#### LINEAR WIRE ANTENNAS

#### Infinitesimal Dipole - Hertzian Dipole



A current element  $I\ell$  refers to a filamentary current I flowing along an elemental length  $\ell$ . This is approximated when a current I flows in a very short of thin wire, if the length  $\ell$  is so short (??) that the current is essentially constant along the length.

#### Modeling:

Consider a short wire for which

 $\ell << \lambda$ 

Plates at the ends of the dipole provide capacitive load.

Since 
$$\ell<<\lambda$$
 , then  $rac{\ell}{\lambda}<<1$  or  $rac{\lambda}{\ell}>>1$ 

Consider  $\ell = 1m$  (physical length).

For 
$$f_1 = 1MHz$$
,  $\lambda_1 = \frac{c}{f_1} = \frac{3X10^8}{10^6} = 300m$ 

For 
$$f_2 = 1GHz$$
,  $\lambda_2 = \frac{c}{f_1} = \frac{3X10^8}{10^9} = 30cm$ 

$$k_1 \ell = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_1} = \left(\frac{1}{300}\right) 2\pi = 0.02094$$
$$k_2 \ell = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_2} = \left(\frac{1}{0.3}\right) 2\pi = 20.94$$

We see that:

$$k_1 \ell << 1$$
$$k_2 \ell >> 1$$

The short length and the presence of the plates result in a uniform current I along the entire wire.

 $\ell = 1m$  length is very short at  $f_1$ . Current is uniform. This length is not very short at  $f_2$ . Current is not uniform.

For the purpose of analysis we may consider that the short dipole appears as follows:



Define the current element:  $I d\overline{\ell} = I d\ell \hat{a}_z$ It is uniform along  $d\ell$ . It has sinusoidal time variation  $\sin \omega t$  ( $e^{j\omega t}$ ).

### **Electric and Magnetic Fields**

We know that

$$\overline{B} = \nabla \times \overline{A}$$
$$\overline{H} = \frac{1}{u} \nabla \times \overline{A}$$

where  $\overline{A}$  is the magnetic vector potential.

$$\overline{A}(\overline{r}) = \frac{\mu}{4\pi} \int_{v} \frac{e^{-jkR}}{R} \left( \overline{J}dv' \right)$$
$$\overline{J}dv' \to \overline{K}ds' \to Id\overline{\ell}'$$

So, for Hertzian Dipole:

$$\overline{A}(\overline{r}) = \frac{\mu}{4\pi} \int_{C} I d\overline{l} \cdot \frac{e^{-jkR}}{R}$$

#### **Maxwell's Equations**

$$\nabla \times \overline{E} = -\frac{\partial \overline{B}}{\partial t} \qquad \qquad \nabla \times \overline{H} = \overline{J} + \frac{\partial \overline{D}}{\partial t}$$
$$\nabla .\overline{D} = \rho_{v} \qquad \qquad \nabla .\overline{B} = 0$$

So, if we know  $Id \overline{\ell}$ , we can obtain,  $\overline{A} \to \overline{B} \to \overline{H} \to \overline{E}$ Calculate  $\overline{A}$ :

$$\overline{A}(x, y, z) = \frac{\mu}{4\pi} \int_{C} I(x', y', z') \frac{e^{-jkR}}{R} d\overline{l}'$$

where

 $\overline{A}(\overline{r}) = \overline{A}(x, y, z)$  is the magnetic vector potential at the point (x, y, z)(x, y, z) coordinates are used for observation point, (x', y', z') coordinates are used for the source point,  $\overline{r}$  is the vector from the origin to the observation point.

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$$R = \left| \overline{r} - \overline{r}^{1} \right| = \left[ \left( x - x^{'} \right)^{2} + \left( y - y^{'} \right)^{2} + \left( z - z^{'} \right)^{2} \right]^{1/2}$$

 $d\overline{l}$  is the infinitesimal length element along the source.

Since the source current is very small electrically, we may consider it to be just on the origin, *O*.

# So, I = constant w.r.t.(x', y', z'),

 $R \approx r$ .  $d\overline{l}' = \hat{a}_z dz' \qquad k = \omega \sqrt{\varepsilon \mu} \text{ . Then,}$   $\overline{A}(x, y, z) = \frac{\mu}{4\pi} I \frac{e^{-jkr}}{r} \int_{-\ell/2}^{\ell/2} dz' \hat{a}_z = \frac{\mu I \ell}{4\pi} \frac{e^{-jkr}}{r} \hat{a}_z$   $r = \left(x^2 + y^2 + z^2\right)^{1/2}$   $\overline{A} = \frac{\mu I \ell}{4\pi} \frac{e^{-jkr}}{r} \hat{a}_z$ 

