

# 天线与电波传播 ANTENNAS AND WAVE PROPAGATION

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## LECTURE 10

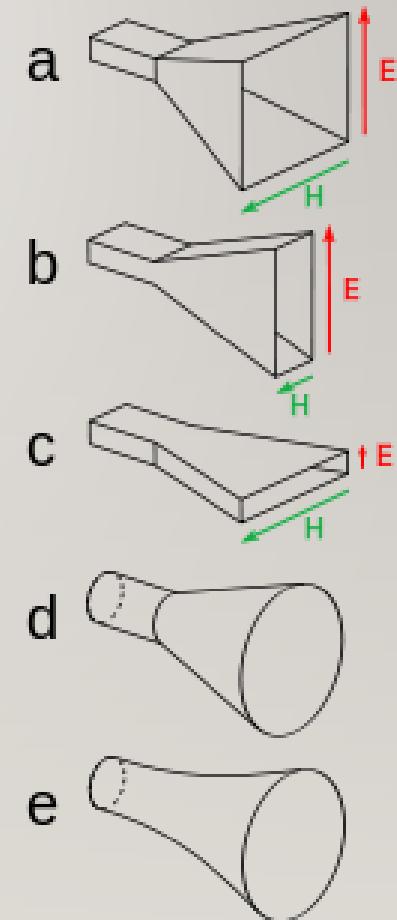
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# Feed-horns/Horn Antenna

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- Horns can be classified:
  - Rectangular horns:
    - Sectoral horns (E-plane and H plane)
    - Pyramidal horns
  - Conical horns:
    - Smooth-walled conical feed-horns
    - Corrugated conical feed-horns
  - Profiled feed-horns
    - Multimode smooth-walled feed-horns
    - Corrugated profiled feed-horns

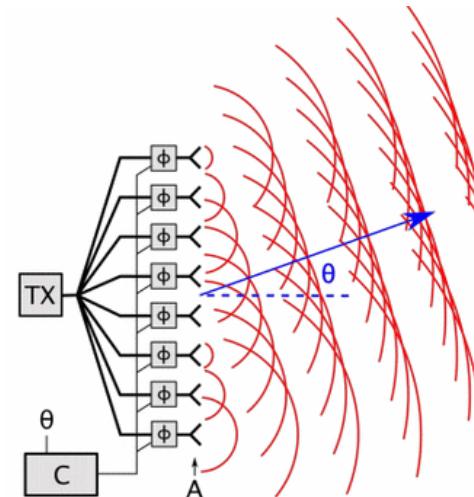


# This Week

- Linear arrays: the two-element array
- N-element array with uniform amplitude and spacing
- Broad-side array
- End-fire array
- Phased array
- Planar array
- Circular array

# Antenna arrays

- composed of multiple similar radiating elements (e.g., dipoles or horns).
- radiative properties determined by
  - element **spacing**
  - the **relative amplitudes** and **phases** of the element excitation



# Antenna arrays

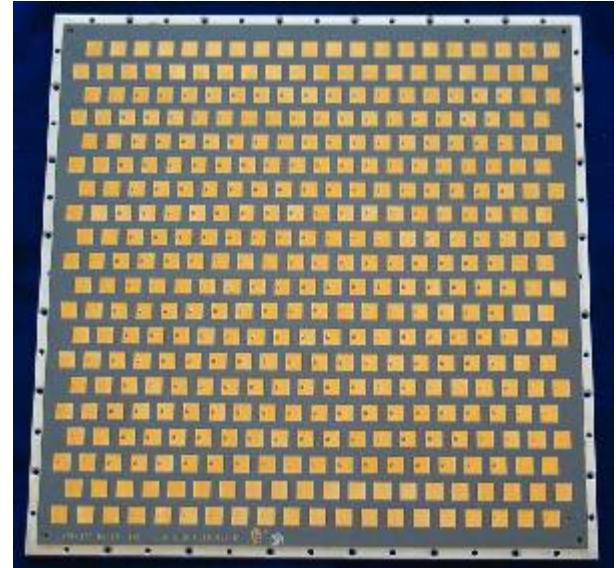


Large planar array antenna of a VHF Russian mobile air defense radar, the Nebo-M. It consists of 175 Yagi folded dipole antennas driven in phase. It radiates a narrow beam of radio waves perpendicular to the antenna.

# Antenna arrays



Linear array examples



Two-dimensional array of microstrip patch antennas



Phased Array Radar Video 4'05"

# Introduction

- Single-element antennas
  - radiation patterns relatively wide
  - relatively low directivity (gain)
- To increase **directivity** requiring **enlarging the radiating aperture**
  - maximum size much larger than  $\lambda$
  - may lead to the appearance of multiple side lobes
  - usually large and difficult to fabricate.

# Introduction

- Another way to **increase** the **electrical size** of an antenna
  - construct an assembly of radiating elements in a proper electrical and geometrical configuration—**antenna array**
- Usually, the array elements are identical
  - not necessary but it is practical and simpler for design and fabrication
  - individual elements may be of any type (wire dipoles, loops, apertures, etc.)

# Introduction

- Is this an antenna array?



- NOT AN ARRAY!

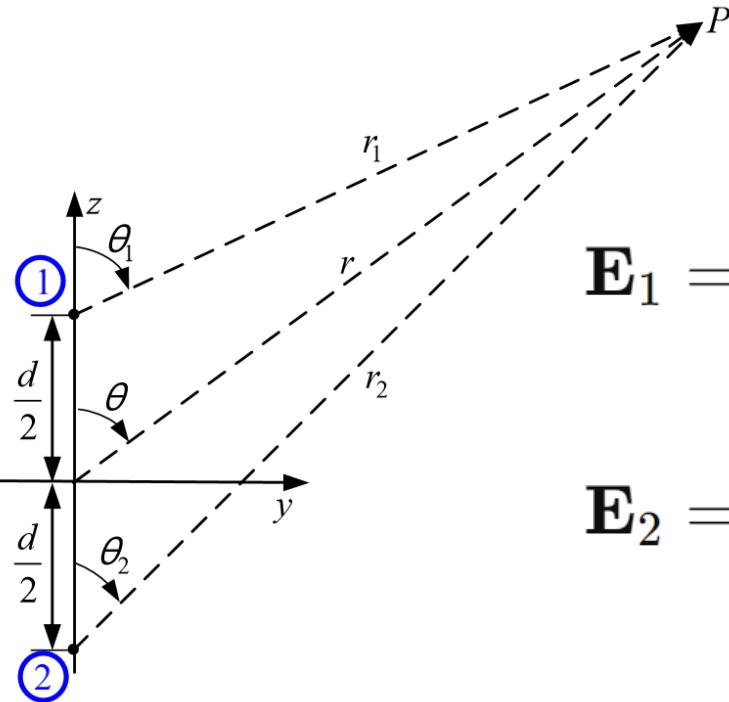
# Introduction

Five basic methods to control the overall antenna pattern:

1. the **geometrical configuration** of the **overall array**  
(linear, circular, spherical, rectangular, etc.),
2. the **relative placement** of the **elements**,
3. the **excitation amplitude** of the **individual elements**,
4. the **excitation phase** of **each element**,
5. the **individual pattern** of **each element**.

\*assuming no coupling between the elements

# Two-element Array

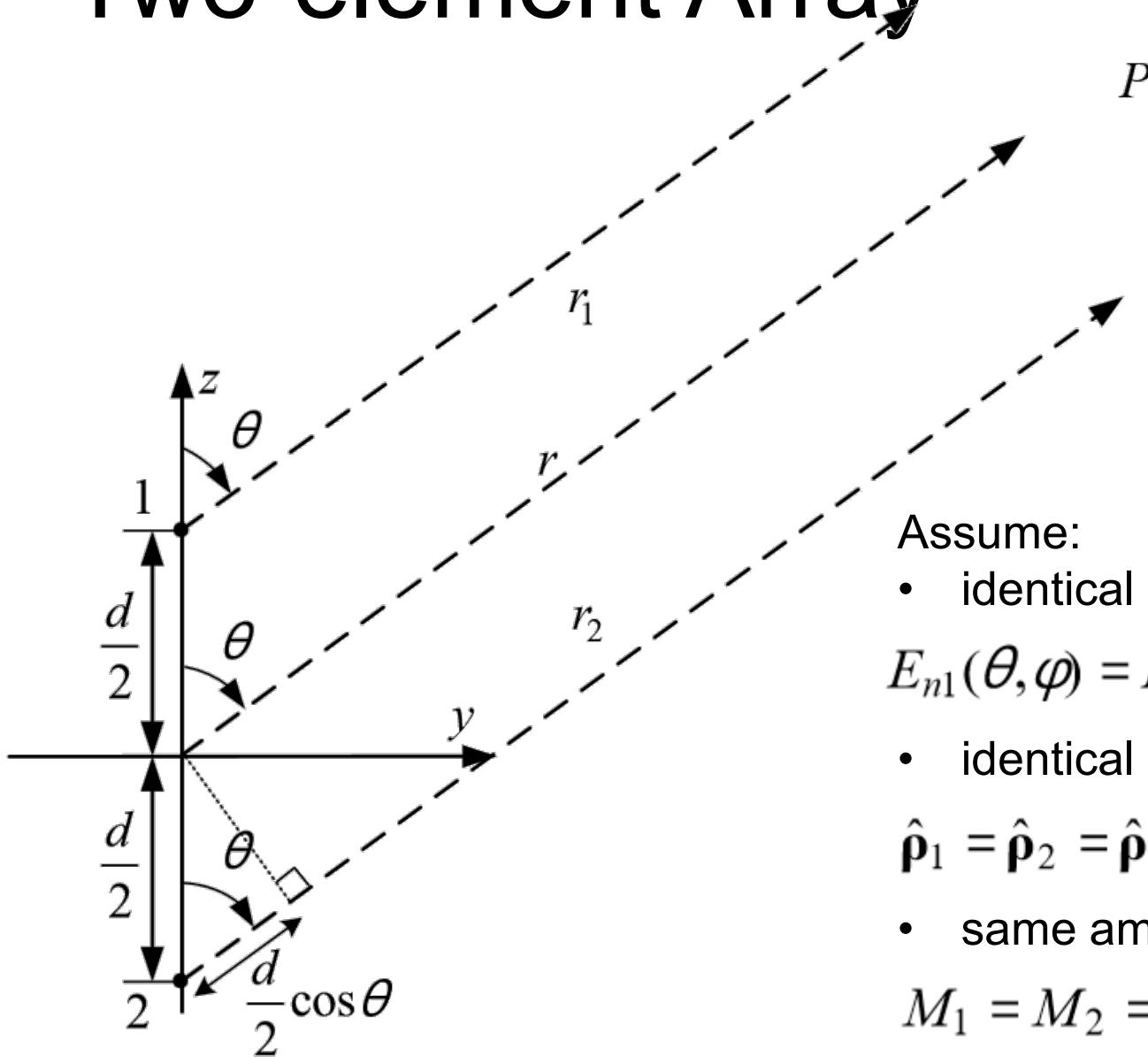


$$\mathbf{E}_1 = M_1 E_{n1}(\theta_1, \varphi_1) \frac{e^{-j(k_r r_1 - \frac{\beta}{2})}}{r_1} \hat{\rho}_1$$

$$\mathbf{E}_2 = M_2 E_{n2}(\theta_2, \varphi_2) \frac{e^{-j(k_r r_2 + \frac{\beta}{2})}}{r_2} \hat{\rho}_2$$

- $M_1, M_2$  field magnitudes (do not include the  $1/r$  factor);  
 $E_{n1}, E_{n2}$  normalized field patterns;  
 $r_1, r_2$  distances to the observation point  $P$ ;  
 $\beta$  phase difference between the feed of the two array elements;  
 $\hat{\rho}_1, \hat{\rho}_2$  polarization vectors of the far-zone  $\mathbf{E}$  fields.

