

Propagation and Antenna

Chapter 1.0

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Propagation and Antenna

EM Wave Propagation :

- Radio Waves on Move/Travel
- Radiation / Reception of EM Waves
- Means of Radio Communications
- Velocity of EMW Propagation

$$v = c/\sqrt{\mu_r \epsilon_r}$$

Where,

c = Velocity of Light

μ_r = Relative Permeability

ϵ_r = Relative Permittivity

- Conversion of I and V into EMW and vice-versa
- Propagation based on Basic Transmission Theory

Propagation and Antenna

Course is divided into three parts:

- ❑ EM Wave Propagation Phenomena
- ❑ Types of Antennas and their Functions
- ❑ Optical Communications on brief

Propagation and Antenna

Properties of Electromagnetic Wave Propagation

- These waves travel at the speed of light.
- These waves do not require any medium for propagation.
- Electromagnetic waves travel in a transverse form.
- Electromagnetic waves are not deflected by electric or magnetic field.

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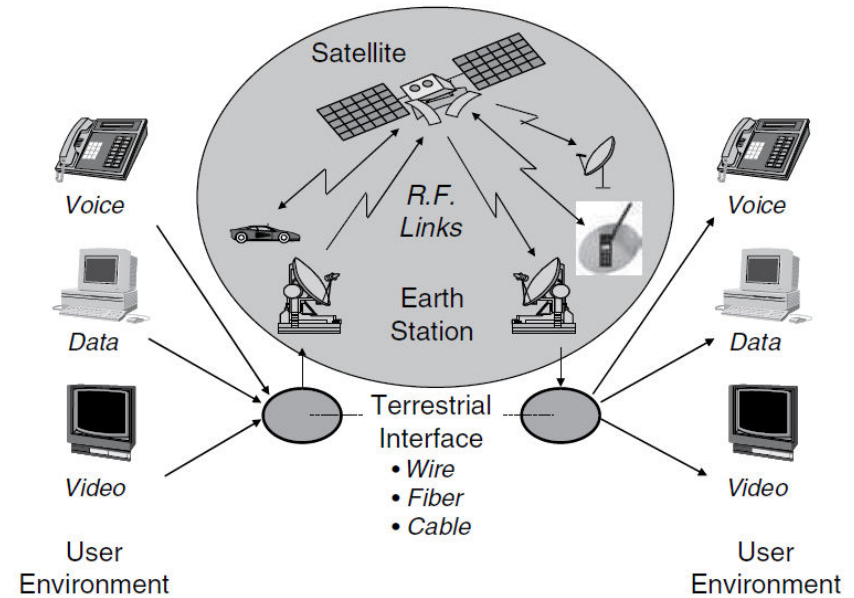
Properties of Electromagnetic Wave Propagation

- These waves can be polarized.
- Electromagnetic Waves undergo interference and diffraction.
- The wavelength(λ) and frequency (ν) of the EM waves can be related as:

$$c = \nu \cdot \lambda$$

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Radio Wave Propagation in Satellite Communications



Communications via Satellite in the Telecommunications Infrastructure

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Birth of Antenna (In Brief)

- In 1873, James Clerk **Maxwell** (1831 – 1879) Unified Theory of EMW
- In 1887, Heinrich Rudolf **Hertz** (1857 – 1887) First used Metallic Device as an Antenna
- In 1901, Guglielmo **Marconi** (1874 – 1937) Applied Antenna for Long Distance Radio Communication

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Historical Advancement (In some details)

- 1842, First Radiation Experiment, J. Henry
- 1872, Improvement in Telegraphing (patent), M. Loomis
- 1873, Maxwell's Equations
- 1875, Communication System (patent), T. Edison
- 1886, Hertz's Experiment (dipole)
- 1901, Marconi's Success
- 1940, UHF Antennas
- 1960, Modern Antennas

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Antenna Types

- Electrically Small (Dipole, Loop)
- Resonant (HW Dipole, Patch, Yagi)
- Broadband (Spiral, Log Periodic)
- Aperture (Horn, Waveguide)
- Reflector and Lens

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Chap.1 Radiation & Antenna Fundamentals

Antenna :

- Also Named **Aerial**
- A Device for Radiating and Receiving of EM Waves
- Metallic Device
- Transducer
- Passive Device/Element
- Gateway of Wireless Communications
- Equivalent of Transformer
- Generator & Load Equivalent
- Resonant Device/ Circuit

