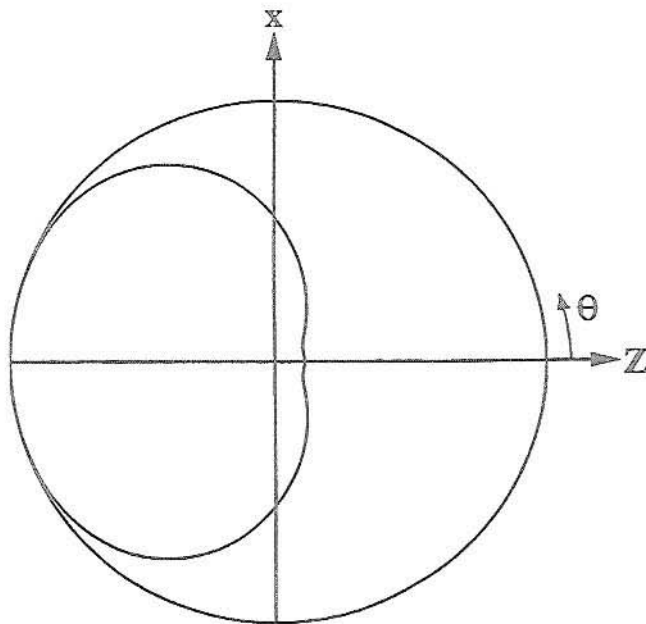


Figure P9.29: (e) Array factor in the elevation plane for Problem 9.29(e).

Problem 9.30 If the antennas in part (a) of Problem 9.29 are parallel vertical Hertzian dipoles with axes along the x -direction, determine the normalized radiation intensity in the x - z plane and plot it.

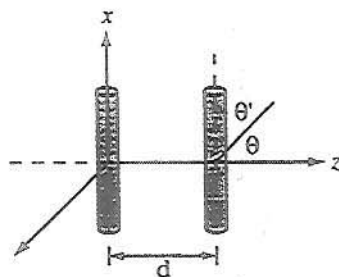


Figure P9.30: (a) Two vertical dipoles of Problem 9.30.

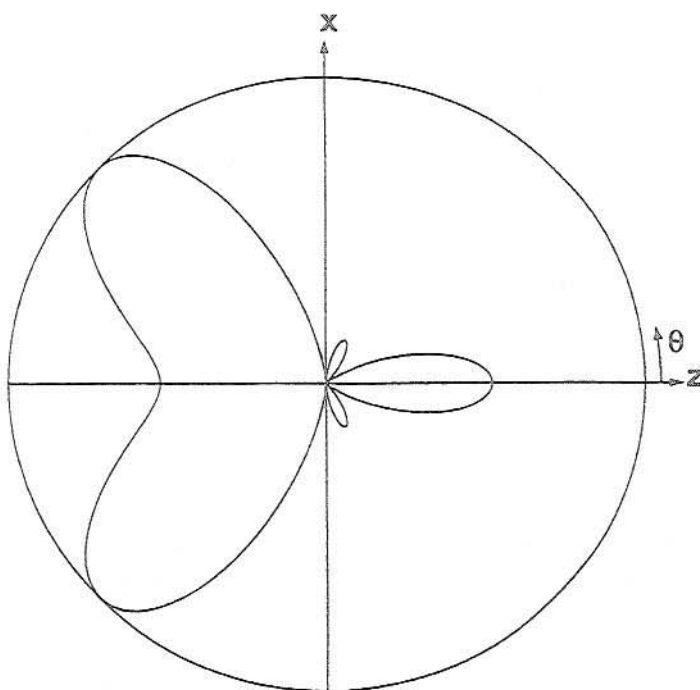


Figure P9.30: (b) Pattern factor in the elevation plane of the array in Problem 9.30(a).

Solution: The power density radiated by a Hertzian dipole is given from Eq. (9.12) by $S_e(\theta') = S_0 \sin^2 \theta'$, where θ' is the angle measured from the dipole axis, which in the present case is the x -axis (Fig. P9.30).

