

# Antenna Theory and Design

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PROJECT 3

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# Topic 1

## Introduction

Design a linear array of isotropic elements placed along the z-axis such that the zeros of the array factor occur at  $\theta = 0^\circ$ ,  $60^\circ$ , and  $120^\circ$ . Assume that the elements are spaced  $\lambda/4$  apart and the progressive phase shift between them is  $0^\circ$ . Find the required number of elements, determine their excitation coefficients, and plot 2D pattern.

## Simulation

The procedure of calculation is in the code given. The output is a matrix that gives the excitation of each element and 2D pattern of the array factor in linear scale. In this case, the parameter setting is as below:

```
A = [0 pi/3 2*pi/3];
%A is the nulls of the pattern
d = 1/4;
%d is the distance between each element
b = 0;
%b is the progressive phase shift of each element
iso(A,d,b)
```

The output gives:

```
M =
1.0000 + 0.0000i -1.4142 - 1.0000i 1.0000 + 1.4142i -0.0000 - 1.0000i
```

Figure 1.1

Figure 1.1 gives the excitation of each element both in amplitude and phase.  $A_1 = 1; A_2 = 1.73e^{j215}; A_3 = 1.73e^{j55}; A_4 = e^{j270}$

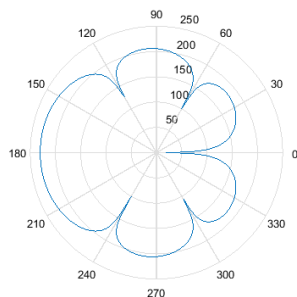


Figure 1.2

Figure 1.2 gives the 2D pattern of the array factor of the antenna array. It is clear there are three nulls at  $\theta = 0^\circ$ ,  $60^\circ$ , and  $120^\circ$ .

# Topic 2

## Introduction

Use a half-wavelength dipole array directed along the x axis to implement your design in topic 1. Plot 2D pattern in two principle planes and 3D pattern.

## Simulation

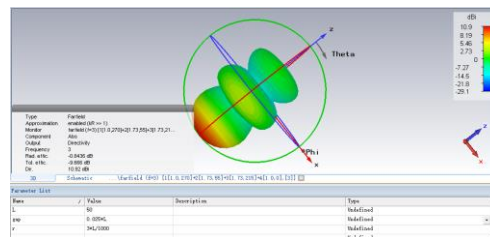


Figure 2.1

Figure 2.1 shows the 3D pattern of the simulation.

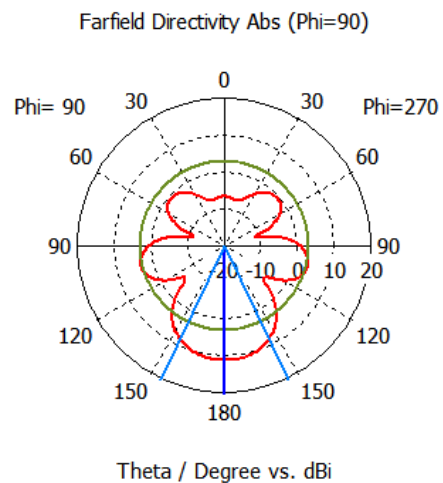


Figure 2.2

Figure 2.2 gives the 2D plot of the simulation at  $\phi=90^\circ$ .

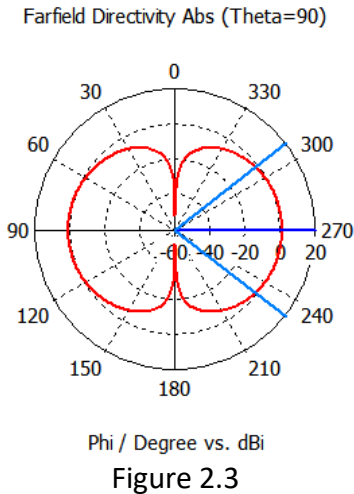


Figure 2.3 gives the 2D plot of the simulation at theta=90°.

### Conclusion

In real simulation results, the pattern with stimulation conditions calculated in topic 1 does not follow the theoretical pattern.

## Topic 3

### Introduction

Repeat topic 1 and 2 with a spacing of  $\lambda/8$ . Provide the same plots as topic 1 and 2.