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Antenna or Aerial

- Major Parts of Transponder
- Radiator / Receptor of EMWs
- Radiates Energy in Specified (Desired) Direction
- Medium Betⁿ Guided Wave and EMW
- Maximum Power can be Transferred when
$$\mathbf{Z_g = Z_c = Z_a}$$
- Space Impedance Matching Device, $Z_s = 377 \Omega$
- Interface betⁿ EMW and Current Moving in Metal
- Tuned (Matched) Device

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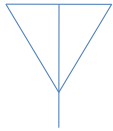
Function of Antenna

- Transmitting Antenna : It Converts Electrical Energy into Electromagnetic Energy
- Electric Current Flowing in the Conductor Changes into Radio Waves (EMW) as a Radiation
- Receiving Antenna : It Converts Electro-magnetic Energy into Electrical Energy
- Radio Waves (EMW) Strikes on the Antenna Changes into Corresponding Electric Current

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Function of Antenna (Cont...)

- An Antenna should Radiate Energy in Specified Direction rather than other Directions
- Electronic Symbol for an Antenna



- As RF Signal Current is Applied to an Antenna, the Orbits of the Electrons in the Atoms are Changing as per RF Current on it.

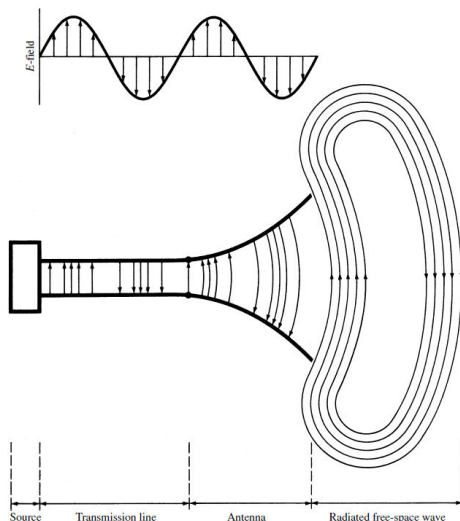
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Function of Antenna (Cont...)

- Correspondingly to Each Change of Direction of Orbit, a Quantum of Energy is Released, which Results in **Radiation of RF Energy**
- Transmitting Antenna should Radiate Energy in Specified Direction and Suppress (Stop) the Radiation in Unwanted Directions

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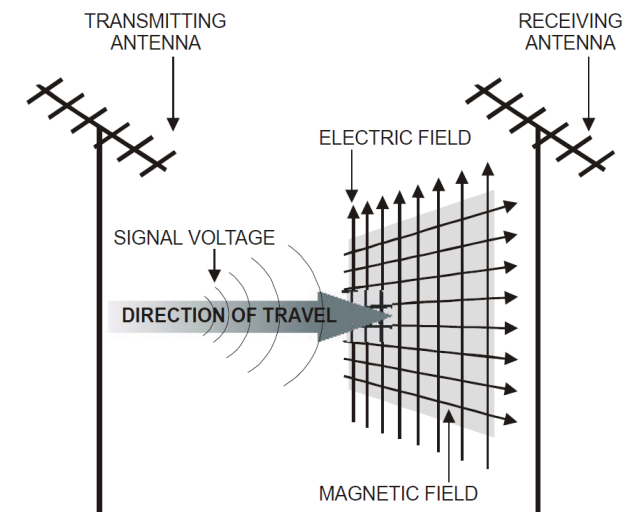
Function of Antenna (Cont...)