Hence, $\theta' = \pi/2 - \theta$ and $S_e(\theta) = S_0 \sin^2(\frac{1}{2}\pi - \theta) = S_0 \cos^2 \theta$. Then, from Eq. (9.108), the total power density is the product of the element pattern and the array factor. From part (a) of the previous problem:

$$S(\theta) = S_e(\theta)F_a(\theta) = 4S_0 \cos^2 \theta \cos^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{8}(4 \cos \theta + 1) \right).$$

This function has a maximum value of $3.52S_0$ and it occurs at $\theta_{\max} = \pm 135.5^\circ$. The maximum must be found by trial and error. A plot of the normalized array antenna pattern is shown in Fig. P9.30.

Problem 9.31 Consider the two-element dipole array of Fig. 9.29(a). If the two dipoles are excited with identical feeding coefficients ($a_0 = a_1 = 1$ and $\psi_0 = \psi_1 = 0$), choose (d/λ) such that the array factor has a maximum at $\theta = 45^\circ$.

Solution: With $a_0 = a_1 = 1$ and $\psi_0 = \psi_1 = 0$,

$$F_a(\theta) = |1 + e^{j(2\pi d/\lambda)\cos\theta}|^2 = 4\cos^2\left(\frac{\pi d}{\lambda}\cos\theta\right).$$

$F_a(\theta)$ is a maximum when the argument of the cosine function is zero or a multiple of π . Hence, for a maximum at $\theta = 45^\circ$,

$$\frac{\pi d}{\lambda}\cos 45^\circ = n\pi, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

The first value of n , namely $n = 0$, does not provide a useful solution because it requires d to be zero, which means that the two elements are at the same location. While this gives a maximum at $\theta = 45^\circ$, it also gives the same maximum at all angles θ in the y - z plane because the two-element array will have become a single element with an azimuthally symmetric pattern. The value $n = 1$ leads to

$$\frac{d}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{\cos 45^\circ} = 1.414.$$

Problem 9.32 Choose (d/λ) so that the array pattern of the array of Problem 9.31 has a null, rather than a maximum, at $\theta = 45^\circ$.

Solution: With $a_0 = a_1 = 1$ and $\psi_0 = \psi_1 = 0$,

$$F_a(\theta) = |1 + e^{j(2\pi d/\lambda)\cos\theta}|^2 = 4\cos^2\left(\frac{\pi d}{\lambda}\cos\theta\right).$$

$F_a(\theta)$ is equal to zero when the argument of the cosine function is $[(\pi/2) + n\pi]$. Hence, for a null at $\theta = 45^\circ$,

$$\frac{\pi d}{\lambda}\cos 45^\circ = \frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

For $n = 0$,

$$\frac{d}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{2\cos 45^\circ} = 0.707.$$

Problem 9.33 Find and plot the normalized array factor and determine the half-power beamwidth for a five-element linear array excited with equal phase and a uniform amplitude distribution. The interelement spacing is $3\lambda/4$.

Solution: Using Eq. (9.121),

$$F_{an}(\theta) = \frac{\sin^2[(N\pi d/\lambda)\cos\theta]}{N^2 \sin^2[(\pi d/\lambda)\cos\theta]} = \frac{\sin^2[(15\pi/4)\cos\theta]}{25 \sin^2[(3\pi/4)\cos\theta]}$$

and this pattern is shown in Fig. P9.33. The peak values of the pattern occur at $\theta = \pm 90^\circ$. From numerical values of the pattern, the angles at which $F_{an}(\theta) = 0.5$ are approximately 6.75° on either side of the peaks. Hence, $\beta \simeq 13.5^\circ$.