### Simulation

```
A = [0 pi/3 2*pi/3];
%A is the nulls of the pattern
d = 1/8;
%d is the distance between each element
b = 0;
%b is the progressive phase shift of each element
iso(A,d,b)
```

The output gives:

```
M =
1.0000 + 0.0000i -2.5549 - 0.7071i 2.3066 + 1.3066i -0.7071 - 0.7071i
```

Figure 3.1

Figure 3.1 gives the excitation of each element both in amplitude and phase.

$$A_1 = 1; A_2 = 2.65e^{j196}; A_3 = 2.65e^{j30}; A_4 = e^{j225}$$

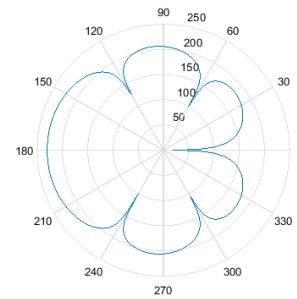


Figure 3.2

Figure 3.2 gives the 2D pattern of the array factor of the antenna array. It is clear there are three nulls at  $\theta = 0^\circ, 60^\circ,$  and  $120^\circ$ .

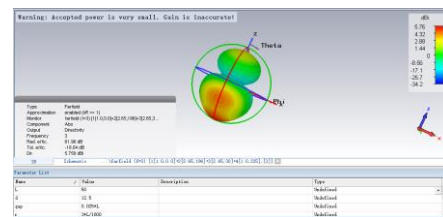


Figure 3.3

Figure 3.3 shows the 3D pattern of the simulation.

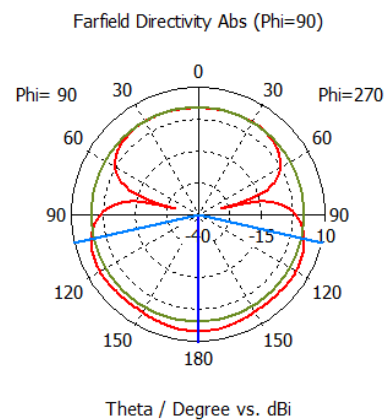
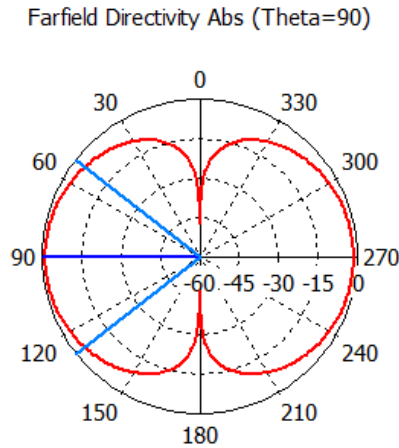


Figure 3.4

Figure 3.4 gives the 2D plot of the simulation at phi=90°.



Phi / Degree vs. dBi

Figure 3.5

Figure 3.5 gives the 2D plot of the simulation at theta=90°.

### Conclusion

The real pattern has great difference with the one which is calculated theoretically. The reason is the real pattern of an antenna array does not fit the equation of

Total Field=Single Element\*Array Factor which only holds true for infinitesimal dipole array.

## Topic 4

### Introduction

Design a linear array of isotropic elements placed along the z-axis such that the zeros of the array factor occur at  $\theta = 0^\circ, 135^\circ,$  and  $180^\circ$ . Assume that the elements are spaced  $\lambda/4$  apart with a progressive phase shift between them as  $0^\circ$ .

### Simulation

$A = [0 \ 3\pi/4 \ \pi]$ ;

%A is the nulls of the pattern

$d = 1/4$ ;

%d is the distance between each element

$b = 0$ ;

%b is the progressive phase shift of each element  
iso(A,d,b)

The output gives:

M =  
1.0000 + 0.0000i -0.4440 + 0.8950i 1.0000 - 0.0000i -0.4440 + 0.8950i

Figure 4.1

Figure 3.1 gives the excitation of each element both in amplitude and phase.  
 $A_1 = 1; A_2 = e^{j116}; A_3 = 1; A_4 = e^{j116}$

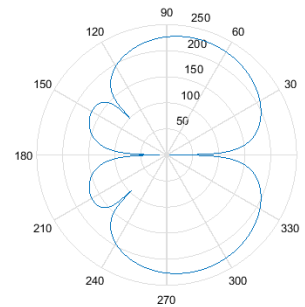


Figure 4.2

Figure 4.2 gives the 2D pattern of the array factor of the antenna array. It is clear there are three nulls at  $\theta = 0^\circ, 135^\circ,$  and  $180^\circ$ .