Antenna as a transition device

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Radiation Fundamentals

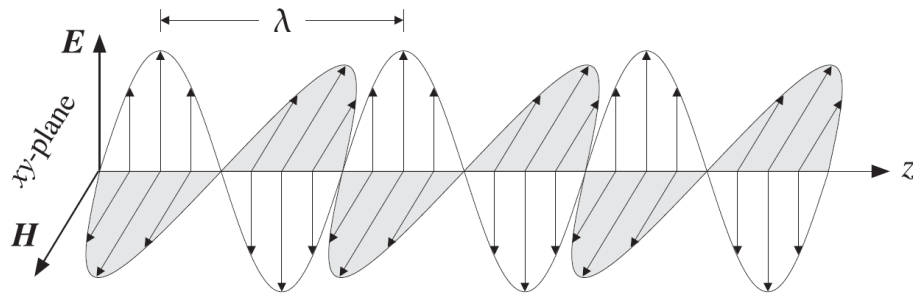


Radiation Fields

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EMW Propagation

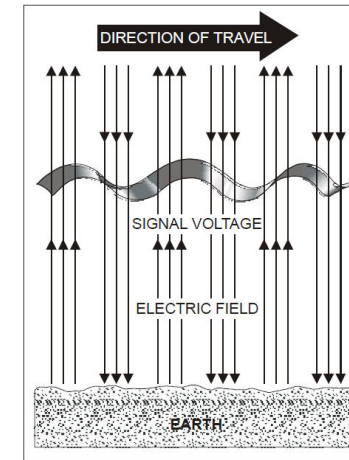
Radiation is a Time Varying Phenomena
The Radiated Electric and Magnetic Fields



Forward Uniform Plane Wave

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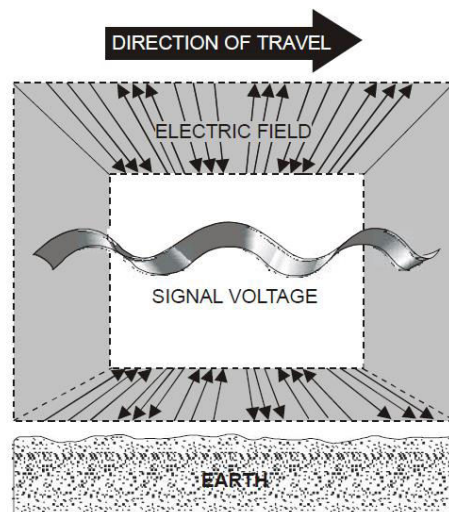
Vertical Polarization



Vertically Polarized Wave

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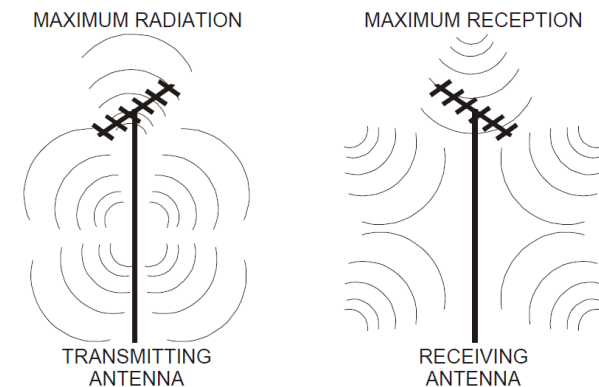
Horizontal Polarization



Horizontally Polarized Wave

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Antenna Reciprocity



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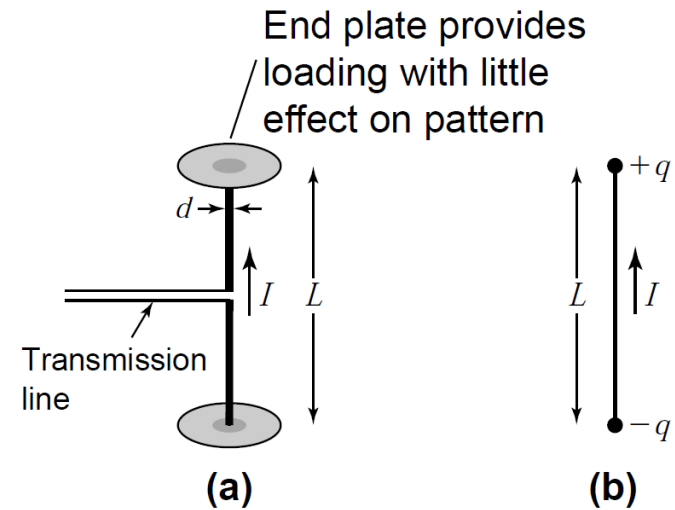
1.1 Retarded Potentials

EM Wave Generation with a Conduction Current

- Propagation Potential at a Distance, r
- Time Varying Potential at a Distance, r
- Radiation is a Time Varying Phenomena
- Potential Developed due to the Field Intensities
 - i.e. due to Electric Field Intensity and Magnetic Field Intensity at any Point, p in the Free Space
 - It is during Transmission of Signal for Propagation Time
 - Propagation Time is also called Retarded Time, $t_r = r/c$

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Short Dipole Antenna



A short dipole antenna (a) and its equivalent (b).