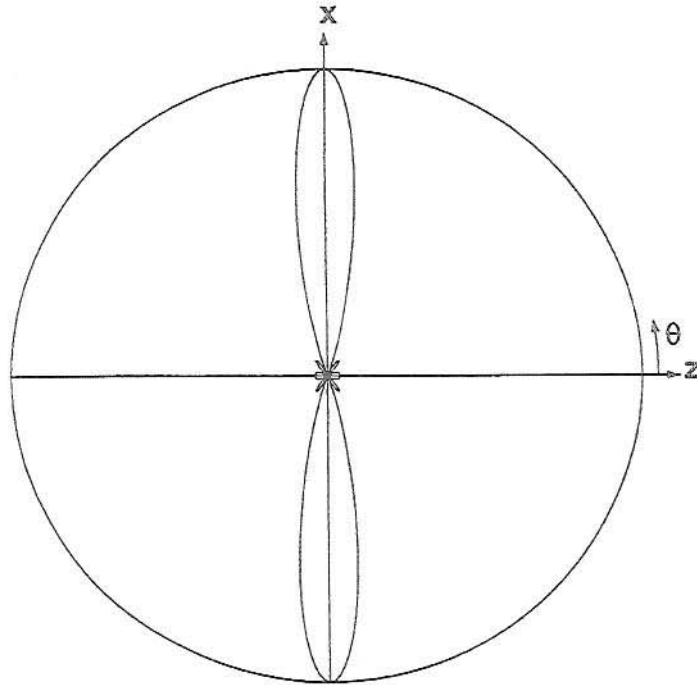


Figure P9.33: Normalized array pattern of a 5-element array with uniform amplitude distribution in Problem 9.33.

Problem 9.34 A three-element linear array of isotropic sources aligned along the z -axis has an interelement spacing of $\lambda/4$ Fig. 9-38 (P9.34). The amplitude excitation of the center element is twice that of the bottom and top elements and the phases

are $-\pi/2$ for the bottom element and $\pi/2$ for the top element, relative to that of the center element. Determine the array factor and plot it in the elevation plane.

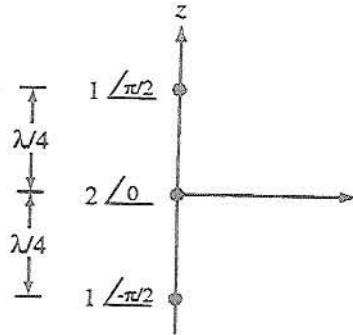


Figure P9.34: (a) Three-element array of Problem 9.34.

Solution: From Eq. (9.110),

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_a(\theta) &= \left| \sum_{i=0}^2 a_i e^{j\psi_i} e^{j i k d \cos \theta} \right|^2 \\
 &= |a_0 e^{j\psi_0} + a_1 e^{j\psi_1} e^{j k d \cos \theta} + a_2 e^{j\psi_2} e^{j 2 k d \cos \theta}|^2 \\
 &= |e^{j(\psi_1 - \pi/2)} + 2e^{j\psi_1} e^{j(2\pi/\lambda)(\lambda/4) \cos \theta} + e^{j(\psi_1 + \pi/2)} e^{j2(2\pi/\lambda)(\lambda/4) \cos \theta}|^2 \\
 &= |e^{j\psi_1} e^{j(\pi/2) \cos \theta}|^2 |e^{-j\pi/2} e^{-j(\pi/2) \cos \theta} + 2 + e^{j\pi/2} e^{j(\pi/2) \cos \theta}|^2 \\
 &= 4(1 + \cos(\frac{1}{2}\pi(1 + \cos \theta)))^2, \\
 F_{an}(\theta) &= \frac{1}{4}(1 + \cos(\frac{1}{2}\pi(1 + \cos \theta)))^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

This normalized array factor is shown in Fig. P9.34(b).

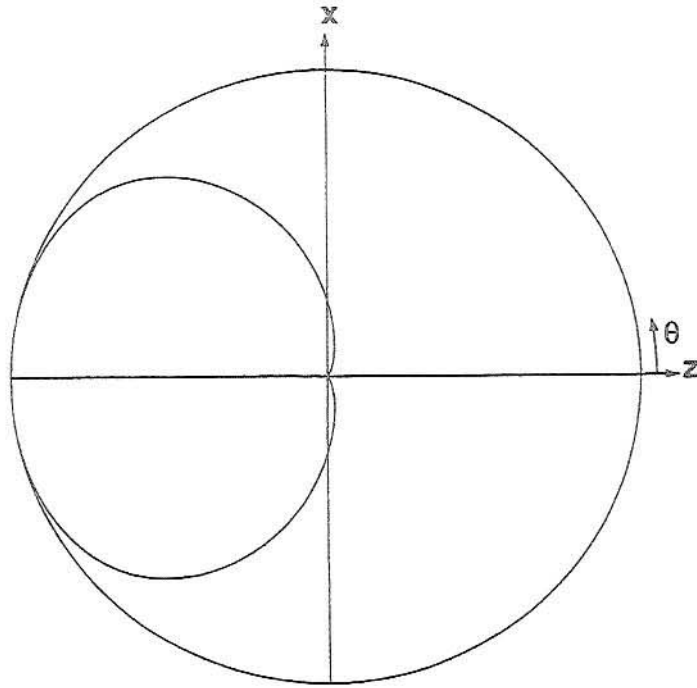


Figure P9.34: (b) Normalized array pattern of the 3-element array of Problem 9.34.

