

LINEAR SMALL DIPOLE

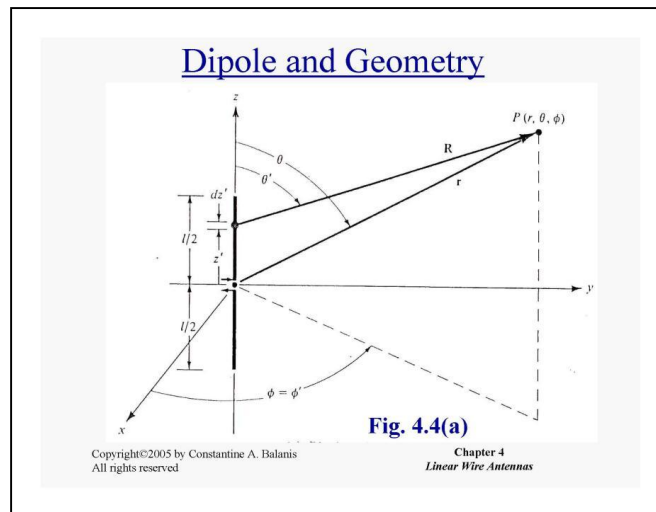
The length of infinitesimal dipole is usually taken as

$$\ell \leq \frac{\lambda}{50}$$

The current distribution is uniform.

We call the wire antenna as small dipole if it's length is:

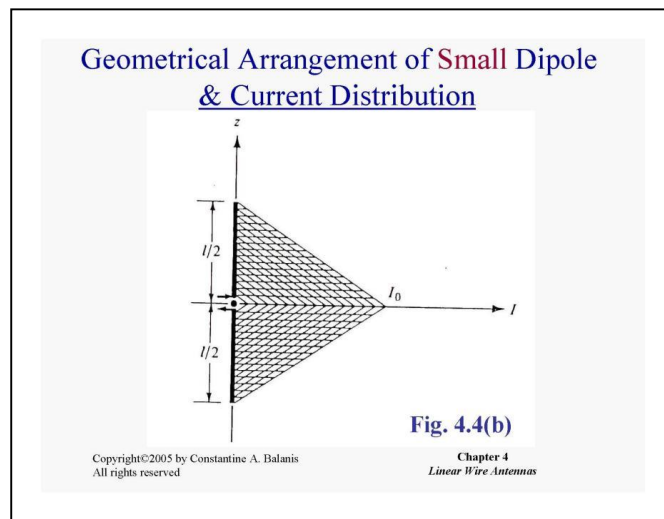
$$\frac{\lambda}{50} \leq \ell \leq \frac{\lambda}{10}$$



A better approximation for this case is a triangular variation. As the length of the dipole increases, the sinusoidal current variation becomes a better approximation.

$$I(x', y', z') = \begin{cases} I_o \left(1 - \frac{2}{\ell} z' \right) & 0 \leq z' \leq \frac{\ell}{2} \\ I_o \left(1 + \frac{2}{\ell} z' \right) & -\frac{\ell}{2} \leq z' \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

Flowing along the z-axis.



As $R \approx r$ inside the integral, we can write the vector potential for the triangular current variation:

$$\bar{A}(x, y, z) = \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \left[\hat{a}_z \int_{-l/2}^0 I_o \left(1 + \frac{2}{l} z' \right) \frac{e^{-jkR}}{R} dz' + \hat{a}_z \int_0^{l/2} I_o \left(1 - \frac{2}{l} z' \right) \frac{e^{-jkR}}{R} dz' \right]$$

$$\bar{A} = \hat{a}_z A_z = \hat{a}_z \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\mu_o I_o \ell e^{-jkr}}{4\pi r} \right]$$

This \bar{A} is half of the \bar{A} for infinitesimal dipole (Hertzian dipole).

$$\text{As } \bar{H} = \frac{1}{\mu} (\nabla \times \bar{A})$$

\bar{H} will be the same as before but divided by $\frac{1}{2}$. Similarly $\bar{E} = \frac{1}{2}$ of the Hertzian dipole (as $|\bar{E}| = \frac{|\bar{H}|}{\eta}$).