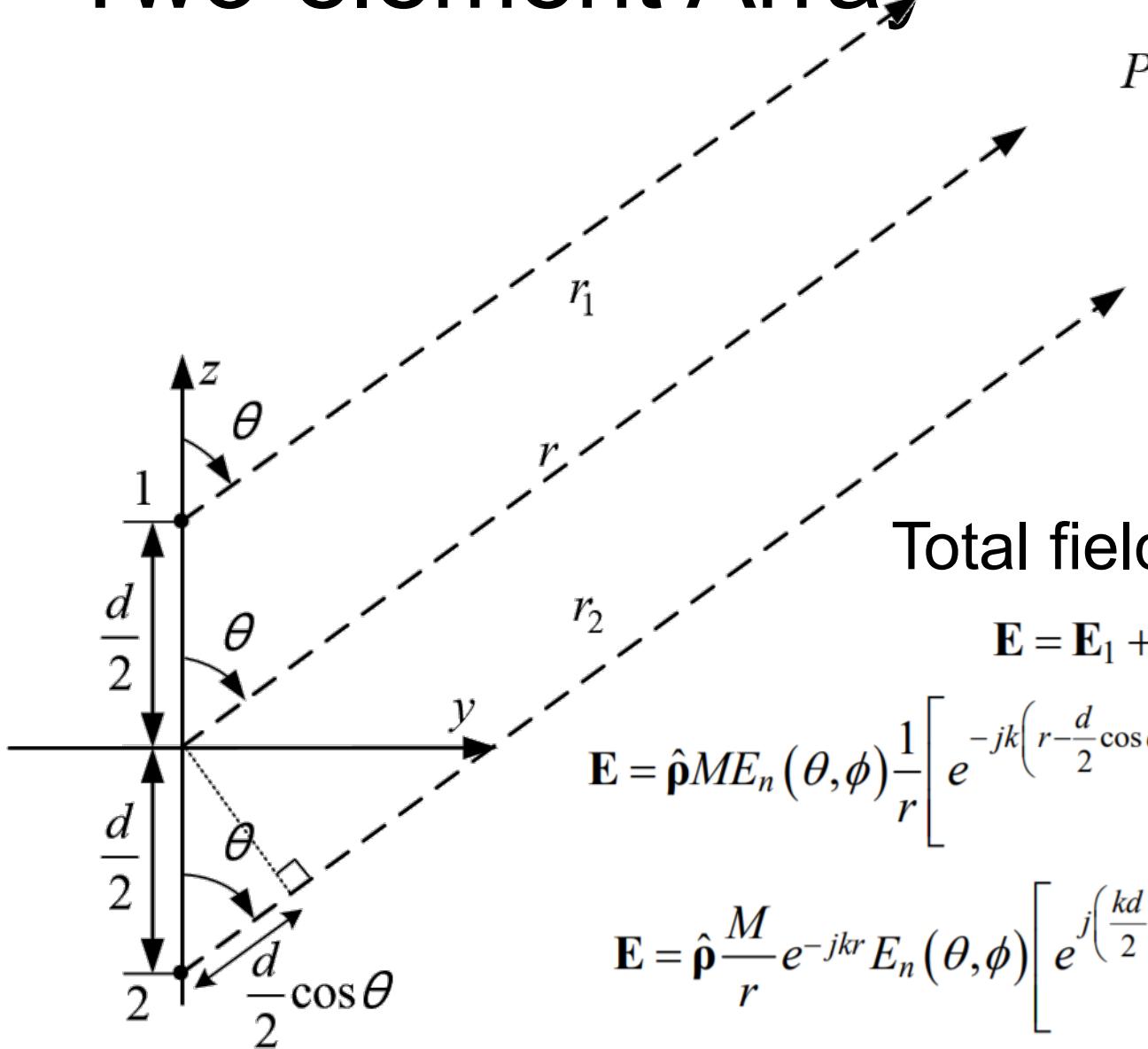
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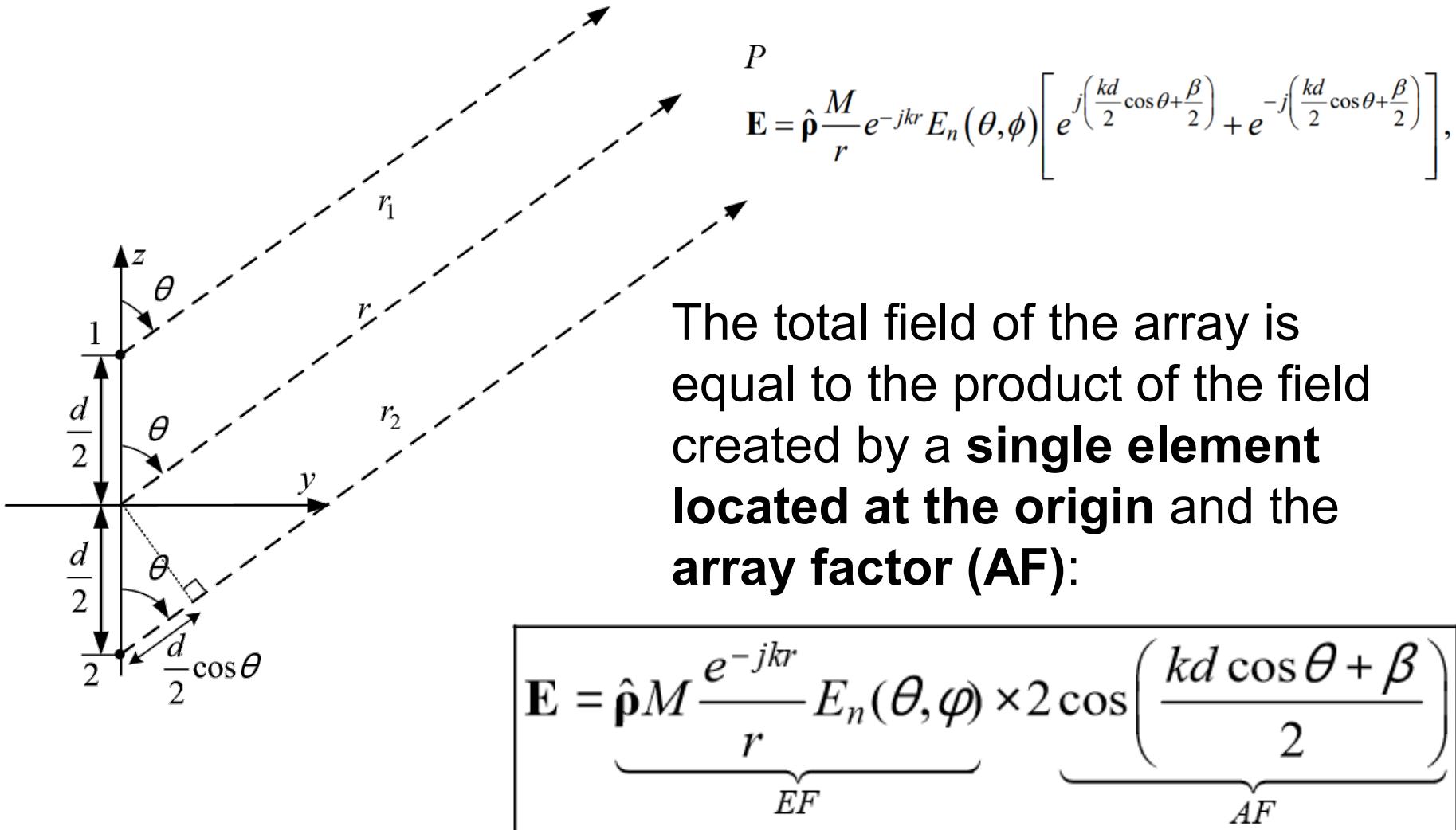
Assume:

- identical array elements  
 $E_{n1}(\theta, \varphi) = E_{n2}(\theta, \varphi) = E_n(\theta, \varphi)$
- identical polarizations  
 $\hat{\mathbf{p}}_1 = \hat{\mathbf{p}}_2 = \hat{\mathbf{p}}$
- same amplitude of excitation  
 $M_1 = M_2 = M$

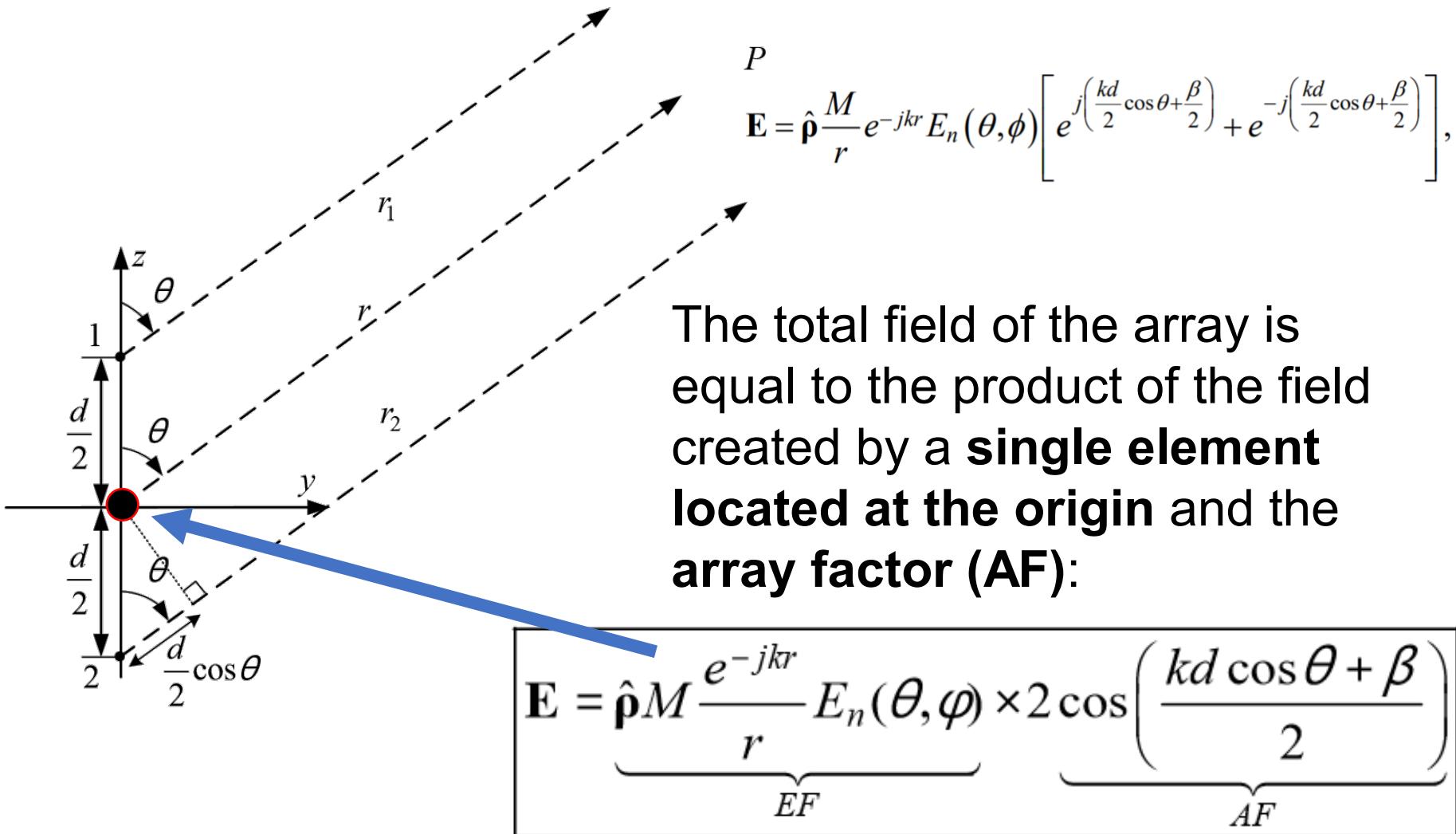
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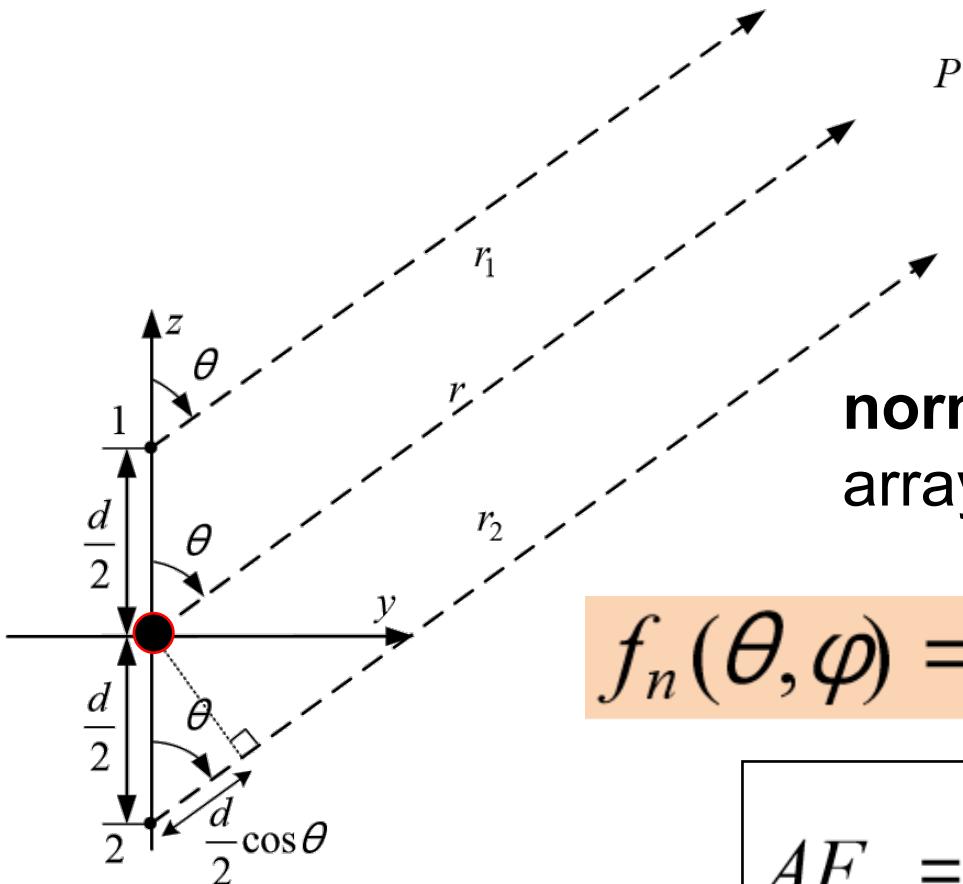
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**normalized field pattern** of the array is expressed as

$$f_n(\theta, \varphi) = E_n(\theta, \varphi) \times AF_n(\theta, \varphi)$$

$$AF_n = \cos\left(\frac{kd \cos \theta + \beta}{2}\right)$$

Note: in this case, AF does not dependent on  $\varphi$

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The principle of **pattern multiplication** states that “the radiation **pattern** of an array is the **product** of the **pattern of the individual antenna** with the **array pattern of isotropic point sources** each located at the **phase centre of the individual source**.”