## Topic 5

### Introduction

Use an infinitesimal dipole array directed along the z axis to implement your design in topic 4. Plot 2D pattern and 3D pattern.

### Simulation

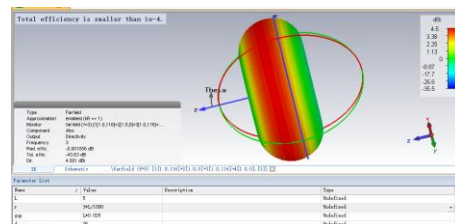


Figure 5.1

Figure 5.1 shows the 3D pattern of the simulation.

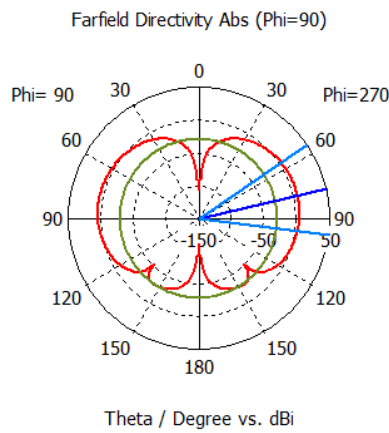


Figure 5.2

Figure 5.2 gives the 2D plot of the simulation at phi=90°.

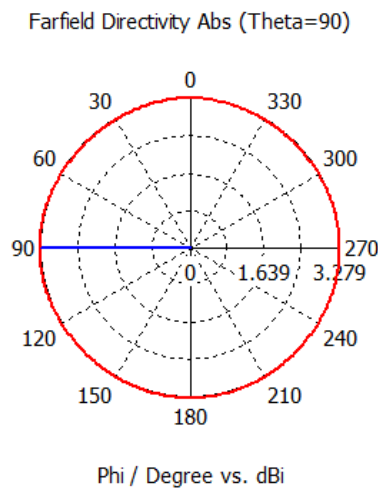


Figure 5.3

Figure 5.3 gives the 2D plot of the simulation at theta=90°.

### Conclusion

In this section, the real simulation result is similar with the pattern in calculation. It is because the single element of the antenna array is infinitesimal dipole.

## Topic 6 Introduction

Design a linear array of infinitesimal dipoles directed and placed along the z-axis such that the zeros of the array factor occur at  $\theta = 0^\circ, 10^\circ, 30^\circ, 40^\circ, 60^\circ, 70^\circ, 90^\circ, 110^\circ, 120^\circ, 140^\circ, 150^\circ, 170^\circ,$  and  $180^\circ$ . Assume that the elements are spaced  $\lambda/4$  apart and that the progressive phase shift between them is  $0^\circ$ . Find the required number of elements, determine their excitation coefficients, and plot 2D pattern.

### Simulation

```
M =
1.0e+02 *
Columns 1 through 6
0.8100 + 0.0000i -0.0532 - 0.0000i 0.1681 + 0.0000i -0.3808 - 0.0000i 0.6746 + 0.0000i -0.9709 - 0.0000i
Columns 7 through 12
1.1598 + 0.0000i -1.1598 - 0.0000i 0.9709 + 0.0000i -0.6746 - 0.0000i 0.3808 + 0.0000i -0.1681 - 0.0000i
Columns 13 through 14
0.0532 + 0.0000i -0.0100 - 0.0000i
```

Figure 6.1

Figure 1.1 gives the excitation of each element both in amplitude and phase.

