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ANTENNA THEORY AND DESIGN

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1. (25 points)

For a receiving antenna, the directivity D is given to be 500 at the reception frequency of 12,500 MHz. For this antenna, calculate

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- 6 a. the maximum effective area A_{em} at the incoming signal frequency.
- 7 b. the maximum received power P_r for an incoming signal power density of $S_{inc} = 1 \mu\text{W/m}^2$.
- 6 c. the rms field strength E of the incoming signal.
- 6 d. the rms open circuit voltage developed across the antenna terminals given that R_A of the receiving antenna is 450 ohms.

1. a. For any antenna

$$D = \frac{4\pi A_{em}}{\lambda^2} \quad (4-23 \text{ Text})$$

For a signal frequency of 12,500 MHz $\lambda = 2.4 \text{ cm}$

$$A_{em} = \frac{D \lambda^2}{4\pi} = \frac{500 \times (2.4)^2}{4\pi} = 229.2 \text{ cm}^2 \Rightarrow 0.0229 \text{ m}^2$$

b. $P_r = S_{inc} A_{em} = 0.0229 \times 10^{-6} = 2.29 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W}$

c. $\frac{E_{rms}^2}{\eta} = 10^{-6} \Rightarrow E_{rms} = \sqrt{377} \times 10^{-3} = 19.4 \frac{\text{mV}}{\text{m}} \text{ rms}$
 $\Rightarrow 27.44 \text{ mV/m peak}$

d. From Eq. 23 of class Notes

$$V_{oc} = \sqrt{8 R_A S_{inc} A_{em}} = \sqrt{8 R_A P_r} = \sqrt{8 \times 450 \times 2.29 \times 10^{-8}}$$
$$= 90.8 \times 10^{-4} = 9.08 \text{ mV peak}$$
$$\Rightarrow 6.42 \text{ mV rms}$$

2. (25 points)

A two-element Yagi antenna of identical length dipoles and inter-element separation of 0.1λ is sketched in Fig. 1.

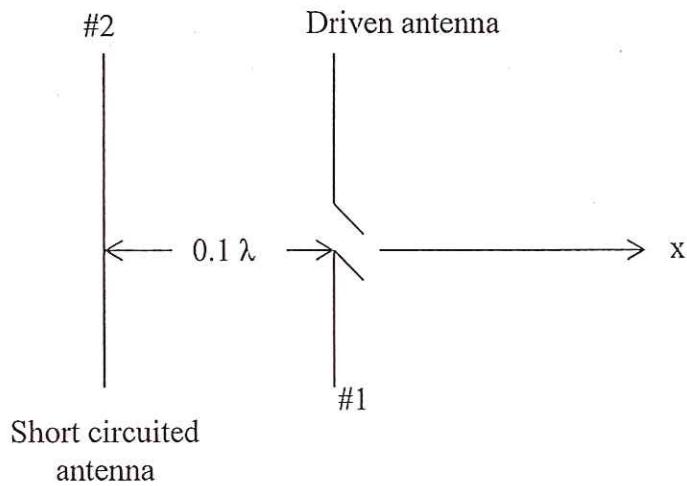


Fig. 1. A two-element Yagi antenna.

Given that the current $I_2/I_1 = 0.85 e^{j50^\circ}$ and the impedances $Z_{11} = Z_{22} = 50 - j100$ ohms,

- pts
- 7 a. calculate the mutual impedance Z_{12} between the two antennas.
 - 8 b. calculate the feed point impedance Z_1 for the driven antenna #1.
 - 10 c. would this antenna system radiate more or less to the right side of antenna #1?

For 10 extra points:

- d. calculate the **ratio** of the relative power densities on the right and left sides of the antenna along the x-axis.

2. a. $V_1 = I_1 Z_{11} + I_2 Z_{12}$ for antenna 1 (1)
 $0 = I_1 Z_{12} + I_2 Z_{22}$ for antenna 2 (2)

From Eq. (2)

$$\frac{I_2}{I_1} = -\frac{Z_{12}}{Z_{22}} = 0.85 e^{j50^\circ}$$

$$Z_{12} = -0.85 e^{j50^\circ} \left(\frac{50-j100}{11.8-j63.43} \right) = 95.03 e^{-j180^\circ} = 95.03 e^{-j13.43^\circ}$$

$$= 95.03 e^{+j166.57^\circ} = -92.43 + j22.07 \Omega$$

b. From Eq. (1)

$$Z_1 = \frac{V_1}{I_1} = Z_{11} + \frac{I_2}{I_1} Z_{12} = (50-j100) + (0.85 e^{j50^\circ}) \left(\frac{95.03}{e^{j166.57^\circ}} \right)$$

$$= (50-j100) + 80.77 e^{j216.5^\circ} = 148.77 e^{-j95.76^\circ}$$

$$= \boxed{-14.92 - j148.04}$$

c. For the right side along the x-axis, the two vectors are
 $E_{1R} \approx 0.85 e^{j50^\circ} \hat{i}$ and $E_{2R} \approx 1 e^{j0^\circ} \hat{i}$

the total E_R vector for the right side

$$|E_R| = E_{1R} + E_{2R} = \left| \left(0.85 e^{j50^\circ} + 1 \right) \right| = \sqrt{(1.825 + j0.206)} = \boxed{1.836}$$

For the left side

$$|E_L| = |E_{1L} + E_{2L}| = \left| \left(0.85 e^{j50^\circ} + 1 e^{j0^\circ} \right) \right|$$

$$= |0.546 + j0.651 + 0.809 - j0.588|$$

$$= |1.355 + j0.063| = \boxed{1.356}$$

The magnitude of the radiated E-field is larger to the right of antenna 1.

d. Ratio of power densities $= \frac{|E_R|^2}{|E_L|^2} = \left(\frac{1.836}{1.356} \right)^2 = 1.832$ (2.63 dB)

The radiated power density to the right of antenna 1 is larger by 83.2% than the radiated power density to the left of antenna 1.