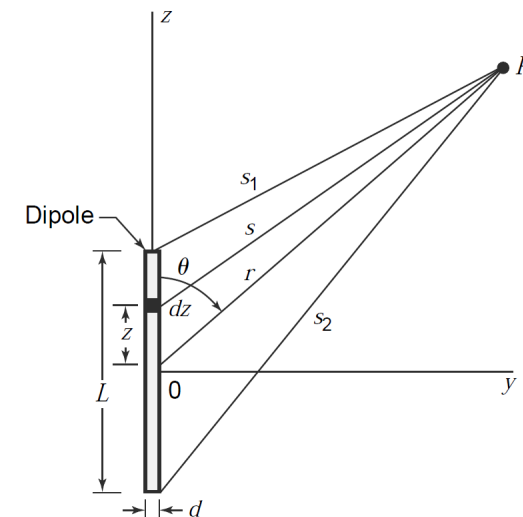
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Retarded Potentials (Cont..)

- Emf Produced due to the EM Wave, at a Distance, r from the Point Source (i.e. Antenna)
- It can be Scalar and Vector Potentials
- It Takes some Time for the Effect of this Changed Current to be Seen at Point, P
- This time is Retarded Time, r/c (s).
- The Potential Calculated Considering this Effect is Known as Retarded Potential.

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Retarded Potentials (Cont...)

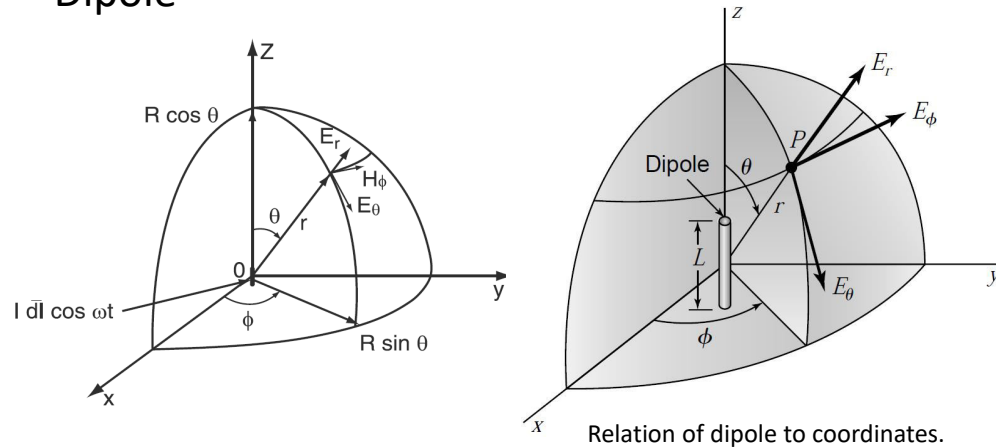


Geometry for short dipole

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Retarded Potentials (Cont...)

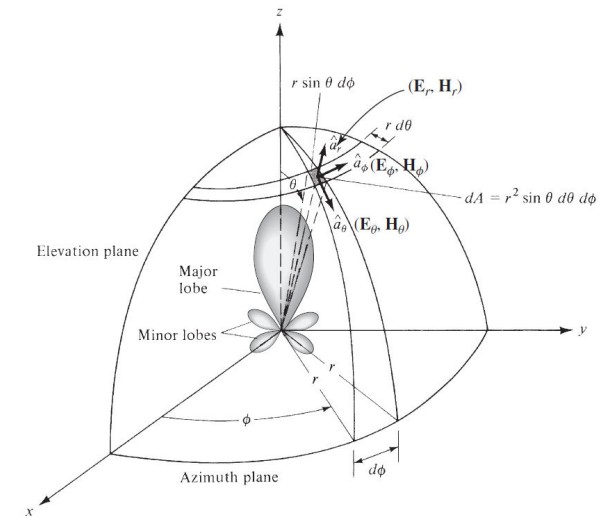
EM Wave Generation with Short Uniform Current Dipole