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_1 &= 0.01; A_2 = 0.0532e^{180^\circ}; \\
 A_3 &= 0.1681; A_4 = 0.3808e^{180^\circ}; \\
 A_5 &= 0.6746; A_6 = 0.9709e^{180^\circ}; \\
 A_7 &= 1.1598; A_8 = 1.1598e^{180^\circ}; \\
 A_9 &= 0.9709; A_{10} = 0.6746e^{180^\circ}; \\
 A_{11} &= 0.3808; A_{12} = 0.1681e^{180^\circ}; \\
 A_{13} &= 0.0532; A_{14} = 0.01e^{180^\circ}
 \end{aligned}$$

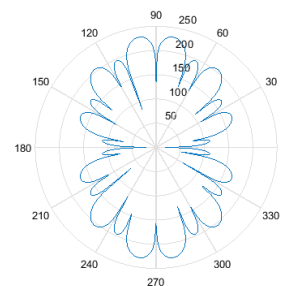


Figure 6.2

Figure 6.2 gives the 2D pattern of the array factor of the antenna array. It is clear there are three nulls at  $\theta = 0^\circ, 10^\circ,$

30°, 40°, 60°, 70°, 90°, 110°, 120°, 140°, 150°, 170° and 180°.

## Topic 7

### Introduction

Design the current distribution on a line-source placed along the z-axis whose desired radiation pattern is given by  $SF(\theta) = 1$  for  $\pi/4 \leq \theta \leq 3\pi/4$  and 0 elsewhere. Plot the desired current distribution. Truncate the current to  $5\lambda$ ,  $10\lambda$  and  $20\lambda$  long and plot the corresponding space factor together with the desired pattern.

### Simulation

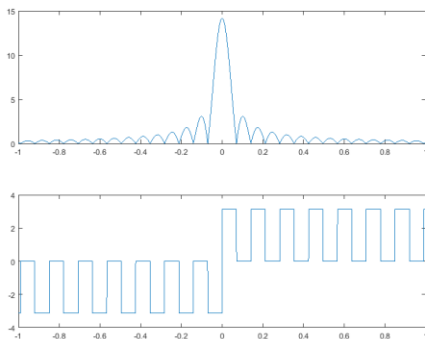


Figure 7.1

Figure 7.1 shows the current distribution by calculating Fourier Transform of the space factor in Matlab.

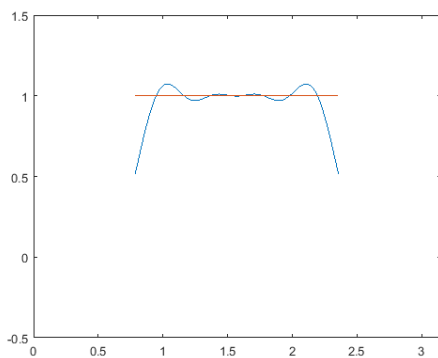


Figure 7.2

Figure 7.2 is the space factor by calculating the inverse of Fourier Transform of the current which is truncated as  $5\lambda$  in length. The red line is the ideal case.

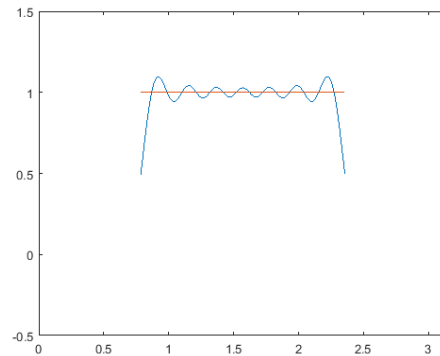


Figure7.3

Figure 7.3 is the space factor by calculating the inverse of Fourier Transform of the current which is truncated as  $10\lambda$  in length. The red line is the ideal case.

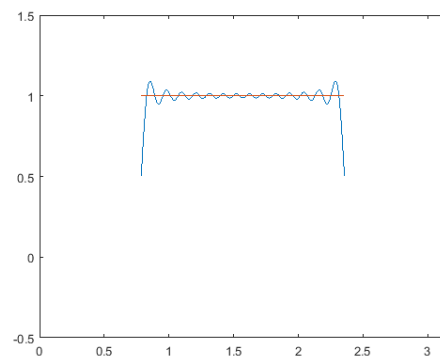


Figure7.4

Figure 7.4 is the space factor by calculating the inverse of Fourier Transform of the current which is truncated as  $20\lambda$  in length. The red line is the ideal case.

### Conclusion

In this section, it proves that the space factor and the current distribution has a relationship as a Fourier Transform pair. And when the current distribution is given, the synthesis of space factor has a

better similarity compared with the ideal case.