Problem 9.35 An eight-element linear array with $\lambda/2$ spacing is excited with equal amplitudes. To steer the main beam to a direction 60° below the broadside direction, what should be the incremental phase delay between adjacent elements? Also, give the expression for the array factor and plot the pattern.

Solution: Since broadside corresponds to $\theta = 90^\circ$, 60° below broadside is $\theta_0 = 150^\circ$. From Eq. (9.125),

$$\delta = kd \cos \theta_0 = \frac{2\pi\lambda}{\lambda} \frac{1}{2} \cos 150^\circ = -2.72 \text{ (rad)} = -155.9^\circ.$$

Combining Eq. (9.126) with (9.127) gives

$$F_{\text{an}}(\theta) = \frac{\sin^2(\frac{1}{2}Nkd(\cos \theta - \cos \theta_0))}{N^2 \sin^2(\frac{1}{2}kd(\cos \theta - \cos \theta_0))} = \frac{\sin^2(4\pi(\cos \theta + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}))}{64 \sin^2(\frac{1}{2}\pi(\cos \theta + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}))}.$$

The pattern is shown in Fig. P9.35.

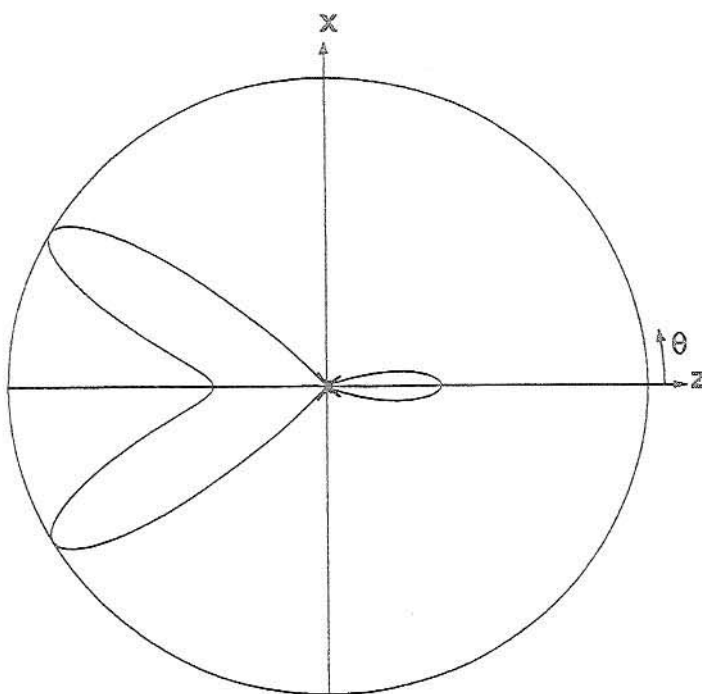


Figure P9.35: Pattern of the array of Problem 9.35.

Problem 9.36 A linear array arranged along the z -axis consists of 12 equally spaced elements with $d = \lambda/2$. Choose an appropriate incremental phase delay δ so as to steer the main beam to a direction 30° above the broadside direction. Provide an expression for the array factor of the steered antenna and plot the pattern. From the pattern, estimate the beamwidth.

Solution: Since broadside corresponds to $\theta = 90^\circ$, 30° above broadside is $\theta_0 = 60^\circ$. From Eq. (9.125),

$$\delta = kd \cos \theta_0 = \frac{2\pi\lambda}{\lambda} \frac{1}{2} \cos 60^\circ = 1.57 \text{ (rad)} = 90^\circ.$$

Combining Eq. (9.126) with (9.127) gives

$$F_{\text{an}}(\theta) = \frac{\sin^2(\frac{1}{2}12kd(\cos\theta - \cos\theta_0))}{144 \sin^2(\frac{1}{2}kd(\cos\theta - \cos\theta_0))} = \frac{\sin^2(6\pi(\cos\theta - 0.5))}{144 \sin^2(\frac{\pi}{2}(\cos\theta - 0.5))}.$$

The pattern is shown in Fig. P9.36. The beamwidth is $\approx 10^\circ$.