3. (30 points)

A colinear antenna array of ten half-wavelength ($\lambda/2$) rectangular slots may be represented by a colinear array of complementary half-wave dipoles. Given that the center-to-center separation between this array along the z-axis is $d = \lambda$,

pts

- 7 a. write an expression for the array factor for this colinear \hat{z} -directed antenna array of slots in terms of angle θ relative to the z-axis.
- 8 b. calculate the phase shifts needed to get maximum/principal lobes of radiation for $\theta_0 = \pm 45^\circ$.
- 7 c. calculate the gain of the (slot) antenna array **neglecting** mutual impedance effects.
- 8 d. calculate the BWFN (beam width between first nulls) for the principal lobes.

3. a. From Eq.(10) on p.25 of class Notes, for a Colinear
 \hat{z} -directed antenna array

$$|AF| = \left| \frac{\sin(N\psi_z/2)}{\sin(\psi_z/2)} \right|$$

$$\psi_z = \beta d_z \cos \theta - \alpha_z = 2\pi \cos \theta - \alpha_z$$

$$d_z = \lambda$$

$$|AF| = \left| \frac{\sin(10\pi \cos \theta - 5\alpha_z)}{\sin(\pi \cos \theta - \frac{\alpha_z}{2})} \right|$$

b. For direction/s of maximum radiation

$$\frac{\psi_z}{2} = 0, \pm \pi, - -$$

$$\psi_z = 2\pi \cos \theta - \alpha_z = 0, \pm 2\pi, - -$$

for directions of maximum radiation $\theta_0 = \pm 45^\circ$

$$\alpha_z = 2\pi \cos 45^\circ, 2\pi \cos 45^\circ + 2\pi, - -$$

$$= 1.414\pi, -0.586\pi$$

Note that both of these phases α_z are essentially the same since addition or subtraction of 2π results in the same phase.

$$\text{Thus } \alpha_z = 25.45^\circ \text{ or } -105.48^\circ$$

$$c. G = N \times 1.64 = 10.64 \Rightarrow 10.27$$

d. BWF N is determined from the two directions of zero radiation

for the major lobes

From Eq.(14) on p.26 of Class Notes, for these directions

$$\psi = \pm \frac{2\pi}{N} = \pm \frac{\pi}{5}$$

$$2\pi \cos \theta - 1.414\pi = \pm \frac{\pi}{5} = \pm 0.2\pi$$

$$\cos \theta_{FN} = \frac{1.414\pi}{2\pi}; \frac{1.214\pi}{2\pi} = 0.807; 0.607$$

$$\theta_{FN} = 36.2^\circ, 52.6^\circ$$

$$\text{BWF N} = \theta_{FN2} - \theta_{FN1} = 16.43^\circ$$

4. (30 points)

Design a rectangular aperture panel antenna that may be used as a base station antenna with a **half-power beamwidth** of 90° in the horizontal plane and 15° in the vertical plane for use at the cell phone frequency of 1900 MHz. Assuming a $m = 1$, $\cos(\pi X/L)$ type distribution,

pts

- 8 a. calculate the dimensions L_x and L_y for this rectangular aperture antenna along horizontal (x) and vertical (y) axes, respectively.
- 7 b. calculate the gain of the antenna in decibels.
- 8 c. what is the power received by this antenna from a user's cell phone given that $S_{inc} = 1 \mu\text{W}/\text{m}^2$?
- 7 d. calculate the power amplification in dB required for a re-radiated power output of 5W.

Hint: This antenna may be considered similar to a pyramidal horn antenna with rectangular aperture.

4. A base station panel antenna is similar to a Pyramidal horn antenna where a sinusoidal $\cos(\frac{\pi x}{L})$ type distribution of aperture fields is assumed for the x -axis and a uniform (non-varying) distribution of electric fields

From p. 77 of Class Notes

For the horizontal H plane or xz plane

$$\frac{80^\circ \lambda}{L_x} = 90^\circ \quad L_x = \frac{8}{9} \lambda = [0.889 \lambda] = [14.04 \text{ cm}]$$

For the vertical E plane or yz plane

$$\frac{53 \lambda}{L_y} = 15^\circ \Rightarrow L_y = \frac{53}{15} \lambda = 3.53 \lambda$$

$$\text{For } f = 1900 \text{ MHz}, \lambda = 15.79 \text{ cm} \Rightarrow [55.8 \text{ cm}]$$

$$\text{b. Gain} = 0.51 \frac{4\pi L_x L_y}{\lambda^2} = 0.51 \times 4\pi \times \frac{8}{9} \times 3.53 \\ = 20.128 = 13 \text{ dBi}$$

$$\text{c. } P_r = \text{sinc } A_e = \text{sinc} \frac{\lambda^2}{4\pi} \times 0.51 \frac{4\pi L_x L_y}{\lambda^2} \\ = 10^{-6} \times 0.51 \times 0.1404 \times 0.558 = 3.995 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W}$$

d. Power amplification needed to boost the received power to 5W

$$= 10 \log \left(\frac{5}{3.995 \times 10^{-8}} \right) = 80 + 0.97 = [80.97 \text{ dB}]$$

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