Field component for $kr \rightarrow \infty$ (in the far field):

$$E_\theta \approx j\eta \frac{kI_o \ell \sin \theta e^{-jkr}}{8\pi r}$$

$$H_\phi \approx \frac{jkI_o \ell \sin \theta e^{-jkr}}{8\pi r}$$

$$E_r = E_\phi = H_r = H_\theta = 0$$

As $E_\theta = E_{\max} \sin \theta$, field pattern and power pattern are the same with the infinitesimal dipole.

Power density is
$$W = \frac{1}{2} \frac{|E_\theta|^2}{\eta}$$

So, $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Hertzian dipole. P_{rad} , U are also $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Hertzian dipole.

Radiation resistance of small dipole is:

$$R_r = \frac{2P_{rad}}{|I_o|^2}$$

Since field magnitudes are half of the infinitesimal dipole the radiated power is $\frac{1}{4}$ of the infinitesimal dipole.

$$R_r = \frac{2P_{rad}}{|I_o|^2} = 80\pi^2 \left(\frac{\ell}{\lambda}\right)^2$$

for the infinitesimal dipole. So:

$$R_r = 20\pi^2 \left(\frac{\ell}{\lambda}\right)^2$$

for the small dipole.

Directivity

$$D_g = 4\pi \frac{U}{P_{rad}} \text{ is same as before since } U_{SD} = \frac{U_{HD}}{4} \text{ and } P_{radSD} = \frac{P_{radHD}}{4}$$

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

FINITE LENGTH DIPOLE (along z -axis)

Length of the dipole: $\ell > \frac{\lambda}{10}$

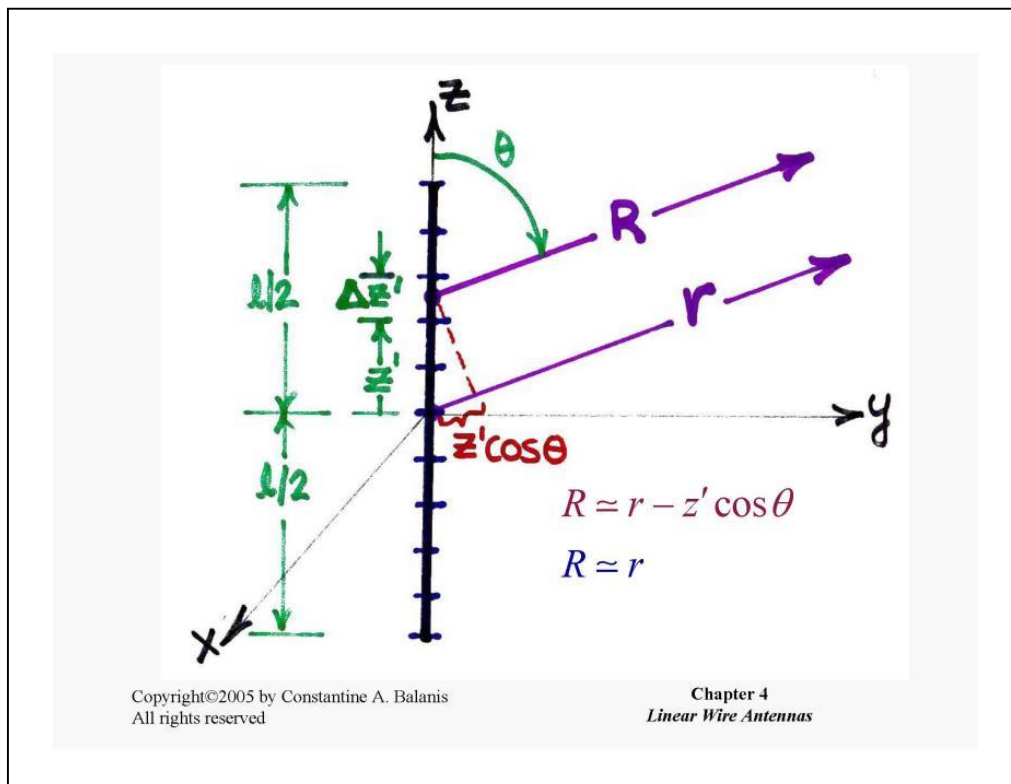
Assumption: The dipole has a negligible diameter. This is a good approximation if $d \ll \lambda$ (where d is the diameter).