## Topic 8

### Introduction

Repeat topic 7 with  $SF(\theta) = 1$  for  $3\pi/8 \leq \theta \leq 5\pi/8$  and 0 elsewhere. Beside provide the same plots as topic 7, also compare the desired current distribution in this topic with that in topic 7.

### Simulation

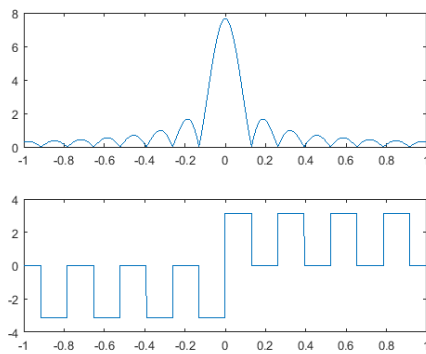


Figure 8.1

Figure 8.1 shows the current distribution by calculating Fourier Transform of the space factor in Matlab.

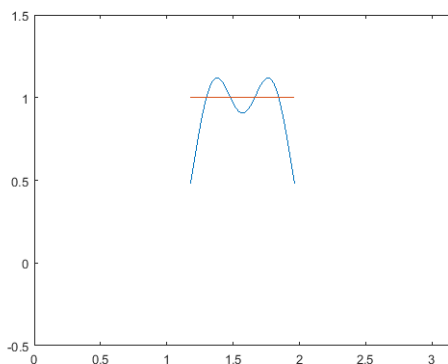


Figure 8.2

Figure 8.2 is the space factor by calculating the inverse of Fourier Transform of the current which is truncated as  $5\lambda$  in length. The red line is the ideal case.

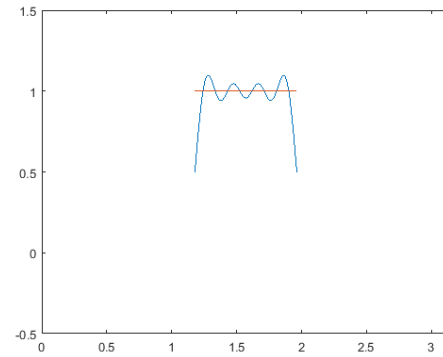


Figure 8.3

Figure 8.3 is the space factor by calculating the inverse of Fourier Transform of the current which is truncated as  $10\lambda$  in length. The red line is the ideal case.

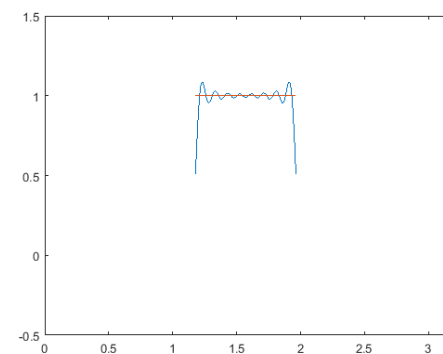


Figure 8.4

Figure 8.4 is the space factor by calculating the inverse of Fourier Transform of the current which is truncated as  $20\lambda$  in length. The red line is the ideal case.

### Conclusion

When the width of SF is decreased, the amplitude of the sinc function as the current distribution would as be decreased, while the width of spread will be enhanced.

## Topic 9

### Introduction

Repeat topic 7 with  $SF(\theta) = 1$  for  $\pi/3 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$  and 0 elsewhere. Provide the

same plots as topic 7.

## Simulation

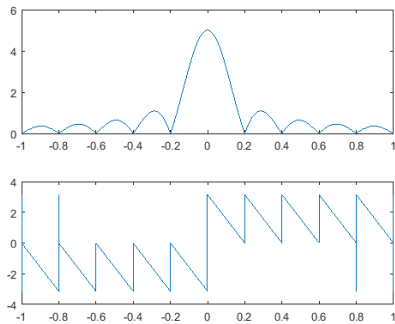


Figure 9.1

Figure 9.1 shows the current distribution by calculating Fourier Transform of the space factor in Matlab.

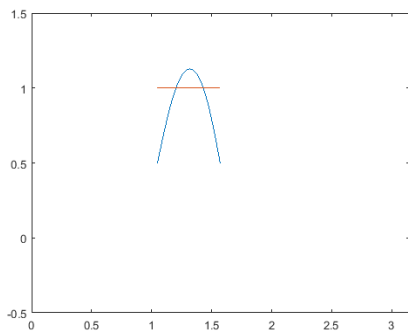


Figure 9.2

Figure 9.2 is the space factor by calculating the inverse of Fourier Transform of the current which is truncated as  $5\lambda$  in length. The red line is the ideal case.

