

Calculation with decibels

Which parameters are expressed in following units?

dBi	...	antenna gain
dBd	...	antenna gain
dBm	...	power
dBW	...	power
dB μ V	...	voltage
dB μ V.m ⁻¹	...	intensity of electric field

Remember:

$$0 \text{ dBd} = 2.15 \text{ dBi}$$

$$0 \text{ dBi} = -2.15 \text{ dBd}$$

$$X_{\text{dB}} = 10 \cdot \log X \quad \text{for power functions (P, S, gain)}$$

$$X = 10^{X_{\text{dB}}/10}$$

$$X_{\text{dB}} = 20 \cdot \log X \quad \text{for voltage functions (U, I, E, H, AF)}$$

$$X = 10^{X_{\text{dB}}/20}$$

Determine:

10 dBi	=	7.85 dBd
7 dBd	=	9.15 dB
0 dBm	=	0.001 W
3 dBm	=	2 mW
10 dBm	=	0.01 W
16 dBW	=	40 W
-3 dBW	=	0.5 W
-4 dBW	=	26 dBm
40 dB μ V	=	0.1 mV
-6 dB μ V.m ⁻¹	=	0.5 μ V.m ⁻¹
33 dBi	=	2000 [-]

Calculation of electromagnetic field, EIRP and ERP

Example: Transmitting antenna is fed by a power $P_v = 10 \text{ W}$, antenna's gain is $G_v = 6 \text{ dBi}$. Determine effective value of intensity of electric field E_{10m} and E_{100m} , intensity of magnetic field H_{10m} and H_{100m} , and power density S_{10m} and S_{100m} . Frequency is $f = 3 \text{ GHz}$ and an impedance is equal to the impedance of free space. Calculate Effective Isotropic Radiated Power (EIRP) and Effective Radiated Power (ERP) and of transmitter.

$$S_{10m} = \frac{P_v G_v}{4\pi R^2} = \frac{10 \cdot 10^{\frac{6}{10}}}{4\pi 10^2} = \dots = 31.67 \text{ mW} \cdot \text{m}^{-2}$$

$$S_{100m} = \frac{P_v G_v}{4\pi R^2} = \dots = 0.3167 \text{ mW} \cdot \text{m}^{-2}$$

$$E_{10m} = \frac{\sqrt{30 P_v G_v}}{R} = \frac{\sqrt{30 \cdot 10 \cdot 10^{\frac{6}{10}}}}{10} = \dots = 3.46 \text{ V} \cdot \text{m}^{-1}$$

$$H_{10m} = \frac{E_{10m}}{Z_0} = \frac{3.46}{377} = \dots = 9.18 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ A} \cdot \text{m}^{-1}$$

$$\text{where } Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{j\omega\mu}{j\omega\epsilon + \sigma}} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi \cdot 10^{-7}}{8.85 \cdot 10^{-12}}} = 120\pi = 377\Omega$$

$$S_{10m} = E_{10m} \cdot H_{10m} = \frac{E_{10m}^2}{Z_0} \Rightarrow E_{10m} = \sqrt{S_{10m} \cdot Z_0} = \sqrt{0.03167 \cdot 377} = \dots = 3.46 \text{ V} \cdot \text{m}^{-1}$$

$$E_{100m} = \frac{\sqrt{30 P_v G_v}}{R} = \dots = 0.346 \text{ V} \cdot \text{m}^{-1} \quad H_{100m} = \frac{E_{100m}}{Z_0} = \frac{0.346}{377} = \dots = 9.18 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ A} \cdot \text{m}^{-1}$$

$$EIRP = P_v G_v = 10 \cdot 10^{\frac{6}{10}} = \dots = 40 \text{ W} = 16 \text{ dBW}$$

$$ERP = EIRP - 2.15 \text{ dB} = 13.85 \text{ dBW} = 24.3 \text{ W}$$

Example: Determine a distance where magnitude (effective value) of intensity of electric field radiated by dipole antenna (gain $G_v = 0 \text{ dBd}$) is equal to $1 \text{ V} \cdot \text{m}^{-1}$. Antenna is fed with a power 1 kW .