The total pattern, therefore, can be controlled via the single-element pattern  $E_n(\theta, \varphi)$  or via the AF.

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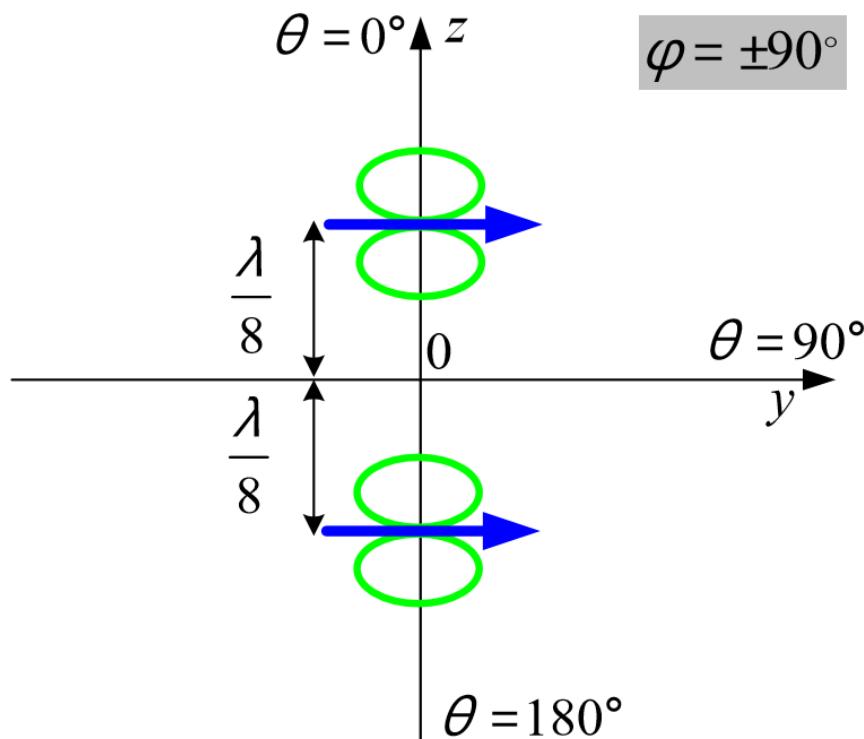
The AF, in general, depends on the:

- number of elements,
- mutual placement,
- relative excitation magnitudes and phases.

# Two-element Array Example

**Example 1:** An array consists of two horizontal infinitesimal dipoles located at a distance  $d = \frac{\lambda}{4}$  from each other. Find the nulls of the total field in the elevation plane  $\varphi = \pm 90^\circ$ , if the **excitation magnitudes are the same** and **the phase difference is**:

- a)  $\beta = 0$
- b)  $\beta = \frac{\pi}{2}$
- c)  $\beta = -\frac{\pi}{2}$



$$AF_n = \cos\left(\frac{kd \cos \theta + \beta}{2}\right)$$

## Two-element Array Example

The element factor  $E_n(\theta, \phi) = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \phi}$  does not depend on  $\beta$ , and it produces in all three cases the same null. For  $\phi = \pm 90^\circ$ ,  $E_n(\theta, \phi) = |\cos \theta|$  and the null is at

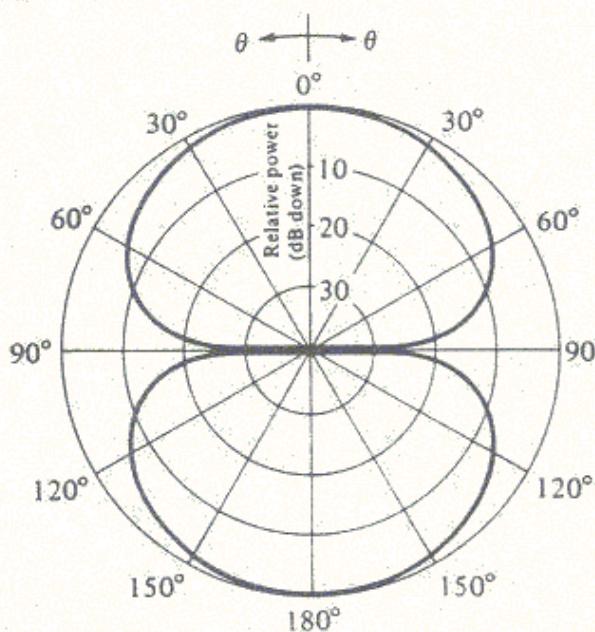
$$\theta_l = \pi/2.$$

a)  $\beta = 0$ , the null is

$$AF_n = \cos\left(\frac{kd \cos \theta_n}{2}\right) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} \cos \theta_n\right) = 0,$$

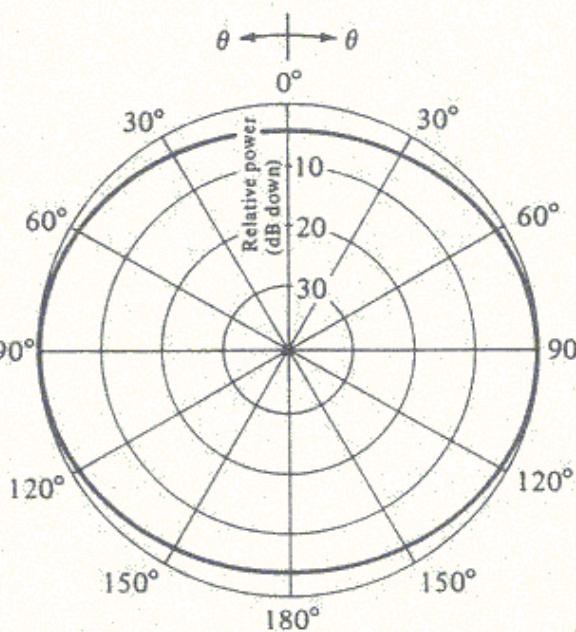
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4} \cos \theta_n = (2n+1) \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \Rightarrow \cos \theta_n = (2n+1) \cdot 2, \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

A solution with a real-valued angle does not exist. In this case, the total field pattern has only 1 null at  $\theta = 90^\circ$ .

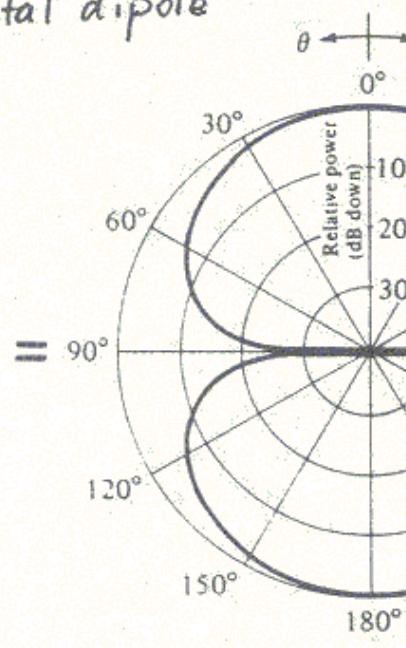


Element

*horizontal dipole*



Array factor



Total

$$N = 2$$

$$\beta = 0^\circ$$

$$d = \frac{\lambda}{4}$$

$$AF_n = \cos\left(\frac{kd \cos \theta + \beta}{2}\right)$$

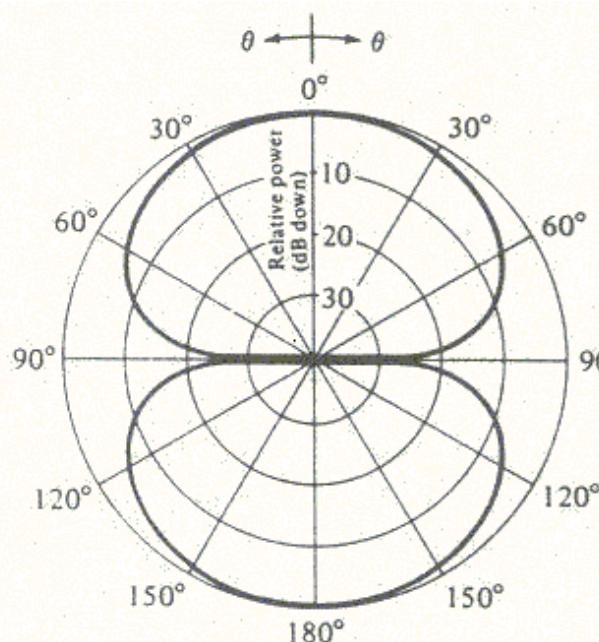
## Two-element Array Example

b)  $\beta = \pi / 2$ , the null is

$$AF_n = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} \cos \theta_n + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4} (\cos \theta_n + 1) = (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2},$$

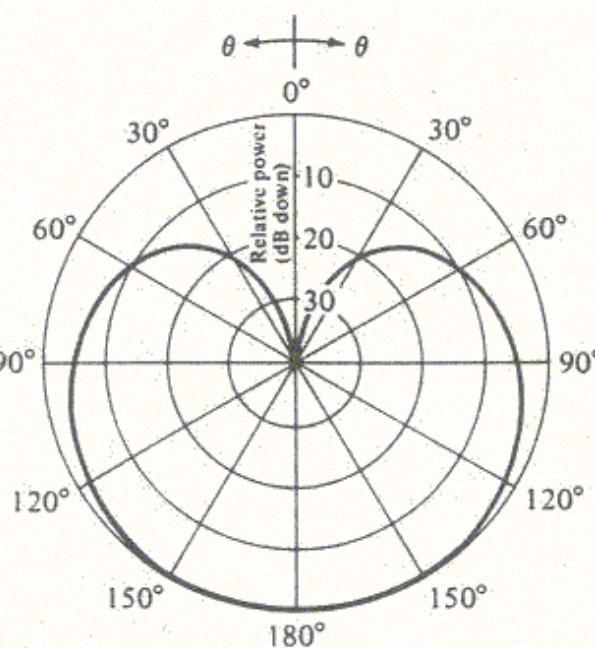
$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta_n + 1 = (2n+1) \cdot 2 \quad \Rightarrow \cos \theta_{(n=0)} = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \boxed{\theta_2 = 0}.$$

The solution for  $n=0$  is the only real-valued solution. Thus, the total field pattern has 2 nulls: at  $\theta_1 = 90^\circ$  and at  $\theta_2 = 0^\circ$ :

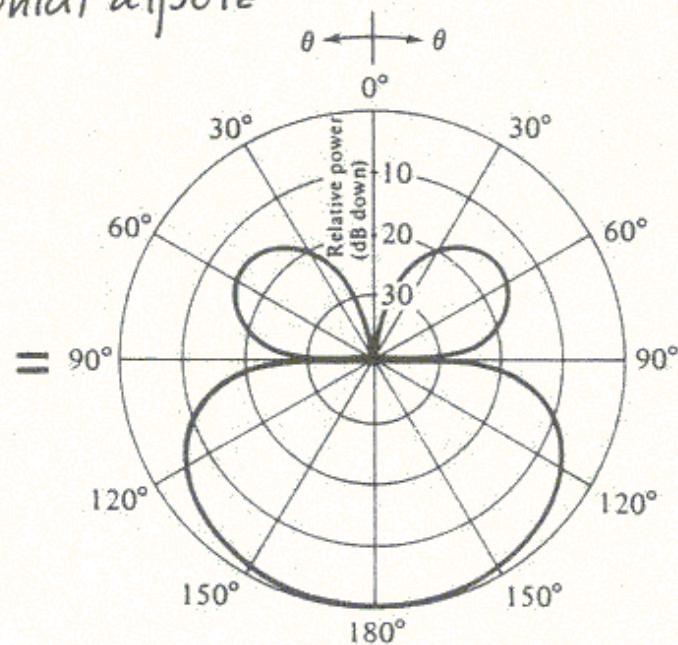


Element

horizontal dipole



Array factor



Total

$$N=2$$

$$\beta = +90^\circ$$

$$d = \lambda/4$$

$$AF_n = \cos\left(\frac{kd \cos \theta + \beta}{2}\right)$$

## Two-element Array Example

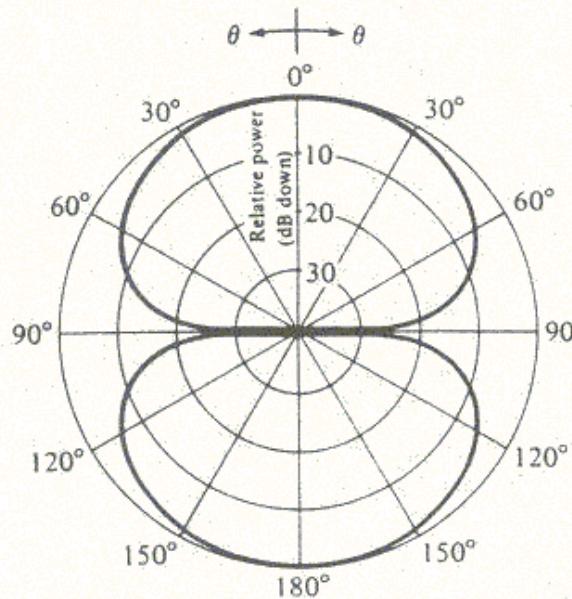
c)  $\beta = -\pi / 2$ , the null is

$$AF_n = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} \cos \theta_n - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4} (\cos \theta_n - 1) = (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2},$$