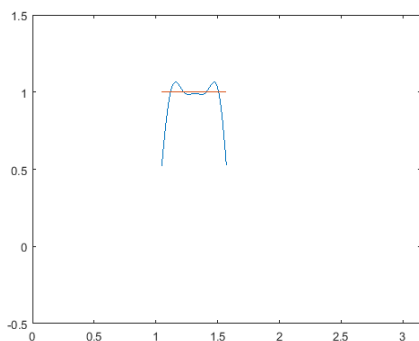


Figure 9.3

Figure 9.3 is the space factor by calculating the inverse of Fourier Transform of the current which is truncated as  $10\lambda$  in length. The red line is the ideal case.

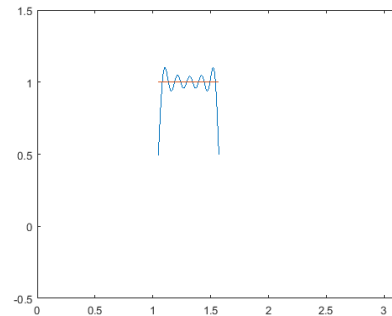


Figure 9.4

Figure 9.4 is the space factor by calculating the inverse of Fourier Transform of the current which is truncated as  $20\lambda$  in length. The red line is the ideal case.

## Conclusion

In Figure 9.1, it is clear the amplitude of the current distribution is symmetric while the phase isn't. It is because the space factor is not symmetric to the  $\pi/2$  anymore. It also gives a intuition that the similarity of synthesis space factor is lower when the width of the origin one is decreased.

## Topic 10

### Introduction

Repeat topic 7 with a linear array of  $d = \lambda/2$ . Try 11 and 21 elements. Plot the array factor together with the desired pattern.



### Simulation

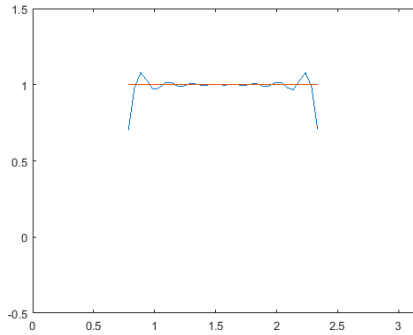


Figure 10.1

Figure 10.1 shows the synthesis of space factor with 11 elements.

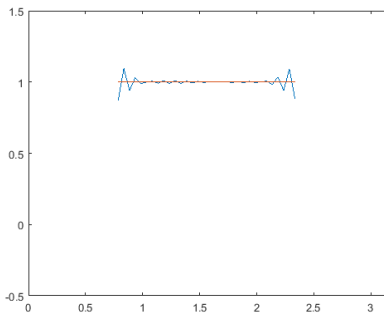


Figure 10.2

Figure 10.2 shows the synthesis of space factor with 21 elements.

### Conclusion

It is clear when the number of elements is increased, the similarity of space factor is higher compared with the origin pattern.

## Topic 11

### Introduction

Use an infinitesimal dipole array directed and placed along the z axis to implement your design in topic 10 for both 11 and 21 elements. Plot 2D pattern and 3D pattern.

### Simulation

#### 1. 11 elements

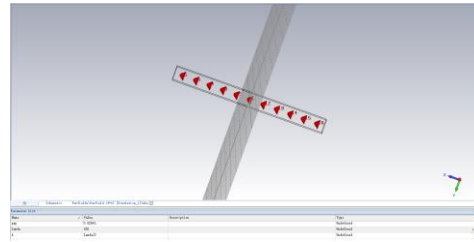


Figure 11.1.1

Figure 11.1.1 gives the schematic of simulation.