 $\overline{A}$  is along the z-axis. It has only the z-component in the Cartesian coordinates. In the spherical coordinates:

$$A_r = A_z \cos \theta$$
$$A_\theta = -A_z \sin \theta$$
$$A_\phi = 0$$

The magnetic flux density:

$$\overline{B} = \nabla X \,\overline{A}$$
$$\overline{H} = \frac{1}{\mu} \nabla X \overline{A} = \frac{\hat{a}_{\phi}}{r\mu} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (rA_{\theta}) - \frac{\partial A_{r}}{\partial \theta} \right]$$

Conducting the derivative operations:

$$H_{r} = 0$$

$$H_{\theta} = 0$$
$$H_{\phi} = j \frac{kI\ell}{4\pi r} \sin \theta \left(1 + \frac{1}{jkr}\right) e^{-jkr}$$

Calculate the electric field intensity:

$$\nabla X \overline{H} = j \omega \varepsilon \overline{E}$$
$$\overline{E} = \frac{\nabla X \overline{H}}{j \omega \varepsilon}$$

Which results:

$$E_{r} = \eta \frac{I\ell}{2\pi r^{2}} \cos\theta \left(1 + \frac{1}{jkr}\right) e^{-jkr}$$
$$E_{\theta} = j\eta \frac{kI\ell}{4\pi r} \sin\theta \left(1 + \frac{1}{jkr} - \frac{1}{(kr)^{2}}\right) e^{-jkr}$$

$$E_{\phi} = 0$$

Let 
$$\frac{kI\ell}{4\pi} = C$$

Then,

$$H_{\phi} = jC\sin\theta \left(\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{jkr^2}\right)e^{-jkr}$$

$$H_{\phi} = jkC\sin\theta \left(\frac{1}{kr} + \frac{1}{j(kr)^2}\right)e^{-jkt}$$

Let

$$jkC = D$$

$$H_{\phi} = \left(\frac{D\sin\theta}{kr} + \frac{D\sin\theta}{j(kr)^2}\right)e^{-jkr}$$

- $E_r$  has  $\frac{1}{r^2}$  and  $\frac{1}{r^3}$
- $E_{ heta}$  has  $rac{1}{r}$  ,  $rac{1}{r^2}$  and  $rac{1}{r^3}$

A z-directed current element (infinitesimal) kept at the origin has only the  $H_{\phi}$ ,  $E_r$ and  $E_{\theta}$  components and further the fields have components that decay as  $\frac{1}{r}$ ,  $\frac{1}{r^2}$  and  $\frac{1}{r^3}$  away from the current element.

Thus, these expressions form a convenient basis for classifying the fields of any antenna depending on the nature of decay of the antenna.

$$E_r = \eta \frac{k^2 I \ell \cos \theta}{2\pi} e^{-jkr} \left[ \frac{1}{\left(kr\right)^2} + \frac{1}{j\left(kr\right)^3} \right]$$
$$E_\theta = j\eta \frac{k^2 I \ell \sin \theta}{4\pi} e^{-jkr} \left[ \frac{1}{\left(kr\right)^2} + \frac{1}{j\left(kr\right)^2} - \frac{1}{\left(kr\right)^3} \right]$$

For large values of kr, i.e.,  $kr \gg 1$  (or  $\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}r \gg 1$  or  $r \gg \lambda$  the terms containing  $\frac{1}{(kr)^2}$  and  $\frac{1}{(kr)^3}$  decay much faster than  $\frac{1}{kr}$ . Therefore, at large distances from the Hertzian dipole, we have only:

$$E_{\theta} = j\eta \frac{kI\ell\sin\theta}{4\pi} \frac{e^{-jkr}}{r}$$
$$H_{\phi} = \frac{jkI\ell\sin\theta}{4\pi} \frac{e^{-jkr}}{r}$$

Fields are in time phase.

$$\frac{E_{\theta}}{H_{\phi}} = \eta = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\varepsilon}} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_o}{\varepsilon_o}} = 120\pi \approx 377\Omega \quad \text{in air, can be considered}$$

as uniform plane wave.

#### **POWER / RADIATION RASISTANCE**

#### **INFINITESIMAL DIPOLE**

$$\overline{E} = E_r \hat{a}_r + E_\theta \hat{a}_\theta$$

$$\overline{H} = H_{\phi}\hat{a}_{\phi}$$

**Complex Poynting Vector:** 

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \left( \bar{E} X \bar{H}^* \right)$$

$$\overline{E}X\overline{H}^* = \left(E_r\hat{a}_r + E_\theta\hat{a}_\theta\right)XH_\phi^*\hat{a}_\phi = -E_rH_\phi^*\hat{a}_\theta + E_\theta H_\phi^*\hat{a}_r$$
$$W = \frac{1}{2}\left(E_\theta H_\phi^*\hat{a}_r - E_r H_\phi^*\hat{a}_\theta\right)$$

