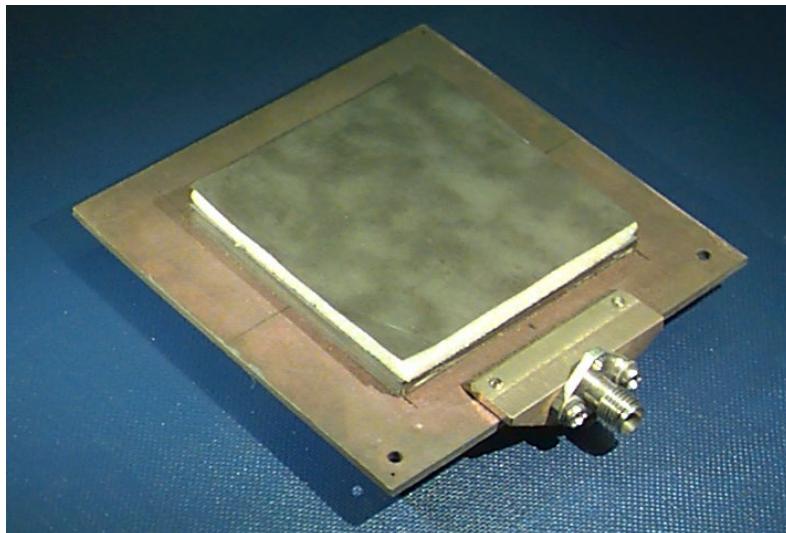


# ECE 6345

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## Notes 16

# Overview

In this set of notes we calculate CAD formulas for the directivity, gain, and efficiency of the rectangular patch antenna.

# Directivity

Definition of directivity:

$$D(\theta, \phi) \equiv \frac{S_r(r, \theta, \phi)}{\left( \frac{P_{\text{sp}}}{4\pi r^2} \right)} = \frac{4\pi r^2 S_r(r, \theta, \phi)}{P_{\text{sp}}}$$

For typical substrate thicknesses, we usually have:  $D_{\max} = D(0, 0)$

where

$$D(0, 0) = \frac{4\pi r^2 S_r(r, 0, 0)}{P_{\text{sp}}}$$

**Note:**

The angle  $\phi$  is actually arbitrary when  $\theta = 0$ , but we choose  $\phi = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} E_\theta(r, \theta, \phi) &= (Il) E_0 \cos \phi G(\theta) \\ E_\phi(r, \theta, \phi) &= (Il) E_0 (-\sin \phi) F(\theta) \end{aligned}$$

# Directivity (cont.)

The space-wave radiated power of the patch is (from Notes 12):

$$P_{\text{sp}} = p P_{\text{sp}}^{\text{dip}}$$

Recall:

$$(Il)_{\text{patch}} = \left( \frac{2}{\pi} WL \right)$$

The radiated power density from the patch in the far field is:

$$\begin{aligned} S_r(r, 0, 0) &= S_r^{\text{hex}}(r, 0, 0) |A(0, 0)|^2 \\ &= S_r^{\text{hex}}(r, 0, 0) |(Il)_{\text{patch}}|^2 \\ &= S_r^{\text{dip}}(r, 0, 0) \end{aligned}$$

**Note:** hex denotes a unit-amplitude dipole in the  $x$  direction.

The patch and the equivalent dipole have the same power density at broadside.

We then have:

$$D(0, 0) = \frac{4\pi r^2 S_r(r, 0, 0)}{P_{\text{sp}}} = \frac{4\pi r^2 S_r^{\text{dip}}(r, 0, 0)}{p P_{\text{sp}}^{\text{dip}}} = \frac{1}{p} \left( \frac{4\pi r^2 S_r^{\text{dip}}(r, 0, 0)}{P_{\text{sp}}^{\text{dip}}} \right)$$

# Directivity (cont.)

Hence

$$D(0,0) = \frac{1}{p} D^{\text{dip}}(0,0)$$

We next calculate the directivity of the dipole:

$$D^{\text{dip}}(0,0) = \frac{4\pi r^2 S_r^{\text{dip}}(r,0,0)}{P_{\text{sp}}^{\text{dip}}}$$

From previous calculations in Notes 12:

$$P_{\text{sp}}^{\text{dip}} = (Il)^2 k_0^2 \left( \frac{\eta_0}{32\pi} \right) \int_0^{\pi/2} [ |F(\theta)|^2 + |G(\theta)|^2 ] \sin \theta d\theta \approx (Il)^2 (k_0 h)^2 k_0^2 \left( \frac{\eta_0}{6\pi} \right) \mu_r^2 c_1$$

$$c_1 \equiv 1 - \frac{1}{n_1^2} + \frac{2/5}{n_1^4}$$
$$n_1 \equiv \sqrt{\epsilon_r \mu_1}$$