Excitation Selection

Excitation	Power avg.	Ampli.	Phase shift	Signal
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 1	100.437	14.173	180	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 2	4.73089	3.076	0.0	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 3	0.312841	0.791	180	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 4	0.284258	0.754	180	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 5	0.235985	0.687	0.0	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 6	0.01445	0.17	0.0	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 12	4.73089	3.076	0.0	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 13	0.312841	0.791	180	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 14	0.284258	0.754	180	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 15	0.235985	0.687	0.0	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 16	0.01445	0.17	0.0	default

Simultaneous excitation  
 Activate  Automatic labeling  
 Label: Simulation\_1  
 List:   
 Excitation offset  
 Time shift  Phase shift Phase reference frequency: 3

Figure 11.1.2

Figure 11.1.2 shows the excitations of each ports showed in figure 11.1.1. Data is drawn from topic 7.

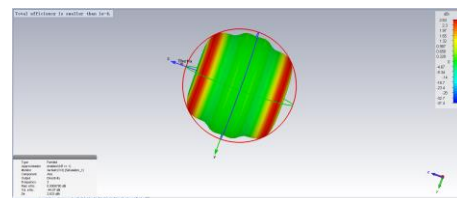


Figure 11.1.3

Figure 11.1.3 shows the 3D pattern of the simulation.

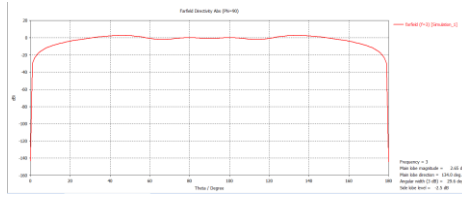


Figure 11.1.4

Figure 11.1.4 shows the 2D pattern of the simulation in Cartesian coordinate.

## 2. 21 elements

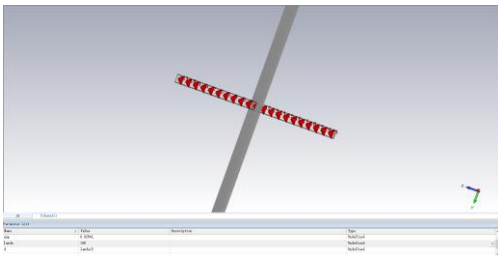


Figure 11.2.1

Figure 11.2.1 gives the schematic of simulation.

Excitation Selection

Excitation	Power avg.	Ampl.	Phase shift	Signal
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 1	100.437	14.173	180	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 2	4.73089	3.076	0.0	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 3	0.312841	0.791	180	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 4	0.284258	0.754	180	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 5	0.235985	0.687	0.0	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 6	0.01445	0.17	0.0	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 7	0.140981	0.531	180	default
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 14	0.284258	0.754	180	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 15	0.235985	0.687	0.0	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 16	0.01445	0.17	0.0	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 17	0.140981	0.531	180	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 18	0.0063845	0.113	0.0	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 19	0.0603781	0.3475	0.0	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 20	0.0305045	0.247	180	default
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port 21	0.013448	0.164	180	default

Simultaneous excitation  
 Activate  Automatic labeling  
 Label: Simulation\_1  
 List:   
 Excitation offset  
 Time shift  Phase shift Phase reference frequency: 3

Figure 11.2.2

Figure 11.2.2 shows the excitations of each ports showed in figure 11.2.1. Data is drawn from topic 7.

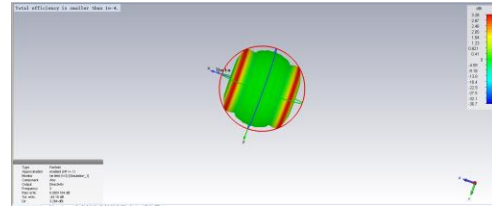


Figure 11.2.3

Figure 11.2.3 shows the 3D pattern of the simulation.

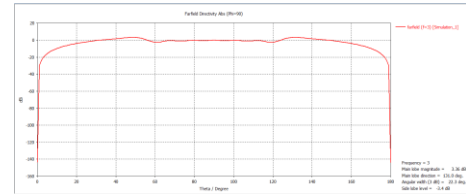


Figure 11.2.4

Figure 11.2.4 shows the 2D pattern of the simulation in Cartesian coordinate.

## Conclusion

In simulation, it is also true that with more elements which will produce a better perform space factor compared with the ideal case.