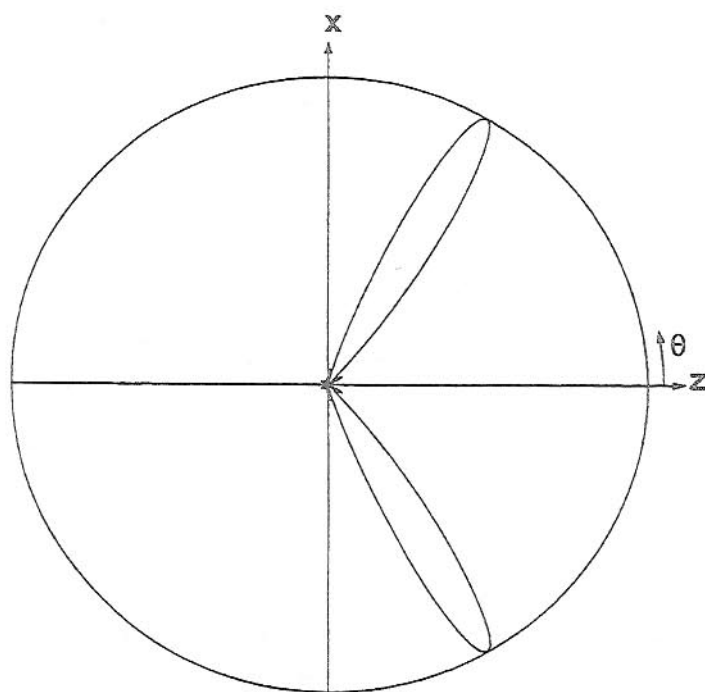


Figure P9.36: Array pattern of Problem 9.36.

Chapter 10

Sections 10-1 to 10-4: Satellite Communication Systems

Problem 10.1 A remote sensing satellite is in circular orbit around the earth at an altitude of 1,000 km above the earth's surface. What is its orbital period?

Solution: The orbit's radius is $R_0 = R_e + h = 6,378 + 1000 = 7378$ km. Rewriting Eq. (10.6) for T :

$$T = \left(\frac{4\pi^2 R_0^3}{GM_e} \right)^{1/2} = \left[\frac{4\pi^2 \times (7.378 \times 10^6)^3}{6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 5.98 \times 10^{24}} \right]^{1/2} \\ = 6304.8439 \text{ s} = 105.08 \text{ minutes.}$$

Problem 10.2 A transponder with a bandwidth of 500 MHz uses polarization diversity. If the bandwidth allocated to transmit a single telephone channel is 4 kHz, how many telephone channels can be carried by the transponder?

Solution: Number of telephone channels = $\frac{2 \times 500 \text{ MHz}}{4 \text{ kHz}} = \frac{2 \times 5 \times 10^8}{4 \times 10^3} = 2.5 \times 10^5$ channels.

Problem 10.3 Repeat Problem 10.2 for TV channels, each requiring a bandwidth of 6 MHz.

Solution: Number of telephone channels = $\frac{2 \times 5 \times 10^8}{6 \times 10^6} = 166.67 \simeq 166$ channels.
We need to round down because we cannot have a partial channel.

Problem 10.4 A geostationary satellite is at a distance of 40,000 km from a ground receiving station. The satellite transmitting antenna is a circular aperture with a 1-m diameter and the ground station uses a parabolic dish antenna with an effective diameter of 30 cm. If the satellite transmits 1 kW of power at 12 GHz and the ground receiver is characterized by a system noise temperature of 1,000 K, what would be the signal-to-noise ratio of a received TV signal with a bandwidth of 6 MHz? The antennas and the atmosphere may be assumed lossless.

Solution: We are given

$$R = 4 \times 10^7 \text{ m}, \quad d_t = 1 \text{ m}, \quad d_r = 0.3 \text{ m}, \quad P_t = 10^3 \text{ W}, \\ f = 12 \text{ GHz}, \quad T_{\text{sys}} = 1,000 \text{ K}, \quad B = 6 \text{ MHz}.$$