Configuration of filamentary current carrying conductor

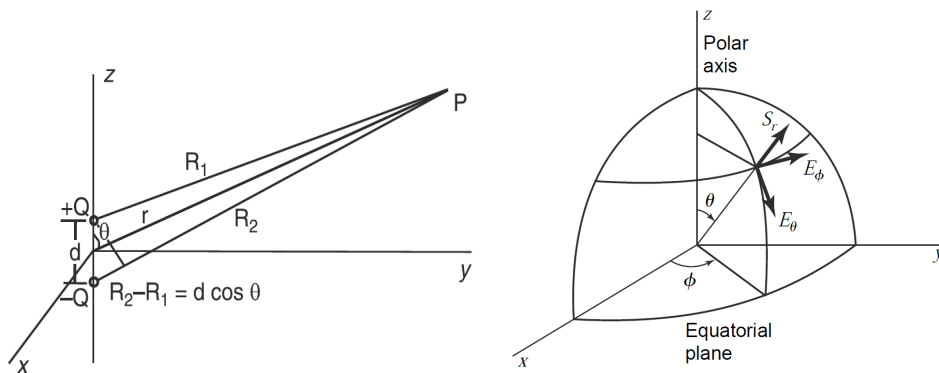
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Retarded Potentials (Cont..)



Coordinate system for antenna analysis

The Fields of Short Dipole



Configuration of dipole

Relation of the Poynting vector S and the two electric field components of the far field.

Where, S_r , E_θ , & E_r - Electric Field Components

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Retarded Potentials (Cont..)

By Definition of Electric Current, I

$$I = dq/dt \quad \text{----- (1)}$$

The Current Passing the Conductor, I is also

$$I = I_0 e^{j\omega t} \quad \text{----- (2)}$$

Instantaneous Propagation, due the Effect of the Current by Lorentz,

$$[I] = I_0 e^{j\omega [t - (r/c)]} \quad \text{----- (3)}$$

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Retarded Potentials (Cont..)

Instantaneous Propagation, due to the Effect of the Current,

$$[I] = I_0 e^{j\omega [t - (r/c)]} \text{ --- (3)}$$

Where,

$[I]$ is Retarded (Propagation) Current

(r/c) is Retarded Time, Results in a Phase

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Retardation } \omega r/c &= 2\pi f r/c \text{ radians} \\ &= 360^\circ f r/c \\ &= 360^\circ t/T \end{aligned}$$

And, $t = 1/f$ & $t = r/c$

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Retarded Potentials (Cont..)

The **Retarded Vector Potential** of the Electric Current,

$$A_z = \mu_0 / 4\pi \int_{-L/2}^{+L/2} [I] / s \, dz \text{ --- (4)}$$

Where,

$$[I] = I_0 e^{j\omega [t - (s/c)]} \text{ --- (4a)}$$

z is Distance to a Point on the Conductor

I_0 is Peak Value in Time of Current

μ_0 is Permeability of the Free Space

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Retarded Potentials (Cont..)

If $r \gg L$ and $\lambda \gg L$, then Eqn. (4) becomes,

$$A_z = \mu_0 L I_0 e^{j\omega [t - (r/c)]} / 4\pi r \text{ --- (5)}$$

This is an Overall **Retarded Vector Potential** of the Electric Current everywhere surround the Short Dipole

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Retarded Potentials (Cont..)

The **Retarded Scalar Potential**, V of a Charge Distribution,

$$V = 1 / 4\pi\epsilon_0 \int_V [\rho] / s \, d\tau \text{ --- (6)}$$

Where,

$[\rho]$ is the Retarded Charge Density as

$$[\rho] = \rho_0 e^{j\omega [t - (s/c)]} \text{ --- (7)}$$

$d\tau$ is Distance to a Point on the Conductor

ρ_0 is Peak Value in Time of Charge

ϵ_0 is Permittivity or Dielectric Constant of Free Space.

$$\epsilon_0 = 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F/m}$$

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Retarded Potentials (Cont..)

The **Retarded Scalar Potential**, V of Eqn. (6) reduces to,

$$V = 1 / 4\pi\epsilon_0 \{ [\rho] / s_1 - [\rho] / s_2 \} \text{----- (8)}$$

From Eqns. (1) and (4a),

$$[\rho] = \int [I] dt = I_0 \int e^{j\omega [t - (s/c)]} dt = [I] / j\omega \text{---- (9)}$$

Substituting Eqn. (9) into Eqn. (8),

$$V = 1 / (4\pi\epsilon_0 j\omega) \{ e^{j\omega [t - (s_1/c)]} / s_1 - e^{j\omega [t - (s_2/c)]} / s_2 \} \text{---(10)}$$