# Directivity (cont.)

We then need

$$S_r^{\text{dip}}(r, 0, 0) = \frac{1}{2\eta_0} \left[ |E_\theta^{\text{dip}}(0, 0)|^2 + |E_\phi^{\text{dip}}(0, 0)|^2 \right]$$

where

$$E_\theta(r, \theta, \phi) = (Il) E_0 \cos \phi G(\theta)$$

$$E_\phi(r, \theta, \phi) = (Il) E_0 (-\sin \phi) F(\theta)$$

so that (with  $\phi = 0$ ):

$$E_\theta(r, 0, 0) = (Il) E_0 G(0)$$

$$E_\phi(r, 0, 0) = 0$$

# Directivity (cont.)

Hence, we have:

$$S_r^{\text{dip}}(r, 0, 0) = \frac{1}{2\eta_0} |Il|^2 |E_0|^2 |G(0)|^2$$

where

$$G(\theta) = \frac{2 \cos \theta}{1 - j \left( \frac{N_1(\theta) \sec \theta}{\mu_r} \right) \cot(k_0 h N_1(\theta))}$$

so

$$G(0) = \frac{2}{1 - j \left( \frac{n_1}{\mu_r} \right) \cot(k_1 h)}$$

Note:

$$N_1(\theta) \equiv \sqrt{n_1^2 - \sin^2 \theta}$$

$$k_0 h N_1(\theta) = k_0 h \sqrt{n_1^2 - \sin^2 \theta}$$

$$N_1(0) = n_1$$

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# Directivity (cont.)

We then have:

$$S_r^{\text{dip}}(r, 0, 0) = \frac{1}{2\eta_0} |Il|^2 \left( \frac{\omega\mu_0}{4\pi r} \right)^2 \frac{4}{1 + \left( \frac{\epsilon_r}{\mu_r} \right) \cot^2(k_1 h)}$$

We can re-write this using:  $\omega\mu_0 = k_0\eta_0$

$$S_r^{\text{dip}}(r, 0, 0) = \eta_0 |Il|^2 k_0^2 \left( \frac{1}{4\pi r} \right)^2 \left( \frac{2}{1 + \left( \frac{\epsilon_r}{\mu_r} \right) \cot^2(k_1 h)} \right)$$

# Directivity (cont.)

To summarize so far, we have for the dipole:

Recall:

$$D(0,0) = \frac{1}{p} D^{\text{dip}}(0,0)$$

$$D^{\text{dip}}(0,0) = \frac{4\pi r^2 S_r^{\text{dip}}(r,0,0)}{P_{\text{sp}}^{\text{dip}}}$$

with

$$S_r^{\text{dip}}(r,0,0) = \eta_0 |Il|^2 k_0^2 \left( \frac{1}{4\pi r} \right)^2 \left( \frac{2}{1 + \left( \frac{\epsilon_r}{\mu_r} \right) \cot^2(k_1 h)} \right)$$

$$P_{\text{sp}}^{\text{dip}} \approx |Il|^2 (k_0 h)^2 k_0^2 \left( \frac{\eta_0}{6\pi} \right) \mu_r^2 c_1$$

# Directivity (cont.)

We then have:

$$D^{\text{dip}}(0,0) \approx \frac{4\pi r^2 \eta_0 |H|^2 k_0^2 \left( \frac{1}{4\pi r} \right)^2 \left( \frac{2}{1 + \left( \frac{\epsilon_r}{\mu_r} \right) \cot^2(k_1 h)} \right)}{|H|^2 (k_0 h)^2 k_0^2 \left( \frac{\eta_0}{6\pi} \right) \mu_r^2 c_1}$$

# Directivity (cont.)

The result is:

$$D^{\text{dip}}(0,0) \approx 3 \left( \frac{1}{k_0 h} \right)^2 \left( \frac{1}{\mu_r^2 c_1} \right) \left[ \frac{1}{1 + \frac{\varepsilon_r}{\mu_r} \cot^2(k_1 h)} \right]$$

This may be re-written as (multiplying and dividing by a tangent squared term):

$$D^{\text{dip}}(0,0) \approx 3 \left( \frac{\tan(k_1 h)}{k_1 h} \right)^2 \left( \frac{k_1}{k_0} \right)^2 \left( \frac{1}{\mu_r^2 c_1} \right) \left[ \frac{1}{\tan^2(k_1 h) + \frac{\varepsilon_r}{\mu_r}} \right]$$