Current Distribution:

If the dipole is very thin, a very good approximation for the distribution of current will be as:

$$I(z') = \begin{cases} I_o \sin \left[k \left(\frac{\ell}{2} - z' \right) \right] & 0 \leq z' \leq \frac{\ell}{2} \\ I_o \sin \left[k \left(\frac{\ell}{2} + z' \right) \right] & -\frac{\ell}{2} \leq z' \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

The antenna is center-fed and the current vanishes at the end points.



Radiated Fields

The finite dipole is subdivided into a number of infinitesimal dipoles of length $\Delta z'$.

Electric and magnetic field components of an Hertzian dipole of length dz' , in the far-field:

$$dE_{\theta} \cong j\eta \frac{kI(z')e^{-jkR}}{4\pi R} \sin\theta dz'$$

$$dE_r \simeq dE_{\phi} = dH_r = dH_{\theta} = 0$$

$$dH_{\phi} \simeq j \frac{kI(z')}{4\pi R} \sin\theta dz'$$

Geometrical Approximation:

$R \simeq r - z' \cos\theta$ for phase terms

$R \simeq r$ for amplitude terms

We can then write:

$$E_{\theta} \simeq j\eta \frac{kI(z')e^{-jkr}}{4\pi r} \sin\theta e^{jkz' \cos\theta} dz'$$

$$E_{\theta} \simeq j\eta \frac{ke^{-jkr}}{4\pi r} \sin\theta \left[\int_{-\ell/2}^{\ell/2} I(z') e^{jkz' \cos\theta} dz' \right]$$

Notice that:

Total field= element factor X space factor

Element factor=pattern multiplication

Now, substitute the expression for $I(z')$ into the above integral:

$$E_{\theta} \approx j\eta \frac{ke^{-jkr}}{4\pi r} \sin \theta \left[\int_{-\ell/2}^0 \sin\left[k\left(\frac{\ell}{2} + z'\right)\right] e^{jkz'\cos\theta} dz' + \int_0^{\ell/2} \sin\left[k\left(\frac{\ell}{2} - z'\right)\right] e^{jkz'\cos\theta} dz' \right]$$

$$\int e^{\alpha x} \sin(\beta x + \gamma) dx = \frac{e^{\alpha x}}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} [\alpha \sin(\beta x + \gamma) - \beta \cos(\beta x + \gamma)]$$

With

$$\alpha = \pm jk \cos \theta$$

$$\beta = \pm k$$

$$\gamma = k \frac{\ell}{2}$$

We find

$$E_{\theta} \approx j\eta \frac{I_0 e^{-jkr}}{2\pi r} \left[\frac{\cos\left(\frac{k\ell}{2} \cos \theta\right) - \cos\left(\frac{k\ell}{2}\right)}{\sin \theta} \right]$$

Similarly

$$H_{\phi} \approx \frac{E_{\theta}}{\eta}$$

Time averaged power density:

$$\bar{W}_{av} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} [\bar{E} \times \bar{H}^*]$$

$$\bar{W}_{av} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} \left[\hat{a}_\theta E_\theta \times \hat{a}_\phi H_\phi^* \right]$$

$$\bar{W}_{av} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} \left[\hat{a}_\theta E_\theta \times \hat{a}_\phi \frac{E_\theta^*}{\eta} \right]$$

$$\bar{W}_{av} = \hat{a}_r \frac{1}{2\eta} |E_\theta|^2$$

$$W_{av} = \eta \frac{|I_o|^2}{8\pi^2 r^2} \left| \frac{\cos\left(\frac{k\ell}{2} \cos\theta\right) - \cos\left(\frac{k\ell}{2}\right)}{\sin\theta} \right|^2$$

Radiation Intensity

$$U = r^2 W_{ar} = \eta \frac{|I_o|^2}{8\pi^2} \left| \frac{\cos\left(\frac{k\ell}{2} \cos\theta\right) - \cos\left(\frac{k\ell}{2}\right)}{\sin\theta} \right|^2$$

Half Wave Dipole:

A dipole that:

$$\ell = \frac{\lambda}{2} \quad \frac{k\ell}{2} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \frac{1}{2} \frac{\lambda}{2} = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{So, } \cos\left(\frac{k\ell}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$E_\theta = j\eta \frac{I_o e^{-jkr}}{2\pi r} \frac{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos\theta\right)}{\sin\theta}$$