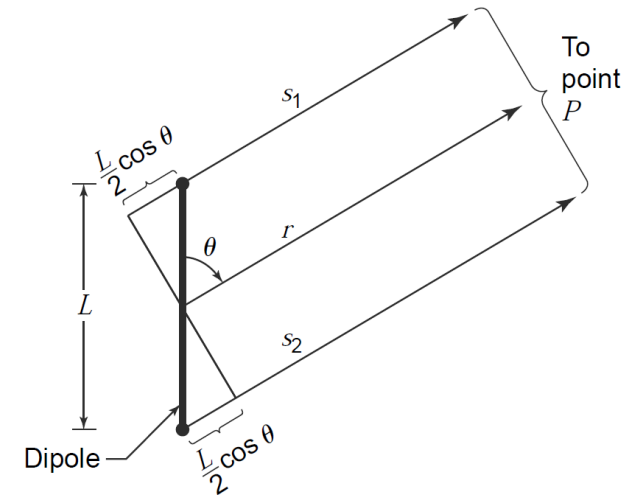
When,

$$r \gg L \text{ and } s_1/s_2 \approx r, \text{ then, } s_1 = r - L/2 \cos\theta \text{-----(11)}$$

$$s_2 = r + L/2 \cos\theta \text{---- (12)}$$

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Retarded Potentials (Cont..)



Relations for short dipole when $r \gg L$.

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Retarded Potentials (Cont..)

Finally the Overall **Retarded Scalar Potential**, V of the Charge Distribution, reduces Equation to

$$V = I_0 L \cos\theta e^{j\omega [t - (r/c)]} (1/r + c / j\omega r^2 / (4\pi\epsilon_0 c) \text{-----(13)}$$

[Note: J.D. Kraus, 2nd Edn. pp. 204 (Eqn. 16]

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Retarded Potentials (Cont..)

<i>Electric fields of short dipole</i>	$E_r = \frac{I_0 L \cos\theta e^{j\omega [t - (r/c)]}}{2\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{1}{cr^2} + \frac{1}{j\omega r^3} \right)$	<i>General case</i>
	$E_\theta = \frac{I_0 L \sin\theta e^{j\omega [t - (r/c)]}}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{j\omega}{c^2 r} + \frac{1}{cr^2} + \frac{1}{j\omega r^3} \right)$	

From J. D. Kraus, 4th Edn. Eqns. (12) & (13) pp.138

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1.2 Radiation Patterns & Input Impedance

Radiation Patterns:

- Mathematical function or a Graphical Representation of the Radiation Properties of the Antenna as a Function of space coordinates.
- It is determined in the far field region
- It is represented as a function of the directional coordinates.
- Radiation properties include power flux density, radiation intensity, field strength, directivity, phase or polarization.

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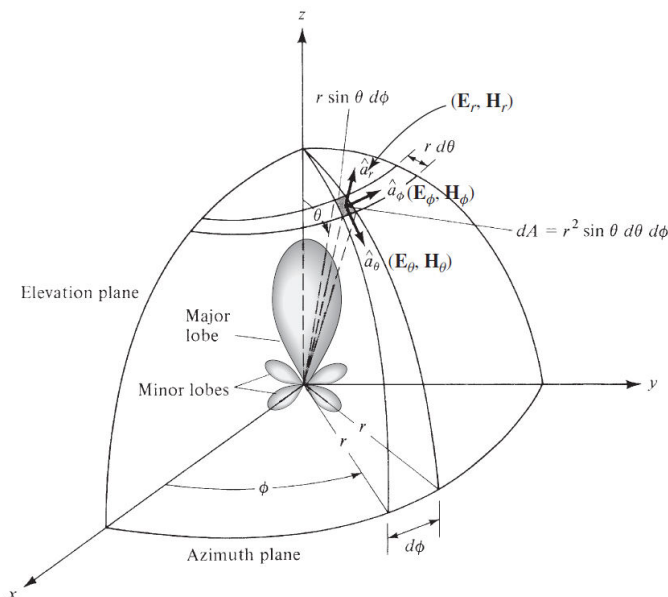
Radiation Patterns

Radiation Patterns:

- A trace of the received electric (magnetic) field at a constant radius is called the amplitude field *pattern*.
- *On the other hand, a graph of the spatial variation of the power density along a constant radius is called an amplitude power pattern.*
- Often the *field and power patterns are normalized with respect to their maximum value, yielding normalized field and power patterns.*
- *Also, the power pattern is usually plotted on a logarithmic scale or more commonly in decibels (dB).*