$$E_{\max} = \frac{\sqrt{60 P_v G_v}}{R} \Rightarrow R = \frac{\sqrt{60 P_v G_v}}{E_{\max}} = \frac{\sqrt{60 \cdot 1000 \cdot 10^{\frac{2.15}{10}}}}{1} = \dots = 314 \text{ m}$$

$$(E_{ef} = \frac{\sqrt{30 P_v G_v}}{R} \Rightarrow R = \frac{\sqrt{30 P_v G_v}}{E_{ef}} = \frac{\sqrt{30 \cdot 1000 \cdot 10^{\frac{2.15}{10}}}}{1} = \dots = 222 \text{ m})$$

Impedance and matching

Dipole antenna is fed from generator with impedance $Z_g = 50 \Omega$. We require antenna matching better than 20 dB ($RL \geq 20\text{dB}$). (reflection coefficient $|\Gamma| < -20\text{dB}$).

- Determine the interval of real antenna impedances Z_a for RL better than 20 dB. (Use real impedances only – for simplification.)
- Determine VSWR for $RL = 20\text{dB}$?
- Determine power which is transmitted to the antenna.
- Determine reflected power.

For $RL = 20\text{dB}$ Reflecting coefficient is $|\Gamma| = 0.1$

$$|\Gamma| = 10^{\frac{RL}{-20}} = 0.1$$

a)

$$|\Gamma| = \left| \frac{Z_a - Z_0}{Z_a + Z_0} \right|$$

$$0.1 = \left| \frac{Z_a - 50}{Z_a + 50} \right|$$

$$|Z_a + 50| = 10|Z_a - 50|$$

$$Z_a > 50 \Rightarrow Z_a + 50 = 10(Z_a - 50) \Rightarrow Z_a = 61\Omega$$

$$Z_a < 50 \Rightarrow Z_a + 50 = 10(50 - Z_a) \Rightarrow Z_a = 40.9\Omega$$

$$Z_a \in \langle 40.9; 61 \rangle \Omega$$

b)

$$PSV = \frac{1 + |\Gamma|}{1 - |\Gamma|} = \frac{1 + 0.1}{1 - 0.1} = 1.2$$

c)

$$1 - |\Gamma|^2 = 1 - 0.01 = 0.99 \dots\dots\dots 99\% \text{ of power is transmitted to the antenna}$$

d)

$$|\Gamma|^2 = 0.01 \dots\dots\dots 1\% \text{ of power is reflected}$$

Friis transmission equation

Example: Transmission link on frequency 10 GHz consists of 2 parabolic antennas.

- Determine power received by receiving antenna.
- Determine effective value of voltage in receiving antenna connector with impedance 50 Ohm.
- Determine effective aperture of receiving antenna.

$P_g = 10 \text{ W}$	power of generator
$Z_g = 50 \text{ Ohm}$	impedance of generator
$Z_v = 70 \text{ Ohm}$	impedance of transmitting antenna
$D_v = 38 \text{ dBi}$	directivity of transmitting antenna (diameter 1 m)
$R = 5 \text{ km}$	range of link
$a = 0,5 \text{ dB.km}^{-1}$	additional atmospheric loss caused by hydrometeors (rain, snow, hail ...)
$\alpha = 10^\circ$	polarisation imperfection
$D_p = 33 \text{ dBi}$	directivity of receiving antenna (diameter 0.6 m)
$RL_p = 20 \text{ dB}$	return loss of receiving antenna
$Z_p = 50 \text{ Ohm}$	impedance of receiver
$L_{dv} = 5 \%$	dielectrical and conducting loss of each antenna

$$a) P_p = \frac{P_g \cdot G_v \cdot G_p}{L} = \frac{P_g \cdot (1 - |\Gamma_v|^2) \cdot D_v \cdot (1 - L_{dv}) \cdot (1 - |\Gamma_p|^2) \cdot D_p \cdot (1 - L_{dv})}{L_{FLS} \cdot L_{pol} \cdot L_a}$$

$$|\Gamma_v| = \frac{Z_v - Z_g}{Z_v + Z_g} = \frac{70 - 50}{70 + 50} = \frac{20}{120} = 0.167 \Rightarrow (1 - |\Gamma_v|^2) = 0.972$$

$$|\Gamma_p| = 10^{\frac{RL_p}{-20}} = 10^{\frac{20}{-20}} = 10^{-1} = 0.1 \Rightarrow (1 - |\Gamma_p|^2) = 0.99$$