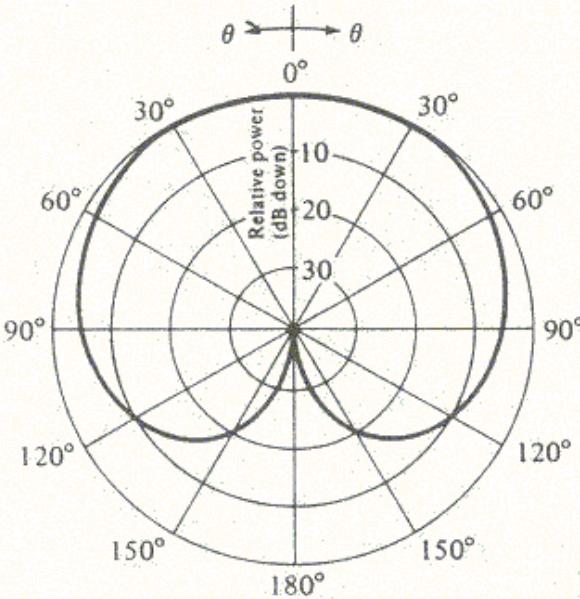
$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta_n - 1 = (2n+1) \cdot 2 \quad \Rightarrow \cos \theta_{(n=-1)} = -1 \quad \Rightarrow \boxed{\theta_2 = \pi}.$$

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The total field pattern has 2 nulls: at  $\theta_1 = 90^\circ$  and at  $\theta_2 = 180^\circ$

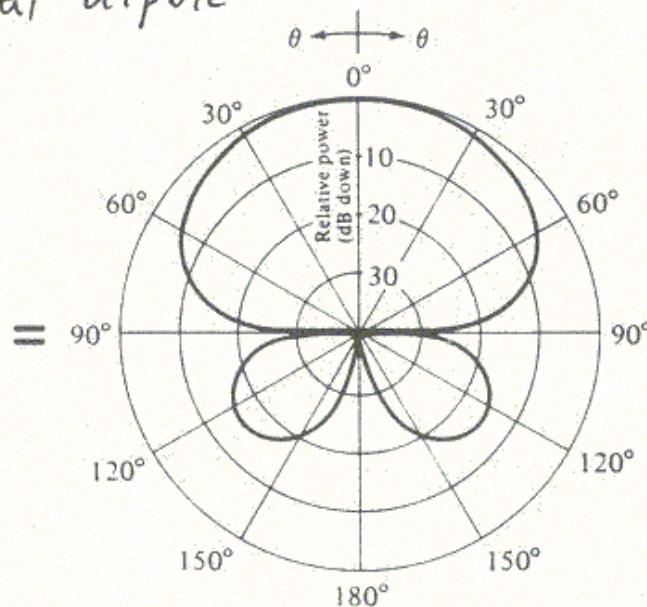


Element



Array factor

*horizontal dipole*



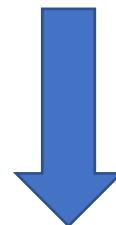
Total

$$N=2 \\ \beta = -90^\circ \\ d = \lambda/4$$

Example 2: Consider a 2-element array of identical (infinitesimal) dipoles oriented along the  $y$ -axis. Find the angles of observation where the nulls of the pattern occur in the plane  $\phi = \pm 90^\circ$  as a function of the distance  $d$  between the dipoles and the phase difference  $\beta$ .

normalized total field pattern

$$f_n = |\cos \theta| \times \cos\left(\frac{kd \cos \theta + \beta}{2}\right)$$



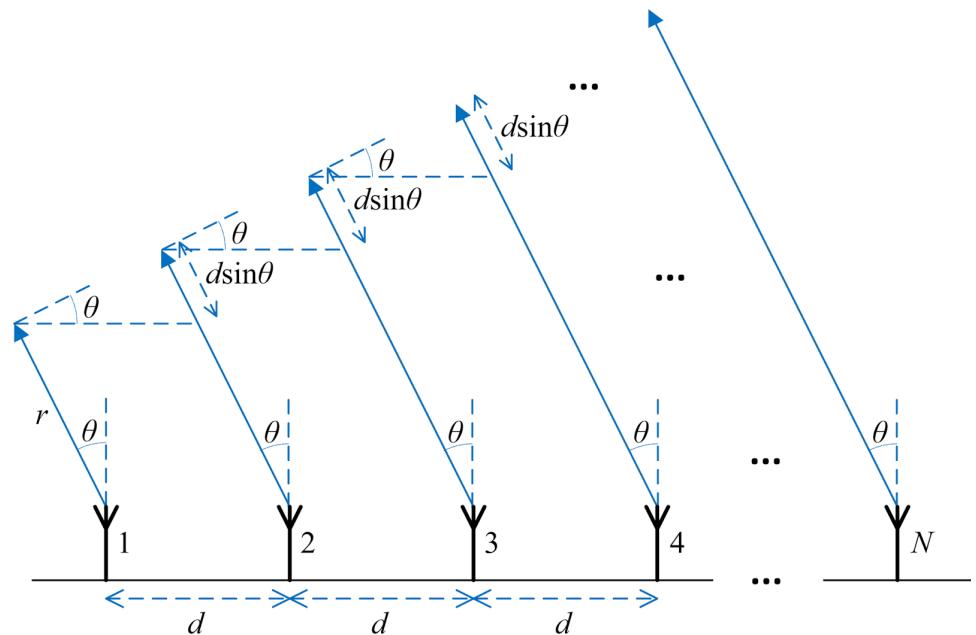
Nulls:  $f_n = 0$

$$|\cos \theta| = 0 \longrightarrow \theta_1 = \pi / 2$$

$$\cos\left(\frac{kd \cos \theta + \beta}{2}\right) = 0 \longrightarrow \theta_n = \arccos\left\{\frac{\lambda}{2\pi d}[-\beta \pm (2n+1)\pi]\right\}$$

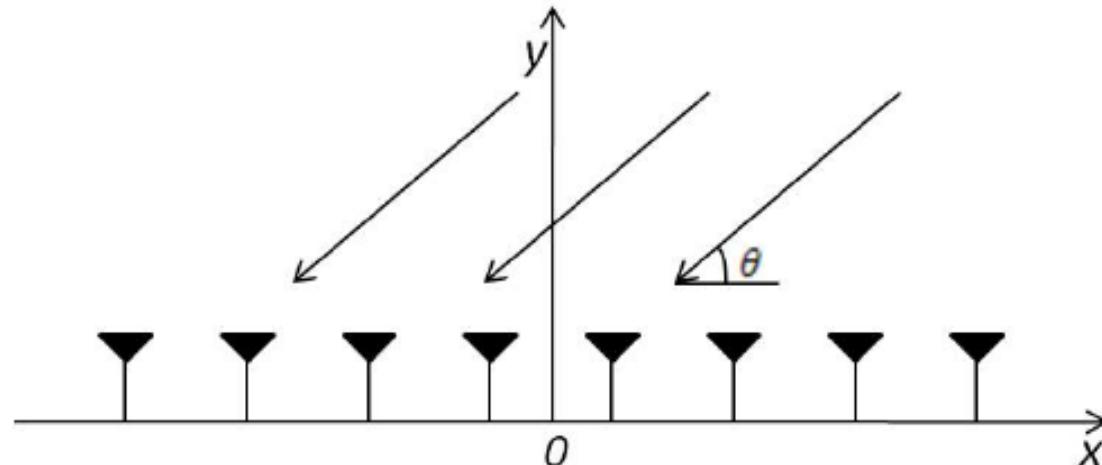
# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

- assume that each succeeding element has a  **$\beta$  progressive phase lead** in the excitation relative to the preceding one.
- An array of ***identical elements*** with ***identical magnitudes*** and with a ***progressive phase*** is called a ***uniform array***.

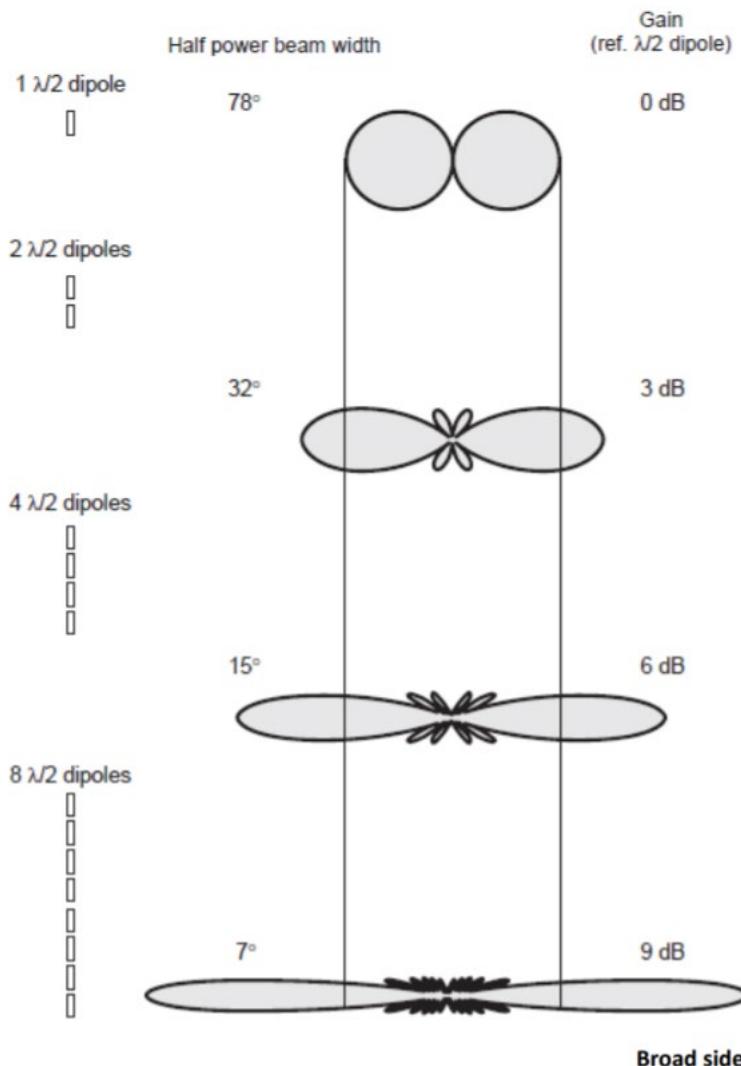


# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

- The  **$AF$**  of the uniform array can be obtained by considering **the individual elements as point (isotropic) sources**.
- The total field pattern can be obtained by simply **multiplying the  $AF$  by the normalized field pattern of the individual element** (provided the elements are not coupled).



# **N-element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**



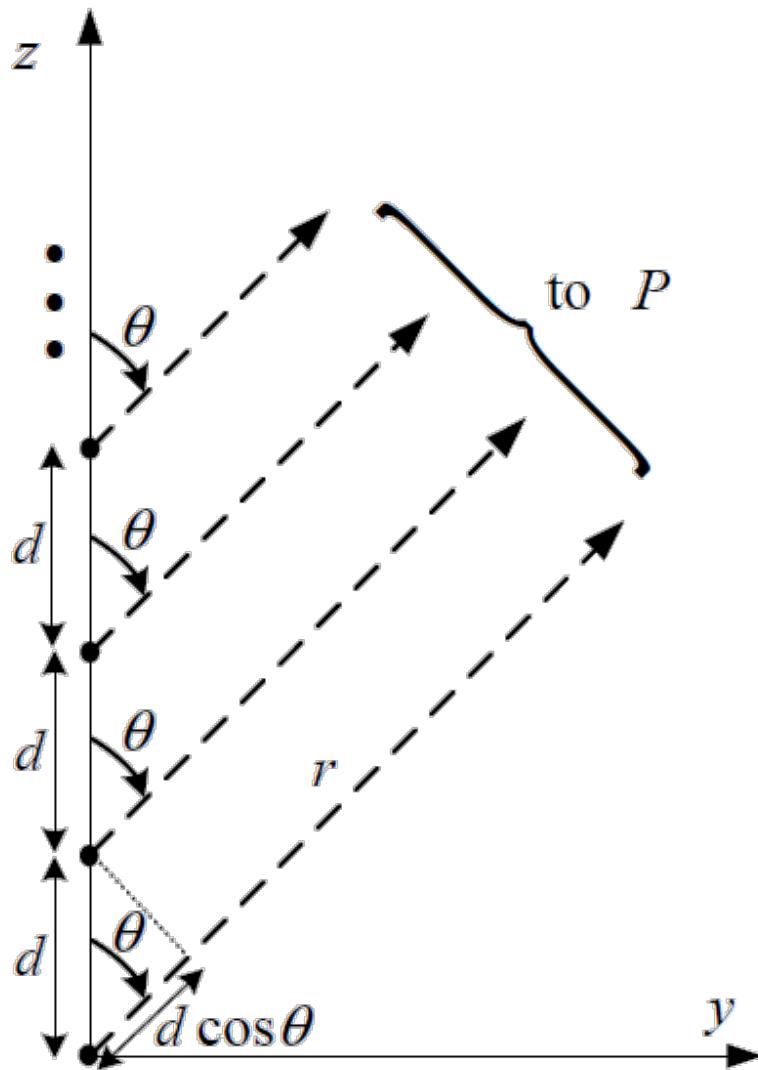
If  $\lambda/2$  dipole is reference  
i.e. its Gain considered to be = 0 dB  
(*note that  $\lambda/2$  dipole has  $D=2\text{dB}$* )  
then

2 element array increase gain by  
3dB( double gain 2 time)

4 element array increase gain by  
6dB( double gain 4 time)

8 element array could increase gain  
by 9dB( double gain 8time)

# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**



The **total field** of an **array** is a vector superposition of the **fields** radiated by the individual elements.

$$AF = 1 + e^{j(kd \cos \theta + \beta)} +$$

$$e^{j2(kd \cos \theta + \beta)} + \dots$$

$$+ e^{j(N-1)(kd \cos \theta + \beta)}$$

# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

$$AF = 1 + e^{j(kd \cos \theta + \beta)} + e^{j2(kd \cos \theta + \beta)} + \dots + e^{j(N-1)(kd \cos \theta + \beta)}$$



$$AF = \sum_{n=1}^N e^{j(n-1)(kd \cos \theta + \beta)},$$



$$AF = \sum_{n=1}^N e^{j(n-1)\psi}$$

(6-7)

$$\text{where } \psi = kd \cos \theta + \beta$$

$AF$ s of uniform linear arrays can be controlled by the relative phase  $\beta$  between the elements.

# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

$$AF = \sum_{n=1}^N e^{j(n-1)\psi} \quad (6-7)$$

where  $\psi = kd \cos \theta + \beta$

(6-7)  $\times e^{j\psi}$  on both sides



$$AF \cdot e^{j\psi} = \sum_{n=1}^N e^{jn\psi} \quad (6-8)$$

(6-8) – (6-7)



closed form

$$AF \cdot e^{j\psi} - AF = e^{jN\psi} - 1$$



$$AF = \frac{e^{jN\psi} - 1}{e^{j\psi} - 1}$$

# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

$AF$  in a **closed form** can be further derived applying trigonometric identities.

$$AF = \frac{e^{jN\psi} - 1}{e^{j\psi} - 1} = \frac{e^{j\frac{N}{2}\psi} \left( e^{j\frac{N}{2}\psi} - e^{-j\frac{N}{2}\psi} \right)}{e^{j\frac{\psi}{2}} \left( e^{j\frac{\psi}{2}} - e^{-j\frac{\psi}{2}} \right)},$$

$$AF = e^{j\left(\frac{N-1}{2}\right)\psi} \cdot \frac{\sin(N\psi/2)}{\sin(\psi/2)}.$$

# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

the **phase factor** represents shift of the array's phase center relative to the origin, if the reference point is the physical center of the array, this term can be neglected

$$AF = e^{j\left(\frac{N-1}{2}\right)\psi} \cdot \frac{\sin(N\psi/2)}{\sin(\psi/2)}.$$

$$AF = \frac{\sin(N\psi/2)}{\sin(\psi/2)}$$

For small values of  $\psi$

$$AF = \frac{\sin(N\psi/2)}{\psi/2} \rightarrow AF_{max} = N$$

# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

Normalized  $AF$  (It can be shown  $AF_{max} = N$ )

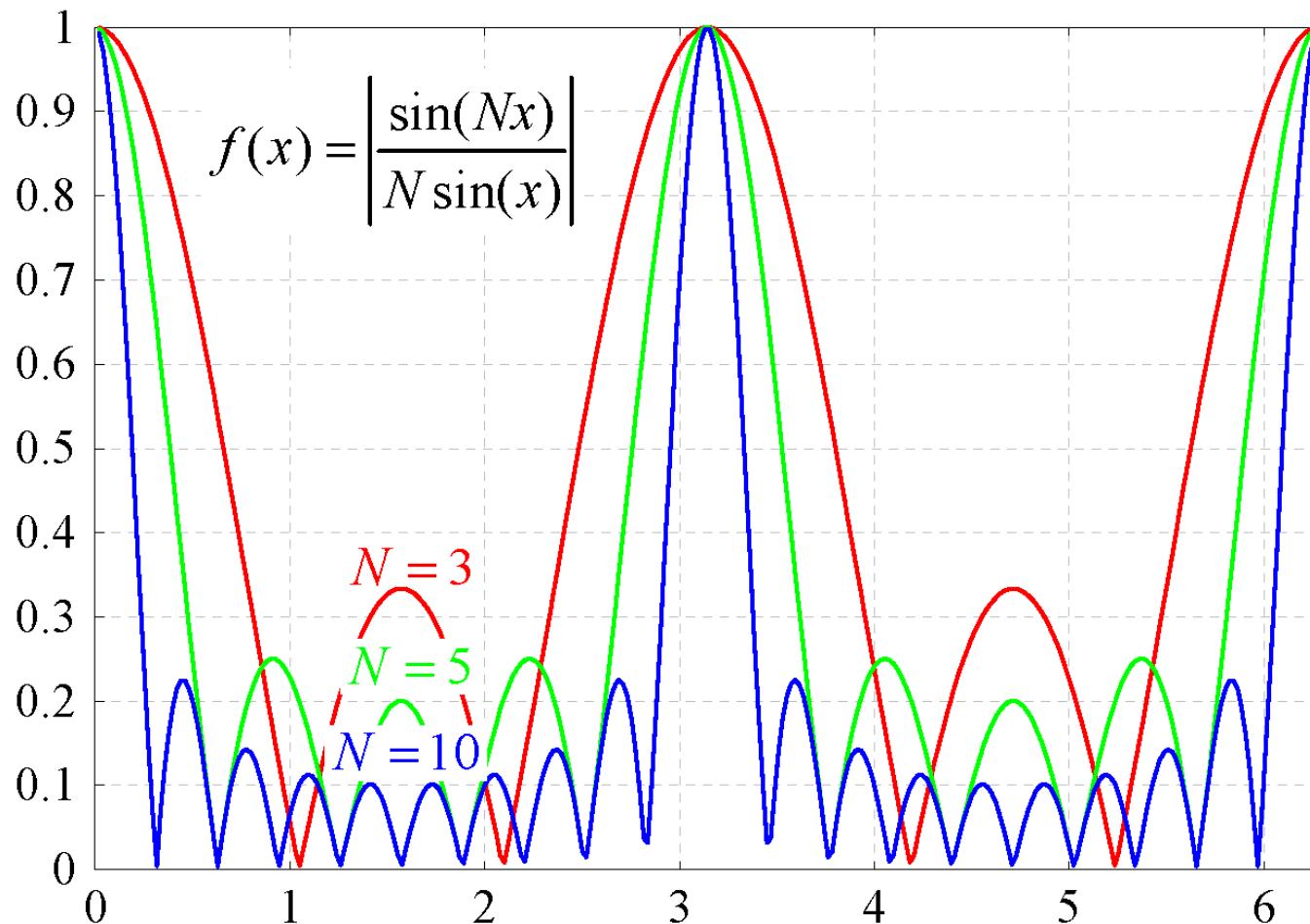
$$AF_n = \frac{\sin(N\psi/2)}{N \sin(\psi/2)}$$

Normalized  $AF$  for small values of  $\psi$

$$AF_n = \frac{1}{N} \left[ \frac{\sin(N\psi/2)}{\psi/2} \right]$$

# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

Normalized AF



$$AF_n = \frac{\sin(N\psi/2)}{N \sin(\psi/2)}$$

# N-element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing

Null of the AF

$$\sin\left(\frac{N}{2}\psi\right) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{N}{2}\psi = \pm n\pi \Rightarrow \frac{N}{2}(kd \cos\theta_n + \beta) = \pm n\pi$$

$$\theta_n = \arccos\left[\frac{\lambda}{2\pi d}\left(-\beta \pm \frac{2n}{N}\pi\right)\right], \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots (n \neq 0, \underline{N}, 2N, 3N, \dots)$$

When  $n = 0, N, 2N, 3N, \dots$ , the AF attains its **maximum** values not nulls.

The values of  $n$  determine the order of the nulls. For a null to exist, the argument of the arccosine must be between  $-1$  and  $+1$ .

# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

**Major maxima** of the AF

$$AF_n = \frac{\sin(N\psi/2)}{N \sin(\psi/2)}$$

$$\frac{\psi}{2} = \frac{1}{2}(kd \cos \theta_m + \beta) = \pm m\pi,$$

$$\theta_m = \arccos \left[ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi d} (-\beta \pm 2m\pi) \right], \quad m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Many major maxima exist,  $m$  is the maximum's order.

# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

For small  $d/\lambda$ , single maximum is obtained

$$\theta_m = \theta_0 = \arccos\left(-\frac{\beta\lambda}{2\pi d}\right)$$

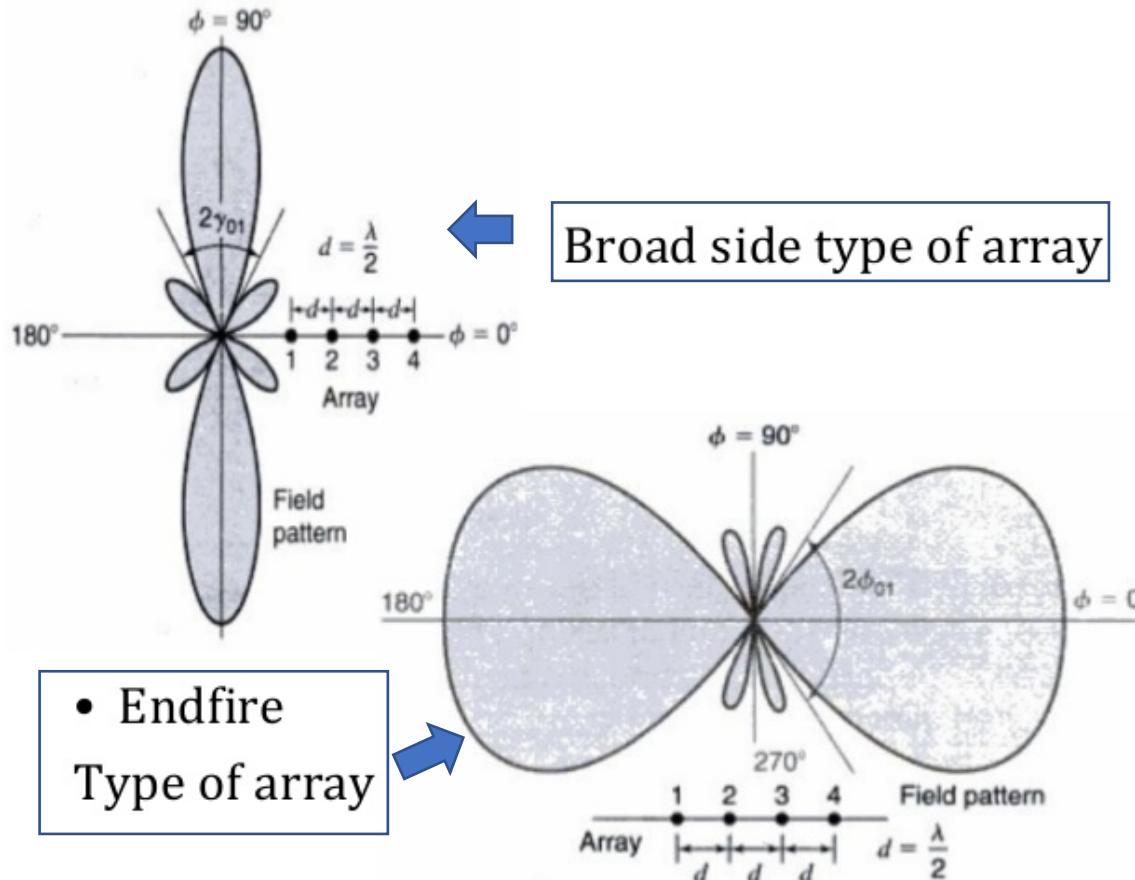
HPBW of a major lobe

$$HPBW = 2 |\theta_m - \theta_h|$$

$$\theta_h = \arccos\left[\frac{\lambda}{2\pi d} \left( -\beta \pm \frac{2.782}{N} \right) \right] \Bigg|_{AF_n=1/\sqrt{2}}$$

# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

**Broadside array** (maximum radiation at  $\theta = 90^\circ$  or (normal to the axis of the array)



# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

**Broadside array** (maximum radiation at  $\theta_m = 90^\circ$  or (normal to the axis of the array))

$$\psi = kd \cos \theta_m + \beta = 0$$



$$\boxed{\beta = 0}$$

The uniform linear array has its maximum radiation at  $\theta = 90^\circ$ , if all array elements have their **excitation with the same phase**.