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Coordinate system for antenna analysis



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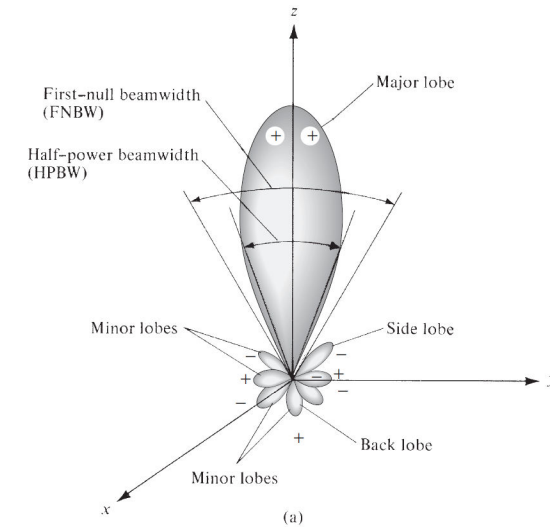
Radiation Patterns & Input Impedance

Radiation Properties Include

- Power Flux Density (PFD),
- Radiation Intensity,
- Field Strength,
- Directivity,
- Phase, or
- Polarization.

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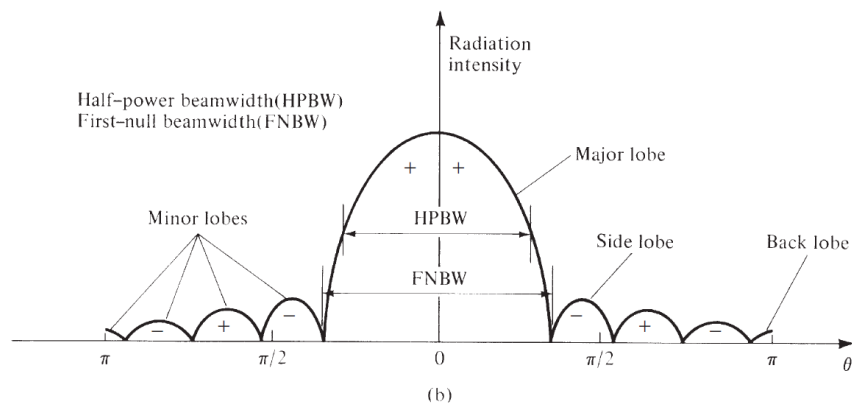
Radiation Pattern



Radiation lobes and beam widths of an antenna pattern

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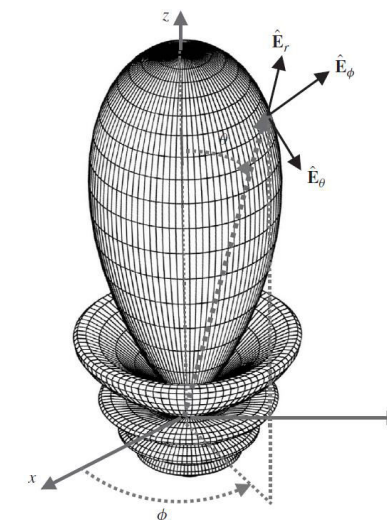
Radiation Patterns



Linear plot of power pattern and its associated lobes and beam widths.

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3D Radiation Patterns



Normalized three-dimensional amplitude *field pattern (in linear scale)*

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Radiation Patterns & Input Impedance

Radiation Patterns can be

1. Isotropic Radiation Pattern
2. Omni-directional Radiation Pattern
3. Directional Radiation Pattern

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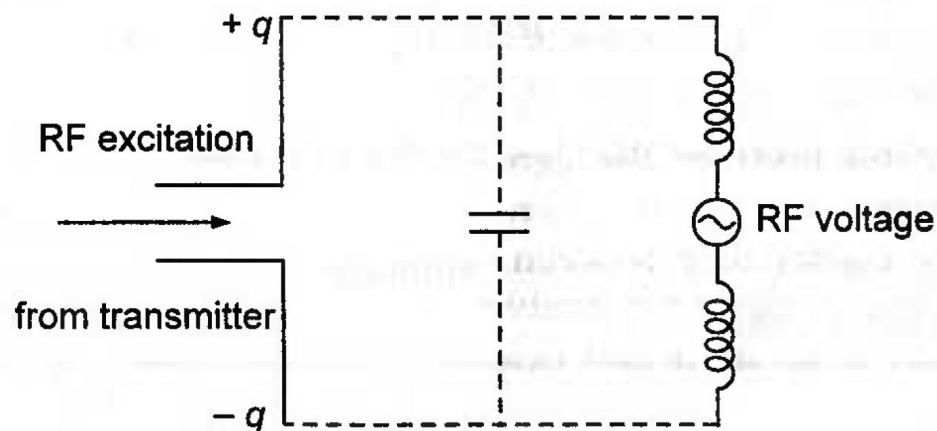
Input Impedance (Z_{in})