$$P_p = \frac{P_g \cdot G_v \cdot G_p}{L} = \frac{P_g \cdot (1 - |\Gamma_v|^2) \cdot D_v \cdot (1 - 0.05) \cdot (1 - |\Gamma_p|^2) \cdot D_p \cdot (1 - 0.05)}{L_{FLS} \cdot L_{pol} \cdot L_a}$$

$$P_p = \frac{10 \cdot 0.972 \cdot 6310 \cdot 0.95 \cdot 0.99 \cdot 1995 \cdot 0.95}{4.3865 \cdot 10^{12} \cdot 1.031 \cdot 1.778} = 1.36 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ W}$$

$$D_v = 10^{\frac{38}{10}} = 6310$$

$$D_p = 10^{\frac{33}{10}} = 1995$$

$$L_{FSP} = \left(\frac{4\pi R}{\lambda} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{4\pi \cdot 5000}{\frac{3 \cdot 10^8}{10 \cdot 10^9}} \right)^2 = 4.3865 \cdot 10^{12} = 126.42 \text{ dB}$$

$$L_{pol} = \frac{1}{\cos^2 \alpha} = \frac{1}{\cos^2 10^\circ} = 1.031$$

$$L_a = R \cdot a = 5 \cdot 0.5 = 2.5 \text{ dB} = 10^{\frac{2.5}{10}} = 1.778$$

b)

$$P_p = \frac{U_{ef}^2}{Z_p} \Rightarrow U_{ef} = \sqrt{P_p \cdot Z_p} = \sqrt{1.36 \cdot 10^{-5} \cdot 50} = 0.026 \text{ V}$$

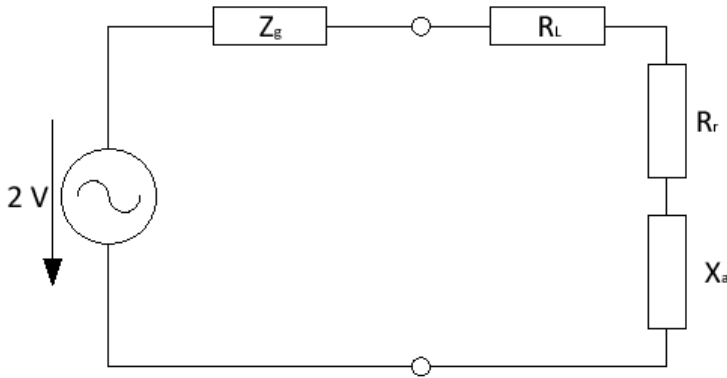
c)

$$A_{ef} = G_p \frac{\lambda^2}{4\pi} = D_p \cdot (1 - |\Gamma_p|^2) (1 - L_{dv}) \frac{\lambda^2}{4\pi} = 1995 \cdot 0.99 \cdot 0.95 \frac{0.03^2}{4\pi} = 0.134 \text{ m}^2$$

Equivalent circuit of antenna

A dipole antenna is connected to generator with inner impedance $Z_g=50+j25\ \Omega$. The generator output voltage amplitude is 2V. The dipole antenna has loss resistance of $1\ \Omega$ plus its own impedance $73+j42.5\ \Omega$.

Determine power delivered to the antenna, radiated and loss power and radiation efficiency.



$$I_g = \frac{U_g}{Z_g + R_L + Z_r} = \frac{2}{50 + j25 + 1 + 73 + j42.5} = \frac{2}{124 + j67.5} = (12.442 - j6.7724) \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ A}$$

$$= 14.166 \cdot e^{-j28.56^\circ} \text{ mA}$$

$$P_s = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re}\{U_g \cdot I_g^*\} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re}\{2 \cdot (12.442 + j6.7724) \cdot 10^{-3}\} = 12.442 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ W}$$

$$P_r = \frac{1}{2} |I_g|^2 R_r = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0.014166^2 \cdot 73 = 7.325 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ W}$$

$$P_L = \frac{1}{2} |I_g|^2 R_L = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0.014166^2 \cdot 1 = 0.1003 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ W}$$

$$\eta_r = \frac{R_r}{R_r + R_L} = \frac{73}{73 + 1} = 0.986$$