## Topic 12

### Introduction

Use an infinitesimal dipole array directed and placed along the z axis to synthesize a pattern given by the following expression. Use 31 elements and  $d = \lambda/2$ . Plot 2D pattern in Cartesian coordinate and 3D pattern.

$$SF = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{30}\theta - 2, & 60^\circ \leq \theta \leq 90^\circ \\ 4 - \frac{1}{30}\theta, & 90^\circ \leq \theta \leq 120^\circ \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

### Simulation

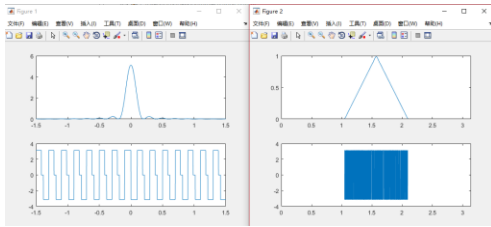


Figure 12.1

Figure 12.1 shows the current distribution and the synthesis of the space factor by calculating Fourier Transform in Matlab.

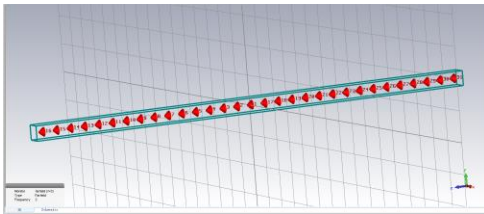


Figure 12.2

Figure 12.2 gives the schematic of simulation.

Excitation	Power avg.	Ampl.	Phase shift	Signal
Port 1	13.0939	5.1174	180	default
Port 2	2.0285	2.0142	180	default
Port 3	0.00060552	0.0348	0.0	default
Port 4	0.0265651	0.2305	180	default
Port 5	4.232e-005	0.0092	0.0	default
Port 6	0.00346112	0.0832	180	default
Port 7	8.405e-006	0.0041	0.0	default
Port 8	0.000903125	0.0425	180	default
Port 9	2.645e-006	0.0023	0.0	default
Port 10	0.000330245	0.0257	180	default
Port 11	1.125e-006	0.0015	0.0	default
Port 12	0.00014792	0.0172	180	default
Port 13	5e-007	0.001	0.0	default
Port 14	7.5645e-005	0.0123	180	default
Port 15	2.92612e-007	7.65e-4	0.0	default
Port 16	4.3245e-005	0.0093	180	default
Port 17	2.0285	2.0142	180	default
Port 18	0.00060552	0.0348	0.0	default
Port 19	0.0265651	0.2305	180	default
Port 20	4.232e-005	0.0092	0	default
Port 21	0.00346112	0.0832	180	default
Port 22	8.405e-006	0.0041	0.0	default
Port 23	0.000903125	0.0425	180	default
Port 24	2.645e-006	0.0023	0.0	default
Port 25	0.000330245	0.0257	180	default
Port 26	1.125e-006	0.0015	0.0	default
Port 27	0.00014792	0.0172	180	default
Port 28	5e-007	0.001	0.0	default
Port 29	7.5645e-005	0.0123	180	default
Port 30	2.92612e-007	7.65e-4	0.0	default
Port 31	4.3245e-005	-0.0093	180	default

Figure 12.3

Figure 12.3 shows the excitations of each ports showed in figure 12.2. Data is drawn from simulation in Matlab in previous section.

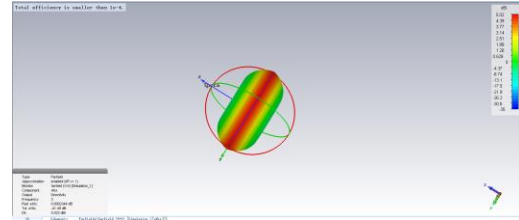


Figure 12.4

Figure 12.4 shows the 3D pattern of the simulation.

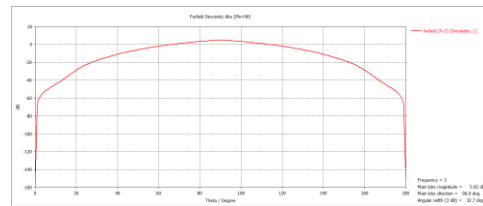


Figure 12.5

Figure 12.5 shows the 2D pattern of the simulation in Cartesian coordinate.

### Conclusion

In the case, the space factor is not uniform. From the result, we can figure out that the whole pattern has trend as a triangle though it is not very close to the origin space factor.