To ensure that there are **no maxima in other directions**, the separation has to satisfy  $d < \lambda$

# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

**End-fire array** (maximum radiation at  $\theta_m = 0^\circ$  or  $\theta_m = 180^\circ$  (normal to the axis of the array))

$$\psi = kd \cos \theta_m + \beta = 0$$



$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\beta = -kd, \text{ for } \theta_{\max} = 0^\circ}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\beta = kd, \text{ for } \theta_{\max} = 180^\circ}$$

To ensure that there are **no maxima in other directions**, the separation has to satisfy  $d < \lambda$

# **N-element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

- **Phased (Scanning) Arrays** The direction of the main beam can be **controlled by the phase shift  $\beta$** .
- When the scanning is required to be continuous, the feeding system must be capable of **continuously varying the progressive phase  $\beta$**  between the elements. This is accomplished by ferrite or diode shifters (varactors).
- This is the **basic principle of electronic scanning** for phased arrays.
- maximum ( $m=0$ ) of 0<sup>th</sup> order  $AF_n$  occurs when

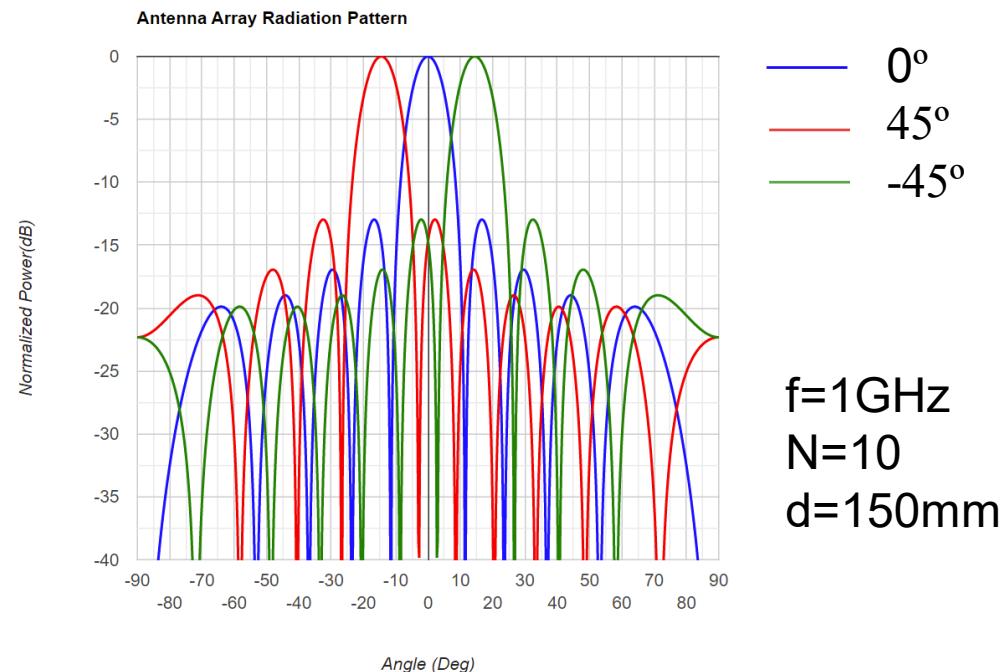
$$\psi = kd \cos \theta_0 + \beta = 0$$

# **N-element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

Example: Derive the values of the progressive phase shift  $\beta$  as dependent on the direction of the main beam  $\theta_0$  for a uniform linear array with  $d = \lambda / 4$ .

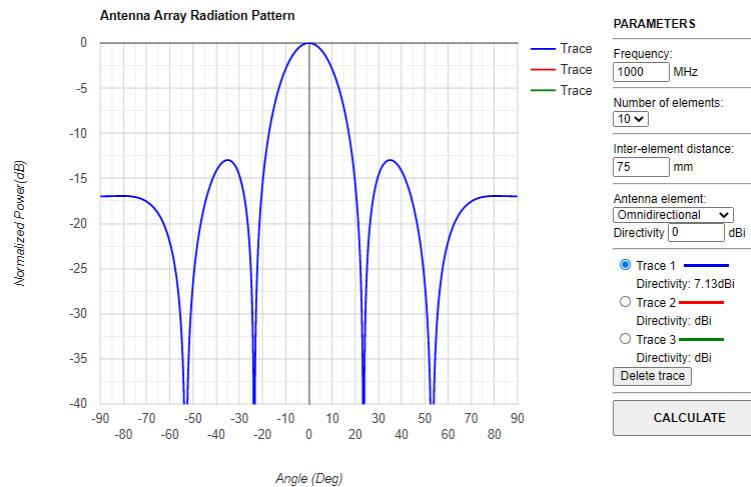
$$\beta = -kd \cos \theta_0 = -\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \frac{\lambda}{4} \cos \theta_0 = -\frac{\pi}{2} \cos \theta_0$$

$\theta_0$	$\beta$
0°	-90°
60°	-45°
120°	+45°
180°	+90°



# **N-element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

## **Antenna Array Factor Calculator**



Feeding coefficients:											
Choose distribution:	Uniform	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9	#10
Magnitude:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Power	<input type="radio"/> Voltage	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Phase delays (°)											
Choose distribution:	Progressive	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9	#10
Step:	0 °	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Distances to origin (mm)											
Choose distribution:	Equispaced	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9	#10
Step:	75 mm	0	75	150	225	300	375	450	525	600	675

Data values:	Press 'View data' to see data values. Press 'Select all' to select text and 'Ctrl+C' to copy data to clipboard.
<input type="button" value="View data"/>	<input type="button" value="Select all"/>

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# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

- ***Phased (Scanning) Arrays***

broadside array

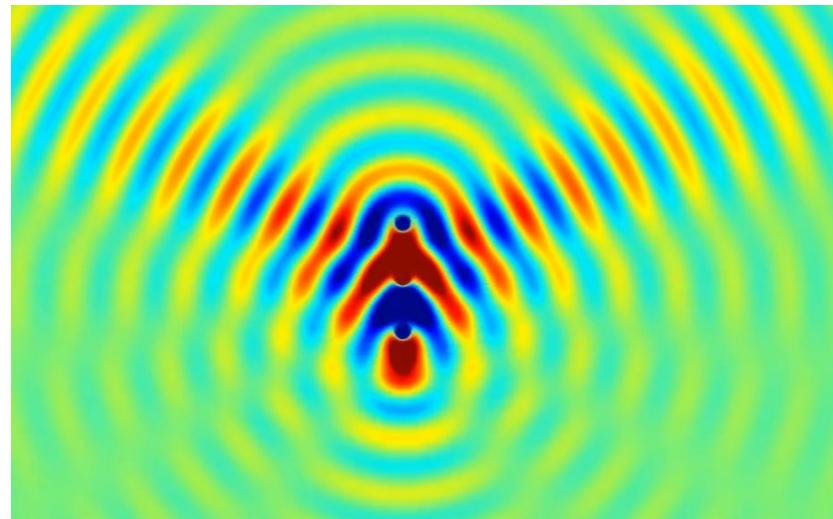
$$HPBW = \arccos\left[\cos\theta_0 - \frac{2.782}{Nkd}\right] - \arccos\left[\cos\theta_0 + \frac{2.782}{Nkd}\right]$$

end-fire arrays

$$HPBW = 2 \arccos\left(1 - \frac{2.782}{Nkd}\right)$$

# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

- Radiation by a 6-element array of Hertzian dipole antennas.
- Perspective taken along the planar at  $z = 0$  (looking down).
- Frequency of excitation is 300 MHz with a progressive phase shift along each element.
- A steered beam.



# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**



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All calculations performed analytically on the Hertzian dipole model.

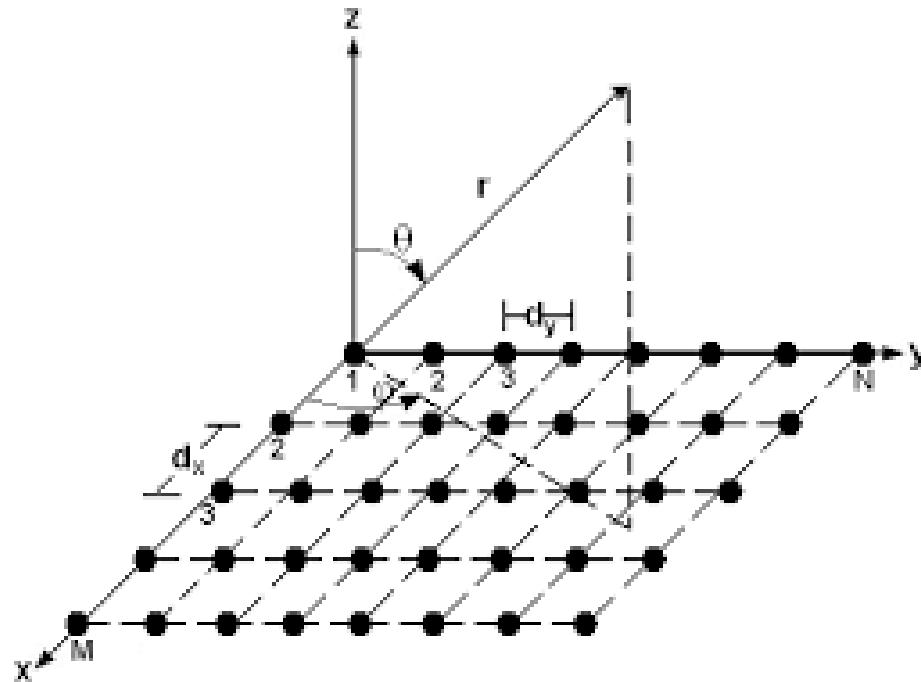
# **$N$ -element Linear Array with Uniform Amplitude and Spacing**

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# Planar Arrays

- individual radiators positioned **along a rectangular grid** to form a rectangular or planar array.
- provide **additional variables** used **to control and shape the pattern** of the array.



# **Planar Arrays**

- **more versatile**
- **more symmetrical patterns with lower side lobes.**
- scan the main beam of the antenna **toward any point in space.**
- Applications include tracking radar, search radar, remote sensing, communications, and many others.

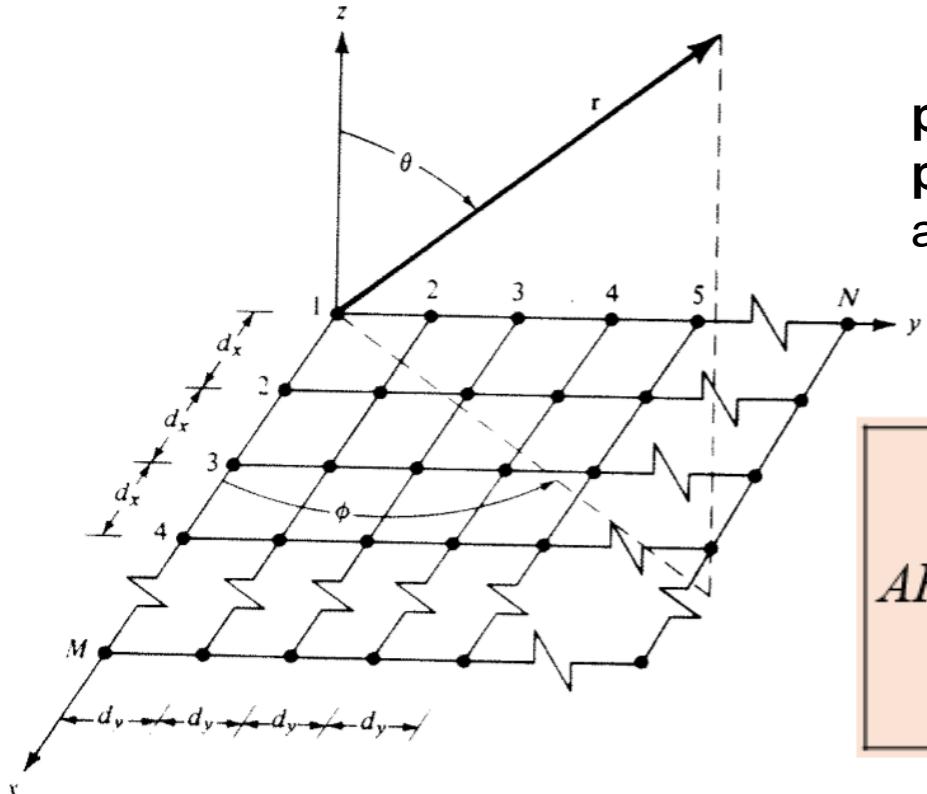


# Planar Arrays

A planar array of slots, used in the Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS), is shown. It utilizes rectangular waveguide sticks placed vertically, with slots on the narrow wall of the waveguides. The system has 360° view of the area, and at operating altitudes can detect targets hundreds of kilometers away. It is usually mounted at a height above the fuselage of an aircraft.