At $f = 12$ GHz, $\lambda = c/f = 3 \times 10^8 / 12 \times 10^9 = 2.5 \times 10^{-2}$ m. With $\xi_t = \xi_r = 1$,

$$G_t = D_t = \frac{4\pi A_t}{\lambda^2} = \frac{4\pi(\pi d_t^2/4)}{\lambda^2} = \frac{4\pi \times \pi \times 1}{4 \times (2.5 \times 10^{-2})^2} = 15,791.37,$$

$$G_r = D_r = \frac{4\pi A_r}{\lambda^2} = \frac{4\pi(\pi d_r^2/4)}{\lambda^2} = \frac{4\pi \times \pi(0.3)^2}{4 \times (2.5 \times 10^{-2})^2} = 1421.22.$$

Applying Eq. (10.11) with $Y(\theta) = 1$ gives:

$$S_n = \frac{P_t G_t G_r}{K T_{\text{sys}} B} \left(\frac{\lambda}{4\pi R} \right)^2 = \frac{10^3 \times 15,791.37 \times 1421.22}{1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times 10^3 \times 6 \times 10^6} \left(\frac{2.5 \times 10^{-2}}{4\pi \times 4 \times 10^7} \right)^2 = 670.49.$$

Sections 10-5 to 10-8: Radar Sensors

Problem 10.5 A collision avoidance automotive radar is designed to detect the presence of vehicles up to a range of 1 km. What is the maximum usable PRF?

Solution: From Eq. (10.14),

$$f_p = \frac{c}{2R_u} = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{2 \times 10^3} = 1.5 \times 10^5 \text{ Hz.}$$

Problem 10.6 A 10-GHz weather radar uses a 30-cm-diameter lossless antenna. At a distance of 1 km, what are the dimensions of the volume resolvable by the radar if the pulse length is 1 μ s?

Solution: Resolvable volume has dimensions Δx , Δy , and ΔR .

$$\Delta x = \Delta y = \beta R = \frac{\lambda}{d} R = \frac{3 \times 10^{-2}}{0.3} \times 10^3 = 100 \text{ m,}$$

$$\Delta R = \frac{c\tau}{2} = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{2} \times 10^{-6} = 150 \text{ m.}$$

Problem 10.7 A radar system is characterized by the following parameters: $P_t = 1$ kW, $\tau = 0.1$ μ s, $G = 30$ dB, $\lambda = 3$ cm, and $T_{\text{sys}} = 1,500$ K. The radar cross section of a car is typically 10 m². How far can the car be and remain detectable by the radar with a minimum signal-to-noise ratio of 13 dB?

Solution: $S_{\min} = 13$ dB means $S_{\min} = 20$. $G = 30$ dB means $G = 1000$. Hence, by Eq. (10.27),

$$R_{\max} = \left[\frac{P_t \tau G^2 \lambda^2 \sigma_t}{(4\pi)^3 K T_{\text{sys}} S_{\min}} \right]^{1/4}$$

$$= \left[\frac{10^3 \times 10^{-7} \times 10^6 \times (3 \times 10^{-2})^2 \times 10}{(4\pi)^3 \times 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times 1.5 \times 10^3 \times 20} \right]^{1/4} = 5753.12 \text{ m} = 5.75 \text{ km}.$$

Problem 10.8 A 3-cm-wavelength radar is located at the origin of an x - y coordinate system. A car located at $x = 100$ m and $y = 200$ m is heading east (x -direction) at a speed of 120 km/hr. What is the Doppler frequency measured by the radar?

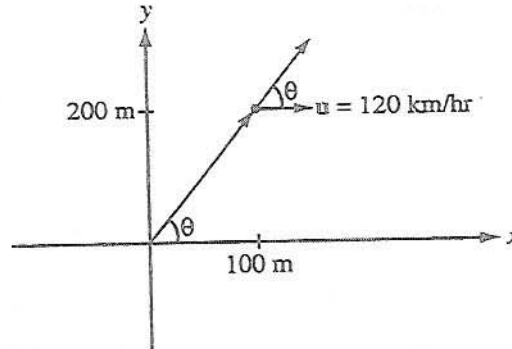


Figure P10.8: Geometry of Problem 10.8.

Solution:

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{200}{100} \right) = 63.43^\circ,$$

$$u = 120 \text{ km/hr} = \frac{1.2 \times 10^5}{3600} = 33.33 \text{ m/s},$$

$$f_d = \frac{-2u}{\lambda} \cos \theta = \frac{-2 \times 33.33}{3 \times 10^{-2}} \cos 63.43^\circ = -993.88 \text{ Hz}.$$