Normalized field pattern (call it as $f(\theta)$):

$$f(\theta) = \frac{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\cos\theta\right)}{\sin\theta}$$

Field pattern:

$$\theta = 0 \rightarrow f(0) = \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\frac{-\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\cos\theta\right)\frac{\pi}{2}(-)\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} = 0$$

Maximum of $f(\theta)$ can be found from:

$$\frac{df(\theta)}{d\theta} = 0 \text{ is satisfied at } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\frac{\cos\left[\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)\right]}{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)} = \frac{\cos 0}{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)} = 1$$

Half-power beamwidth:

$$f(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\cos\theta\right)}{\sin\theta}$$

This equation is zero at $\theta_1 = 51^\circ$ and $\theta_1 = 129^\circ$. Then,

Elevation Plane Amplitude Patterns for a Thin Dipole with Sinusoidal Current Distribution ($l = \ll \lambda, \lambda/4, \lambda/2, 3\lambda/4, \lambda$)

HPBW

1. $l \leq \frac{\lambda}{50}$: HPBW = 90°

2. $l \leq \frac{\lambda}{2}$: HPBW = 74.93°

3. $l \leq \lambda$: HPBW = 47.8°

$\frac{\lambda}{50} \leq l \leq \lambda$

$90^\circ \geq \text{HPBW} \geq 47.8^\circ$

$\Delta(\text{HPBW}) = 42.2^\circ$

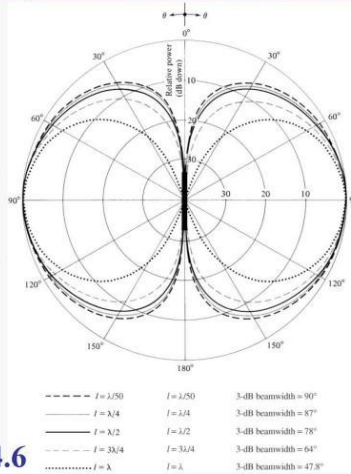


Fig. 4.6

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Chapter 4
Linear Wire Antennas

Radiation Intensity for a half wave dipole:

$$U = r^2 W_{ar} = \eta \frac{|I_o|^2}{8\pi^2} \left| \frac{\cos\left(\frac{kl}{2} \cos\theta\right) - \cos\left(\frac{kl}{2}\right)}{\sin\theta} \right|^2$$

$$U = r^2 W_{ar} = \eta \frac{|I_o|^2}{8\pi^2} \left| \frac{\cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos\theta\right)}{\sin^2\theta} \right|$$

$$P_{rad} = \oint_{\Omega} U d\Omega = \eta \frac{I_o^2}{8\pi} 2.435$$

Directive Gain:

$$D_g = \frac{4\pi U}{P_{rad}} = \frac{4}{2.435} \left[\frac{\cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos \theta\right)}{\sin^2 \theta} \right] = 1.64 \left[\frac{\cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos \theta\right)}{\sin^2 \theta} \right]$$

$$D_{max} = 1.64$$

Radiation pattern is similar to the Hertzian dipole.

Radiation Resistance:

$$R_r = \frac{2P_{rad}}{I_o^2} = \frac{2\eta I_o^2 2.435}{8\pi I_o^2} = \frac{2\eta 2.435}{8\pi}$$

$R_r \approx 73\Omega$ for half wave dipole.

LOOP ANTENNAS

SMALL CIRCULAR LOOP

Not as commonly used as dipole antennas. Counterpart of Hertzian dipole.

Single Circular Loop



Fig. 5.1(a)