# Planar Arrays



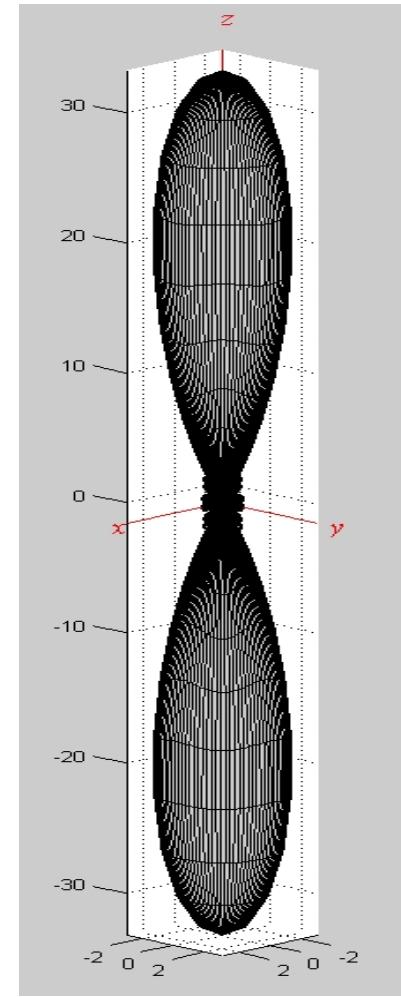
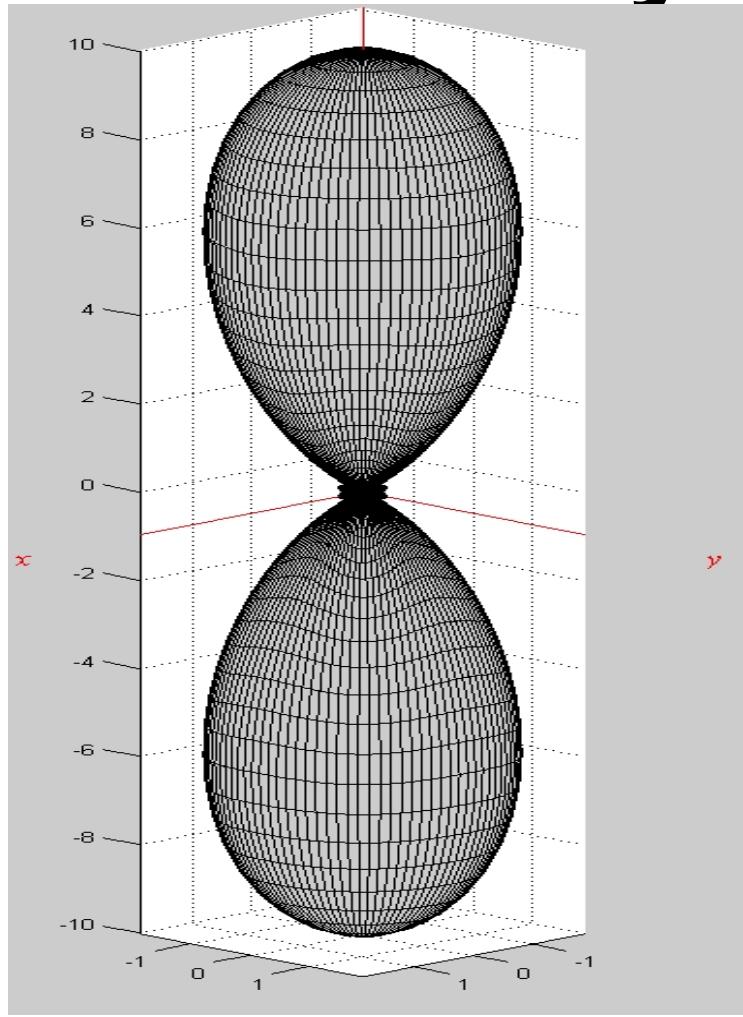
**pattern** of a rectangular array is the **product** of the **array factors** of the linear arrays in the  $x$  and  $y$  directions.

$$AF_n(\theta, \phi) = \left[ \frac{\sin\left(M \frac{\psi_x}{2}\right)}{M \sin\left(\frac{\psi_x}{2}\right)} \right] \cdot \left[ \frac{\sin\left(N \frac{\psi_y}{2}\right)}{N \sin\left(\frac{\psi_y}{2}\right)} \right]$$

$$\psi_x = kd_x \sin \theta \cos \phi + \beta_x$$

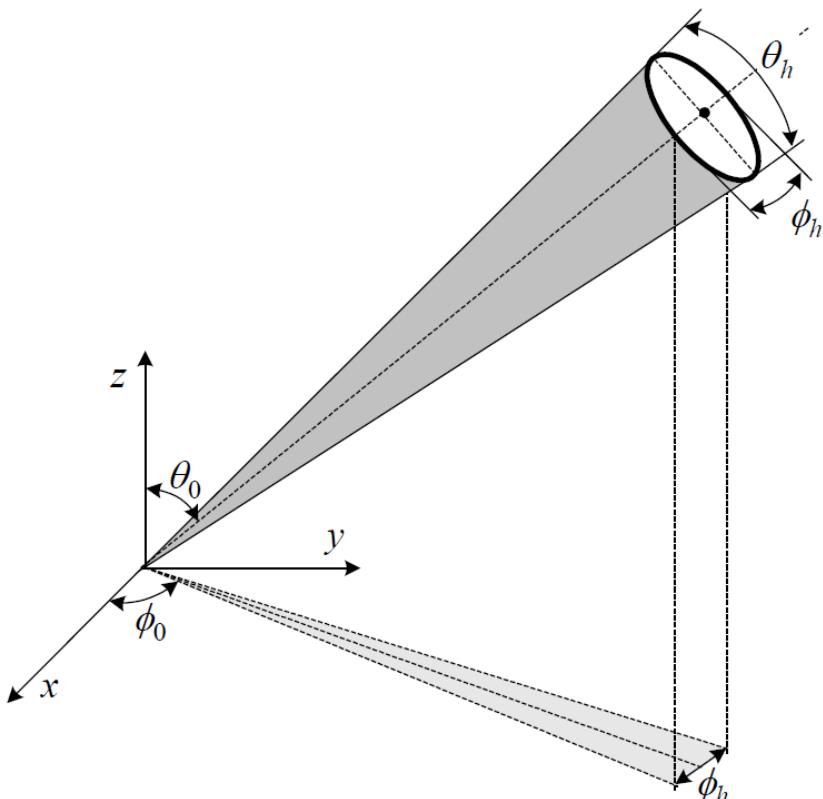
$$\psi_y = kd_y \sin \theta \sin \phi + \beta_y$$

# Planar Arrays



directivity patterns of a 5-element square planar uniform array  $\beta x = \beta y = 0$   
(a)  $d = \lambda/4$ ,  $D_0 = 10.0287$  (10.0125 dB) (b)  $d = \lambda/2$ ,  $D_0 = 33.2458$  (15.2174 dB)

# Planar Arrays-beamwidth



For a large array, whose maximum is near the broad side, the elevation plane HPBW is approximately:

$$\theta_h = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\cos^2 \theta_0 [\Delta\theta_x^{-2} \cos^2 \phi_0 + \Delta\theta_y^{-2} \sin^2 \phi_0]}}$$

$$\phi_h = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\Delta\theta_x^{-2} \sin^2 \phi_0 + \Delta\theta_y^{-2} \cos^2 \phi_0}}$$

- $(\theta_0, \phi_0)$  specify the main-beam direction;
- $\Delta\theta_x$  is the HPBW of a linear broadside array whose number of elements  $M$  and amplitude distribution is the same as that of the  $x$ -axis linear arrays building the planar array;
- $\Delta\theta_y$  is the HPBW of a linear BSA whose number of elements  $N$  and amplitude distribution is the same as those of the  $y$ -axis linear arrays building the planar array.

# Planar Arrays-beamwidth

beam solid angle of the planar array

$$\Omega_A = \theta_h \cdot \phi_h,$$

or

$$\Omega_A = \frac{\Delta\theta_x \Delta\theta_y}{\cos\theta_0 \sqrt{\left[ \sin^2\phi_0 + \frac{\Delta\theta_y^2}{\Delta\theta_x^2} \cos^2\phi_0 \right] \left[ \sin^2\phi_0 + \frac{\Delta\theta_x^2}{\Delta\theta_y^2} \cos^2\phi_0 \right]}}.$$

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$\Delta\theta_y$  is the HPBW of a linear BSA of  $N$  elements and amplitude distribution is the same as those of the  $y$ -axis linear arrays building the planar array.

# Planar Arrays-Directivity

$$D_0 = \pi D_x D_y \cos \theta_0$$

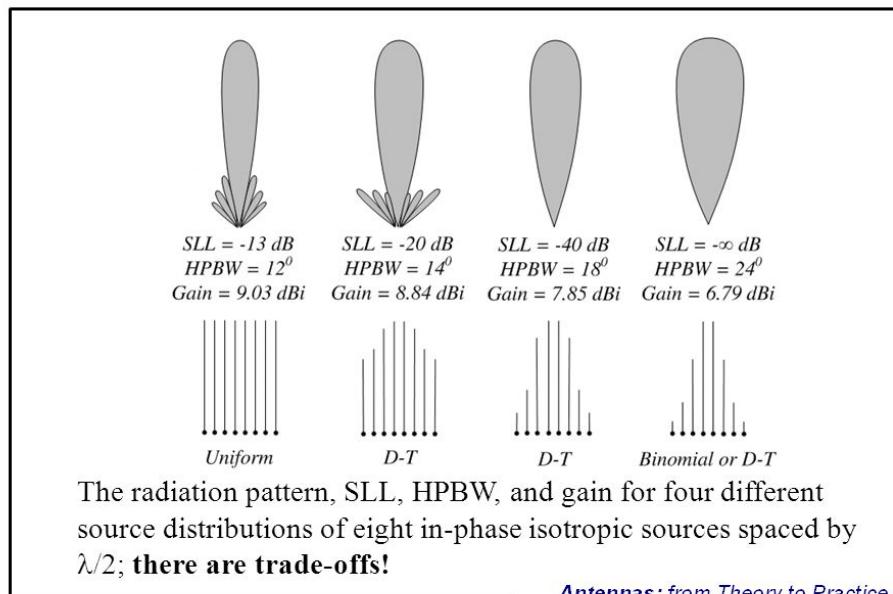
$D_x$  is the directivity of the respective linear BSA,  $x$ -axis;  
 $D_y$  is the directivity of the respective linear BSA,  $y$ -axis.

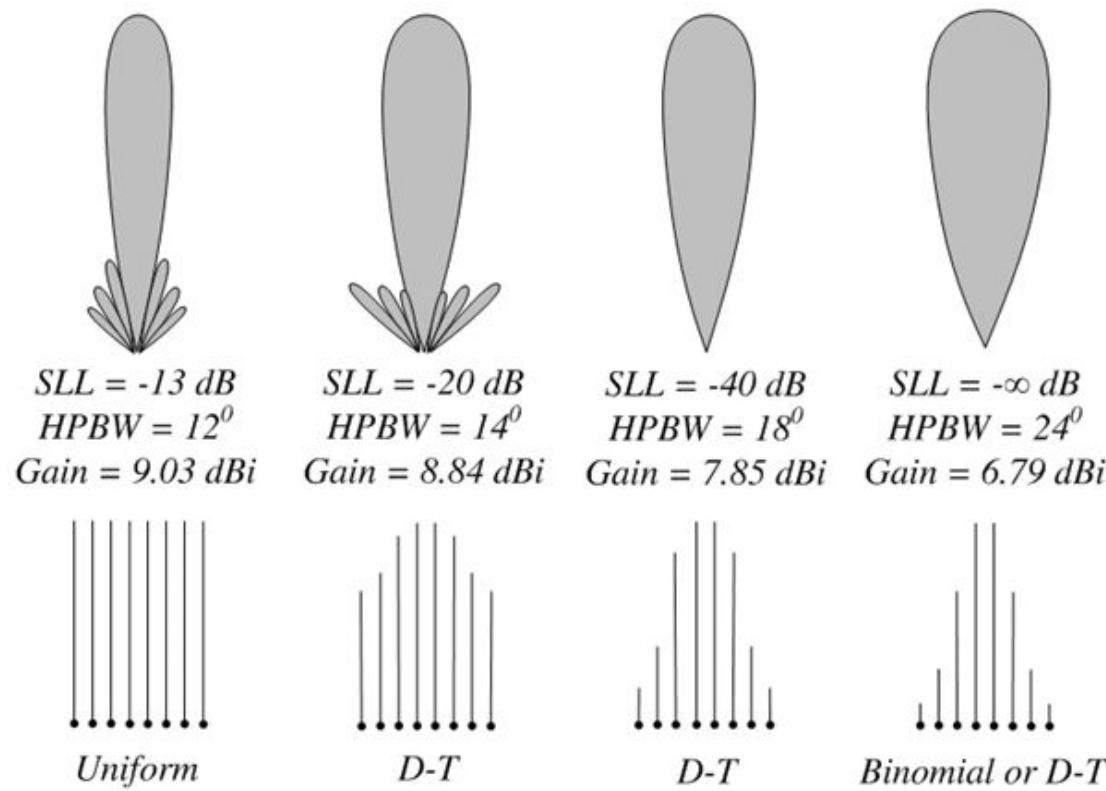
We can also use the array solid beam angle  $\Omega_A$  to calculate the approximate directivity of a nearly broadside planar array

$$D_0 \approx \frac{\pi^2}{\Omega_A [\text{Sr}]} \approx \frac{32400}{\Omega_A [\text{deg}^2]}$$

# Planar Arrays-Directivity

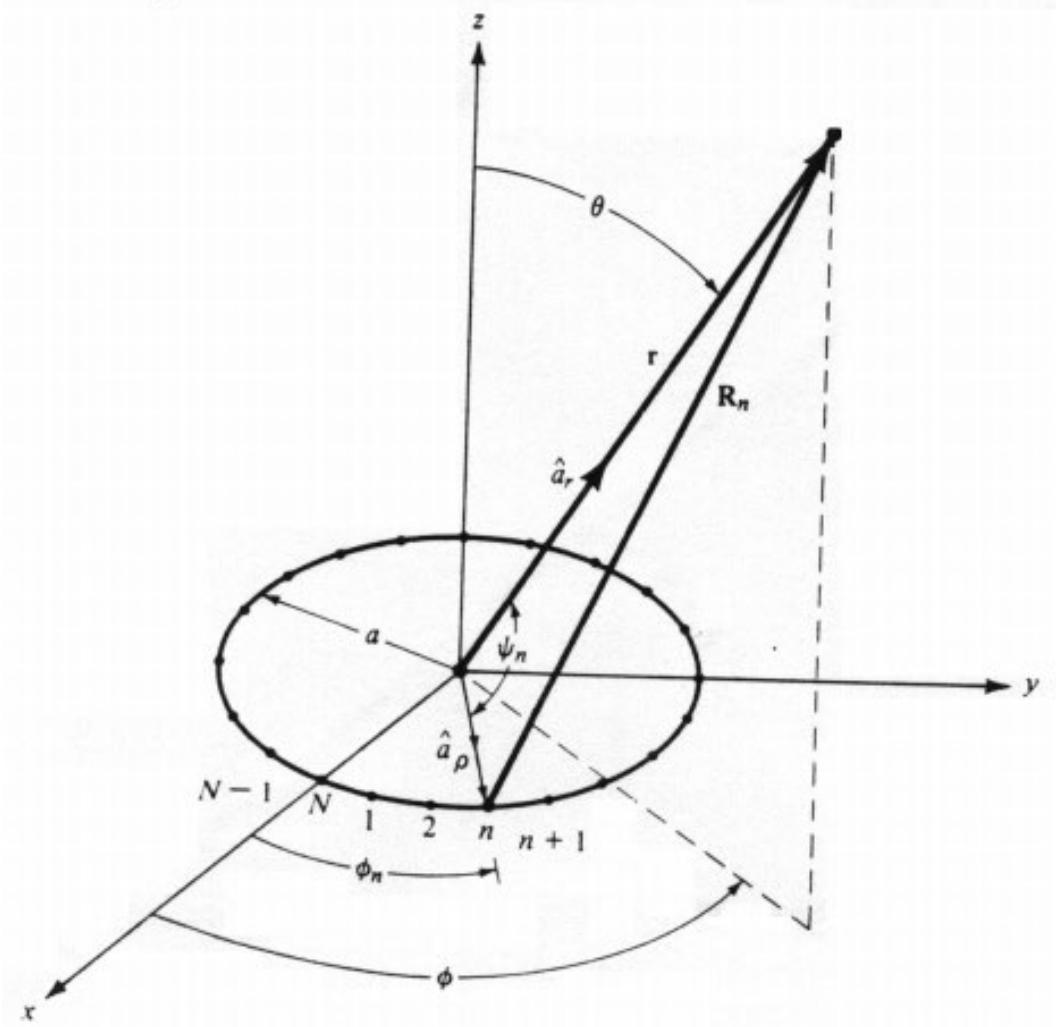
1. The main beam direction is controlled through the phase shifts,  $\beta_x$  and  $\beta_y$
2. The beamwidth and side-lobe levels are controlled through the amplitude distribution.