# Directivity (cont.)

or

$$D^{\text{dip}}(0,0) \approx 3 \left( \frac{\tan(k_1 h)}{k_1 h} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\epsilon_r}{\mu_r c_1} \right) \left[ \frac{1}{\tan^2(k_1 h) + \frac{\epsilon_r}{\mu_r}} \right]$$

or

$$D^{\text{dip}}(0,0) \approx 3 \tanc^2(k_1 h) \left( \frac{1}{c_1} \right) \left[ \frac{1}{1 + \frac{\mu_r}{\epsilon_r} \tan^2(k_1 h)} \right]$$

where  $\tanc(x) \equiv \frac{\tan(x)}{x}$

# Directivity (cont.)

Since the substrate is assumed to be thin, we can further approximate this as:

$$D^{\text{dip}}(0,0) \approx \frac{3}{c_1}$$

Recall:

$$D(0,0) = \frac{1}{p} D^{\text{dip}}(0,0)$$

where

$$c_1 = 1 - \frac{1}{n_1^2} + \frac{2/5}{n_1^4}$$

Note: for  $n_1 \gg 1$ ,  $D^{\text{dip}}(0,0) \approx 3$   $\left( D^{\text{dip}}(0,0) \approx 4.77 \text{ dB} \right)$

# Gain

The gain of the patch is related to the directivity as:

$$G(0,0) = D(0,0) e_r$$

where

$$e_r = \frac{Q}{Q_{\text{sp}}}$$

**Note:**

CAD formulas for all  $Q$ 's have now been derived, except for  $Q_{\text{sw}}$ .

and

$$\frac{1}{Q} = \frac{1}{Q_d} + \frac{1}{Q_c} + \frac{1}{Q_{\text{sp}}} + \frac{1}{Q_{\text{sw}}}$$

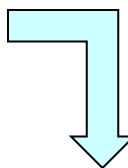
CAD formulas for all of the  $Q$  factors were presented in Notes 3.

# Gain (cont.)

From Notes 1:

$$Q_{\text{sw}} = Q_{\text{sp}} \left( \frac{e_r^{\text{sw}}}{1 - e_r^{\text{sw}}} \right) \quad e_r^{\text{sw}} \approx e_r^{\text{hed}}$$

$$e_r^{\text{hed}} \approx \frac{1}{1 + (k_0 h) \left( \frac{3\pi}{4} \right) \mu_r \frac{1}{c_1} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n_1^2} \right)^3}$$



(This will be derived later from the spectral-domain method.)

# Summary

$$G(0,0) = D(0,0) e_r$$

$$D(0,0) \approx \frac{3}{pc_1}$$

$$e_r = \frac{Q}{Q_{\text{sp}}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p = & 1 + \frac{a_2}{10} (k_0 W)^2 \\ & + (a_2^2 + 2a_4) \left( \frac{3}{560} \right) (k_0 W)^4 \\ & + c_2 \left( \frac{1}{5} \right) (k_0 L)^2 \\ & + a_2 c_2 \left( \frac{1}{70} \right) (k_0 W)^2 (k_0 L)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$c_1 = 1 - \frac{1}{n_1^2} + \frac{2/5}{n_1^4}$$

$$\frac{1}{Q} = \frac{1}{Q_d} + \frac{1}{Q_c} + \frac{1}{Q_{\text{sp}}} + \frac{1}{Q_{\text{sw}}}$$

$$Q_{\text{sp}} \approx \frac{3\pi}{8} \varepsilon_r \left( \frac{L}{W} \right) \left( \frac{1}{k_0 h} \right) \left( \frac{1}{c_1} \right) \left( \frac{1}{p} \right)$$

$$Q_c = \left( \frac{\eta_0}{2} \right) \mu_r \left[ \frac{(k_0 h)}{R_s^{\text{ave}}} \right] \quad Q_d = \frac{1}{\tan \delta}$$

$$Q_{\text{sw}} = Q_{\text{sp}} \left( \frac{e_r^{\text{sw}}}{1 - e_r^{\text{sw}}} \right)$$

$$e_r^{\text{sw}} \approx e_r^{\text{hed}}$$

$$e_r^{\text{hed}} \approx \frac{1}{1 + (k_0 h) \left( \frac{3\pi}{4} \right) \mu_r \frac{1}{c_1} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n_1^2} \right)^3}$$