Fields:

$$E_{r} = \eta \frac{I\ell}{2\pi r^{2}} \cos\theta \left(1 + \frac{1}{jkr}\right) e^{-jkr}$$

$$E_{\theta} = j\eta \frac{k^{2}I\ell\sin\theta}{4\pi} \left[\frac{1}{(kr)} + \frac{1}{j(kr)^{2}} - \frac{1}{(kr)^{3}}\right] e^{-jkr}$$

$$H_{\phi} = j \frac{kI\ell}{4\pi r} \sin\theta \left(1 + \frac{1}{jkr}\right) e^{-jkr}$$

$$W_{r} = \frac{1}{2} \left( E_{\theta} H_{\phi}^{*} \right) = \frac{\eta}{8} \left| \frac{I\ell}{\lambda} \right|^{2} \left( \frac{\sin^{2} \theta}{r^{2}} \right) \left[ 1 - j \frac{1}{\left(kr\right)^{3}} \right]$$
$$W_{\theta} = j\eta \frac{k \left| I\ell \right|^{2} \cos \theta \sin \theta}{16\pi^{2} r^{3}} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{\left(kr\right)^{2}} \right]$$

## **Complex Power Moving in Radial Direction**

$$P = \bigoplus_{S} \overline{W}.\hat{a}_{n} ds$$

$$P = \int_{0}^{2\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} \left( \hat{a}_r W_r + \hat{a}_{\theta} W_{\theta} \right) \cdot \hat{a}_r r^2 \sin \theta d\theta d\phi$$

$$P = \int_{0}^{2\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} W_r r^2 \sin\theta d\theta d\phi = \eta \frac{\pi}{3} \left| \frac{I\ell}{\lambda} \right|^2 \left[ 1 - j \frac{1}{\left(kr\right)^3} \right] \quad \text{Watt.}$$

 $W_{\!\theta}$  is purely imaginary, so it will not contribute to any real power.

Consider

$$P = \frac{1}{2} \int \left( \overline{E} X \overline{H}^* \right) \hat{a}_n ds = \eta \left( \frac{\pi}{3} \right) \left| \frac{I\ell}{\lambda} \right|^2 \left[ 1 - j \frac{1}{\left( kr \right)^3} \right]$$
$$P = P_{rad} + j2\omega \left( \tilde{w}_m - \tilde{w}_e \right)$$

P = Power (in radial direction)

 $P_{rad}$  = Time average radiated power (in radial direction)

 $\tilde{W}_m$  =Time average magnetic energy density (in the radial direction)

 $ilde{\mathcal{W}}_e$  =Time average electric energy density (in the radial direction)

 $2\omega(\tilde{w}_m - \tilde{w}_e)$  = Time averaged imaginary (reactive) power (in the radial dir). Comparison gives:

$$P_{rad} = \eta \left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \left|\frac{I\ell}{\lambda}\right|^2$$

We associate a resistance to  $P_{\it rad}$  (radiation resistance) as:

$$P_{rad} = \frac{1}{2} |I|^2 R_r = \eta \left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \left|\frac{I\ell}{\lambda}\right|^2$$
$$R_r = \eta \left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) \left|\frac{\ell}{\lambda}\right|^2 \Omega$$
$$R_r = 80\pi^2 \left(\frac{\ell}{\lambda}\right)^2$$
$$2\omega \left(\tilde{w}_m - \tilde{w}_e\right) = -\eta \left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \left|\frac{I\ell}{\lambda}\right|^2 \frac{1}{(kr)^3}$$

It is clear from the above equation that the radial electric energy must be larger than radial magnetic energy.

For (large values of kr) 
$$kr >> 1, \ 2\omega (\tilde{w}_m - \tilde{w}_e) \rightarrow 0$$

And

$$2\omega(\tilde{w}_m-\tilde{w}_e)=0$$
,  $r=\infty$ 

**DIRECTIVE GAIN** 

$$D_g = \frac{4\pi U}{P_{rad}}$$

The procedure is:

$$\overline{E} \to W \to U \to D_g$$
$$W = \frac{1}{2} \frac{|E^2|}{\eta}$$

$$U = r^{2}W$$

$$E_{\theta} = j\eta \frac{kI\ell \sin\theta}{4\pi} \frac{e^{-jkr}}{r}$$

$$U = \frac{\eta}{2} \frac{k^{2}I\ell}{(4\pi)^{2}} \sin^{2}\theta$$

$$P_{rad} = \eta \left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \left(\frac{I\ell}{\lambda}\right)^{2}$$

Directive gain:

$$D_g = 1.5 \sin^2 \theta$$

Directivity=  $D_{\rm max} = 1.5$ 

Radiation Pattern:

$$U = U_{\rm max} \sin^2 \theta$$