- Impedance Presented by Antenna at its Terminals
- The Ratio of the Voltage to Current at a Terminals
- Ratio of the Appropriate Components of
- The Electric to Magnetic Fields at a Point Impedance
- Input Impedance is Measured at a pair of Terminals
- That is Input Terminals of the Antenna
- It is Measured as:

$$Z_{in} = R_A + jX_A$$

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Antenna Equivalent



Elementary Dipole Oscillator

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Input Impedance (Z_{in})

- Input Impedance:

$$Z_A = R_A + jX_A$$

Where,

Z_A is Antenna Impedance at Terminals a-b

R_A is Antenna Resistance at Terminals a-b

X_A is Antenna Reactance at Terminals a-b

And,

$$R_A = R_r + R_L$$

R_r = Radiation Resistance of the Antenna

R_L = Loss Resistance of the Antenna

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Input Impedance (Cont...)

Radiation Resistance

- Fictitious Resistance
- Equivalent to Same Amount of Power When actually Radiating
- Not actually Measured the Resistance from Antenna
- R_r is Subject to the power that it converts into EMW
- Ratio of power radiated to the square of current at the feed point

Loss Resistance

- Ohmic or Load Resistance
- For Efficient Radiation, R_r must be very Higher than R_L
- Loss Resistance gives Rise to Power Loss

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Input Impedance (Cont...)

Radiation Resistance

$$\text{Radiating Antenna Power (P)} = R_r * I_{\text{RMS}}^2$$

Radiation Resistance (R_r) for Half Wave Dipole

$$R_r = 80\pi^2(I_e/\lambda)^2 \text{ - - - - - (i)}$$

Radiation Resistance (R_r) for Short Dipole

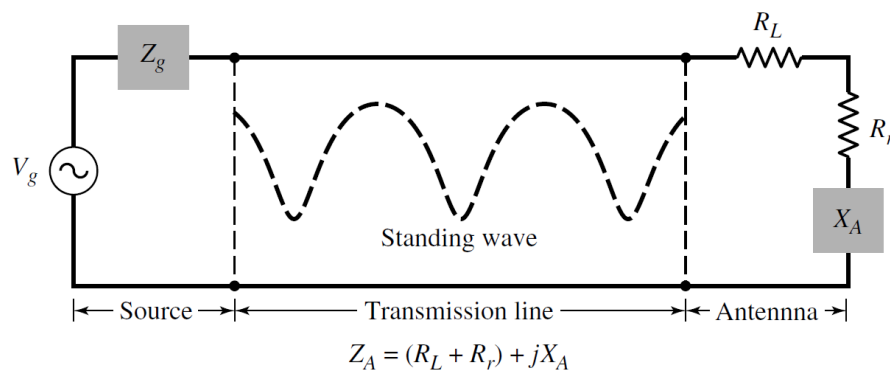
$$R_r = 40\pi^2(I_e/\lambda)^2 \text{ - - - - - (ii)}$$

Radiation Resistance (R_r) for monopole

$$R_r = 20\pi^2(h/\lambda)^2 \text{ - - - - - (iii)}$$

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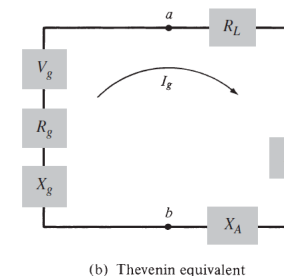
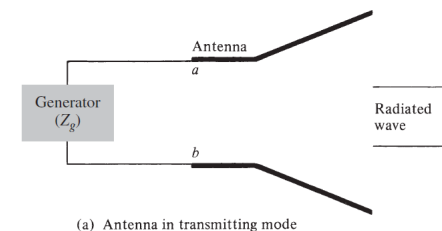
Input Impedance (Z_{in})



Transmission-line Thevenin equivalent of antenna in transmitting mode

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Input Impedance



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