The radiation pattern, SLL, HPBW, and gain for four different source distributions of eight in-phase isotropic sources spaced by  $\lambda/2$ ; **there are trade-offs!**

# Circular Array



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$$AF(\theta, \phi) = \sum_{n=1}^N I_n e^{jka[\sin \theta \cos(\phi - \phi_n) - \sin \theta_0 \cos(\phi_0 - \phi_n)]}$$

$$AF(\theta, \phi) = \sum_{n=1}^N I_n e^{jka(\cos \psi_n - \cos \psi_{0n})}$$

Here:

$\psi_n = \cos^{-1} [\sin \theta \cos(\phi - \phi_n)]$  is the angle between  $\hat{r}$  and  $\hat{a}_{\rho_n}$ ;

$\psi_{0n} = \cos^{-1} [\sin \theta_0 \cos(\phi_0 - \phi_n)]$  is the angle between  $\hat{a}_{\rho_n}$  and  $\hat{r}_{\max}$  pointing in the direction of maximum radiation.

$I_n e^{jka_n}$  excitation coefficient of the  $n$ th element

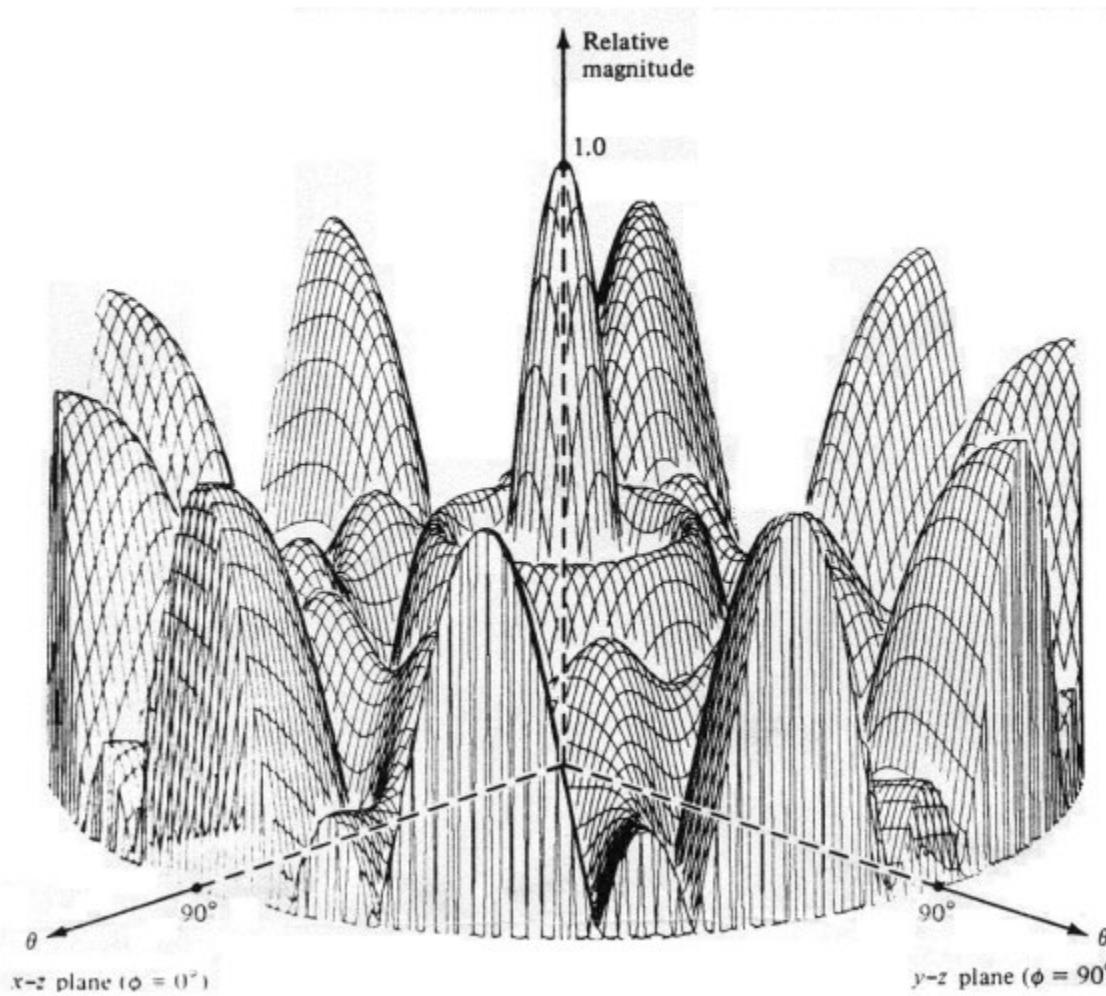
$I_n$  amplitude excitation of  $n$ th element

$a_n$  phase excitation (relative to the array center) of the  $n$ th element

$\phi_n = 2\pi \left( \frac{n}{N} \right)$  angular position of the  $n$ th element on  $x$ - $y$  plane

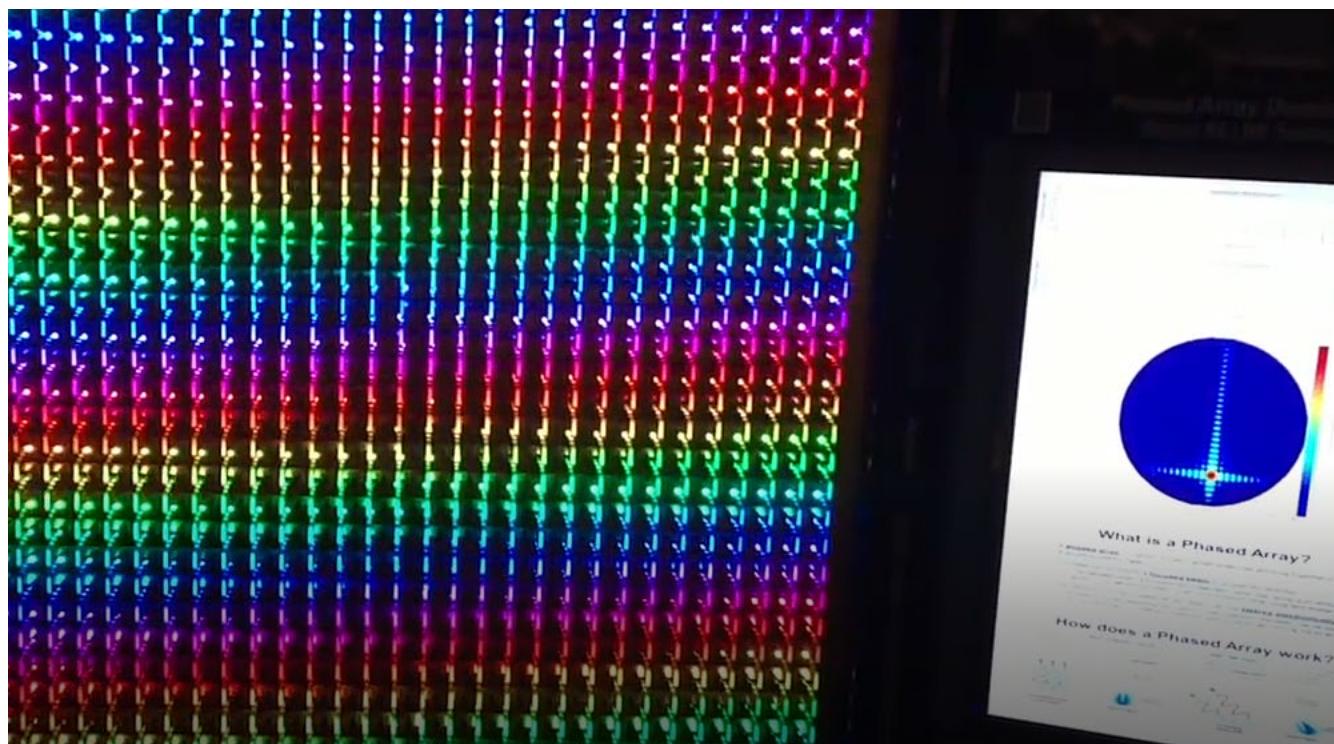
# Circular Array

Uniform circular array 3-D pattern ( $N=10$ ,  $ka = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}a = 10$ )



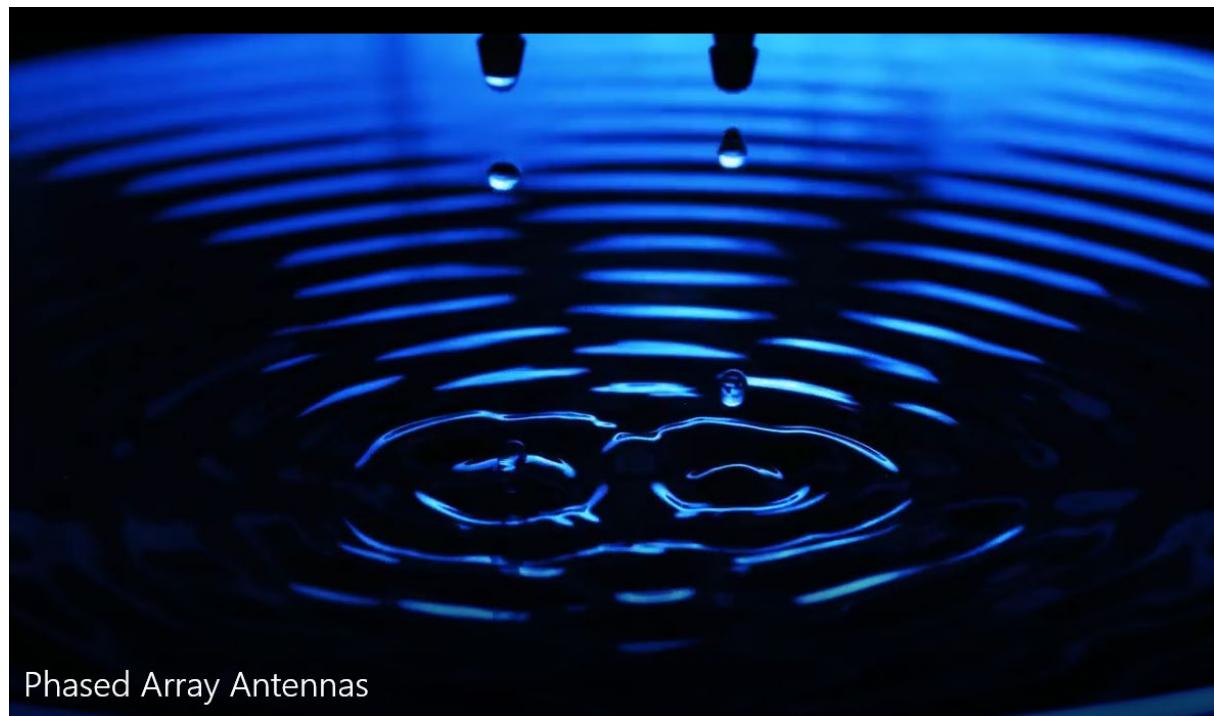
# Phased Array demo

[Video demo 4'23"](#)



# Phased Array Explained

[Video 5'](#)



Phased Array Antennas

# Homework

UG:

- Write a (Matlab) program to plot 2D pattern of a linear array
- Test program using a 10 element array spaced at  $\lambda/2$ . Show phase shift changes the main beam direction

• PG:

- Write a (Matlab) program to plot 3D pattern of planar array
- Test program using a  $5 \times 5$  array spaced at  $\lambda/2$ . Show phase shift changes the main beam direction