Geometry for Circular Loop

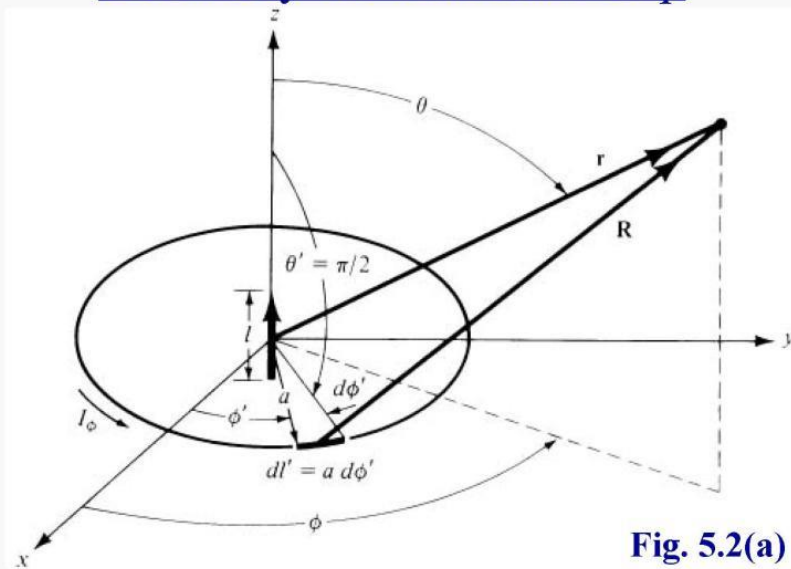


Fig. 5.2(a)

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Chapter 5
Loop Antennas

$$\bar{A} = \frac{\mu}{4\pi} \int I(x', y', z') \frac{e^{-jkR}}{R} d\bar{\ell}'$$

$$d\bar{\ell}' = a d\phi' \hat{a}_\phi \quad I = I_o = \text{Constant w.r.t } \phi' \text{ anticlockwise}$$

After expressing the distances and unit vectors in terms of appropriate coordinates, making relevant approximations we find:

$$\bar{A} = \hat{a}_\phi A_\phi = \hat{a}_\phi \frac{a^2 \mu I_o}{4} e^{-jkr} \left(\frac{jk}{r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \right) \sin \theta$$

Since:

$$\bar{H} = \frac{1}{\mu} (\nabla \times \bar{A})$$

We get,

$$H_r = j \frac{ka^2 I_o \cos \theta}{2r^2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{jkr} \right) e^{-jkr}$$

$$H_\theta = -\frac{(ka)^2 I_o \sin \theta}{4r} \left(1 + \frac{1}{jkr} - \frac{1}{(kr)^2} \right) e^{-jkr}$$

$$H_\phi = 0$$

$$E_r = E_\theta = 0$$

$$E_\phi = \eta \frac{(ka)^2 I_o \sin \theta}{4\pi} \left(1 + \frac{1}{jkr} \right) e^{-jkr}$$

FAR FIELDS

Let $kr \rightarrow \infty$, then

$$E_\phi = \eta \frac{k^2 a^2 I_o}{4r} e^{-jkr} \sin \theta$$

$$H_\theta = -\frac{k^2 a^2 I_o}{4r} e^{-jkr} \sin \theta$$

Normalized field and power patterns are the same with infinitesimal dipole and small dipole along the z-axis.

Power Density and Radiation Resistance

The field expression of a small loop, as given above, are valid everywhere except at the origin.

$$\bar{W} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re}(\bar{E}X\bar{H}^*) = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} \left[(\hat{a}_\phi E_\phi) X (\hat{a}_r \bar{H}_r^* X \hat{a}_\theta \bar{H}_\theta^*) \right]$$

$$W_r = -\frac{1}{2} E_\phi H_\theta^* \text{ radial component}$$

$$W_r = \eta \frac{(ka)^4}{32r^2} |I_o|^2 \sin^2 \theta \quad (W / m^2)$$

The radiation Intensity:

$$U = \eta \frac{(ka)^4}{32} |I_o|^2 \sin^2 \theta$$

Now, if we integrate W_r over a sphere of radius r , we get the complex power P_r :

$$P_r = \oiint_S W_r ds = \int \int W_r r^2 \sin \theta d\theta d\phi$$

$$P_r = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi U \sin \theta d\theta d\phi$$

$$P_{rad} = \text{Re}(P_r) = \eta \left(\frac{\pi}{12} \right) (ka)^4 |I_o|^2 \text{ Time average radiated power.}$$

$$P_{rad} = \frac{1}{2} |I_o|^2 R_r$$

Radiation resistance:

$$R_r = \eta \left(\frac{\pi}{6} \right) (ka)^4 = 20\pi^2 (ka)^4$$

Directive Gain

$$D_g = 4\pi \frac{U}{P_{rad}} = 1.5 \sin^2 \theta$$

Directivity same as the Hertzian dipole:

$$D_{\max} = 1.5$$