

# Chapter 6 Arrays: Linear, ...

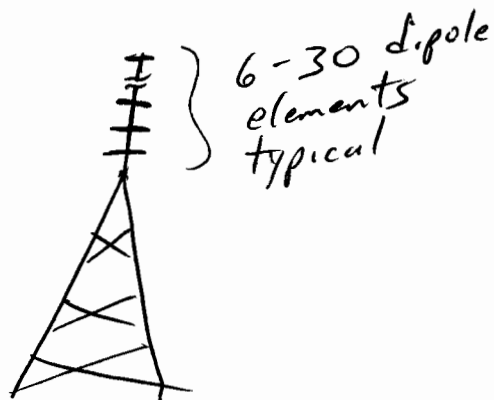
Intro

- Why?
- High directivity / gains
  - control radiation pattern
  - can change characteristics by changing elements (e.g., scan, track multiple targets, introduce nulls, ...)
  - More flexible than a dish, horn, or other high gain antenna

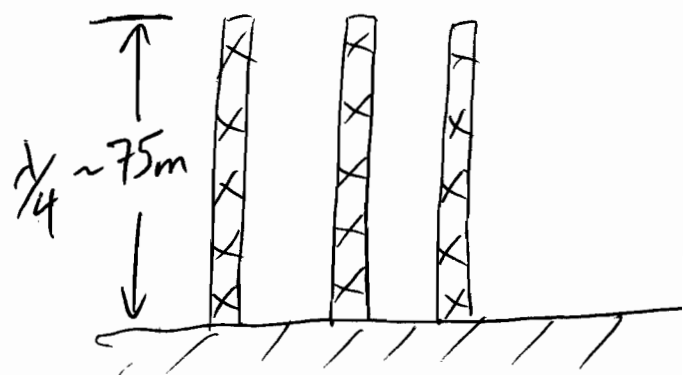
Forms: → individual elements can be whips / monopoles, dipoles, horns, dishes, ...

Examples of linear arrays:

Television & / or FM Radio



AM Radio ( $\lambda \approx 300\text{m}$ )



Monopole elements (usually 3-6)

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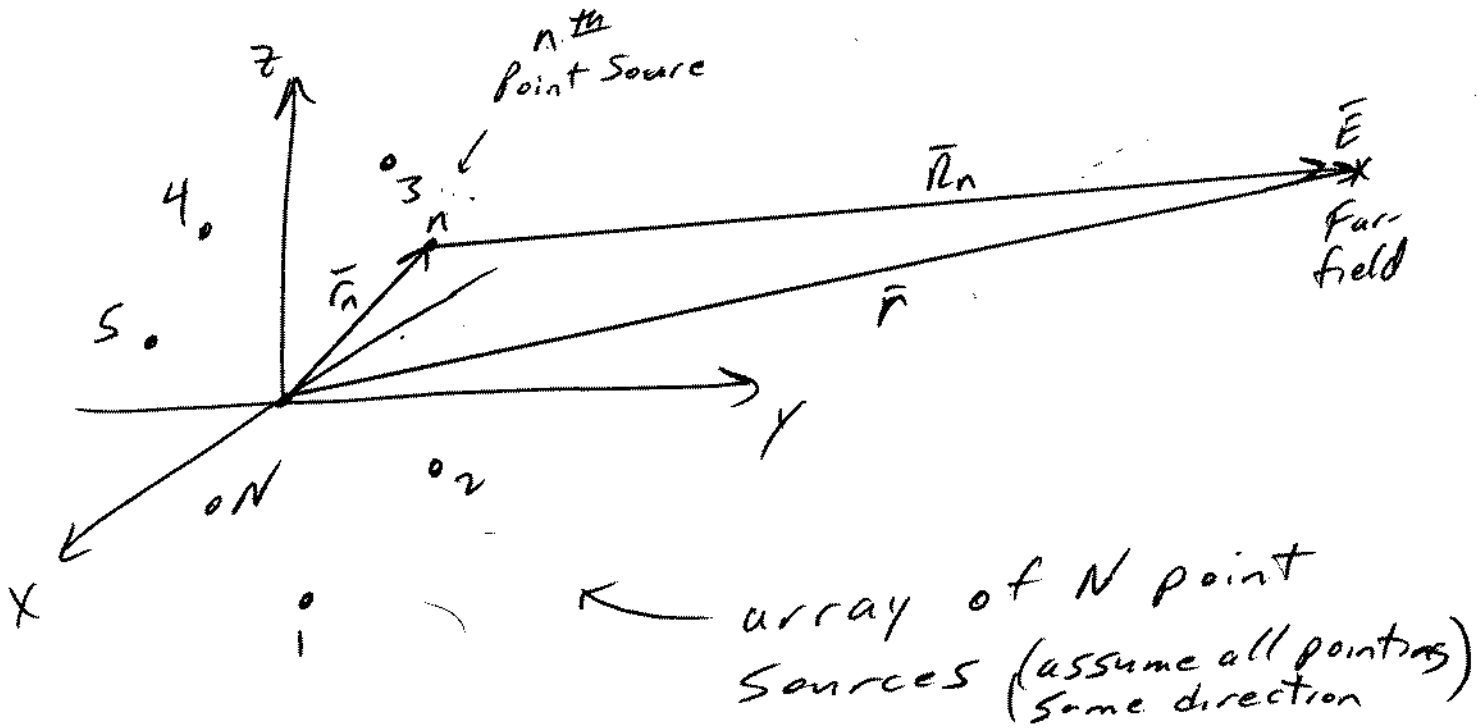
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- How?
- 1) physical configuration/layout  
(linear, circular, ... arrays)
  - 2) relative spacing between elements
  - 3) Magnitude of excitation for each element
  - 4) Relative phase for/between elements
  - 5) Radiation pattern of individual elements

\* Ideally, the individual fields add up vectorally in the far-field independent of one another. In reality, the array elements will interact to some extent. (mutual coupling)

Point Sources

$$E_{FF}(x, y, z) = \frac{j\omega\mu I}{4\pi r} e^{-jk r} \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{phasor} \\ \text{ignore polarization} \\ \text{for now} \end{array} \right)$$



Assuming no interaction between the point sources, the far-field  $\vec{E}$  is simply the superposition of the far-fields for each point source

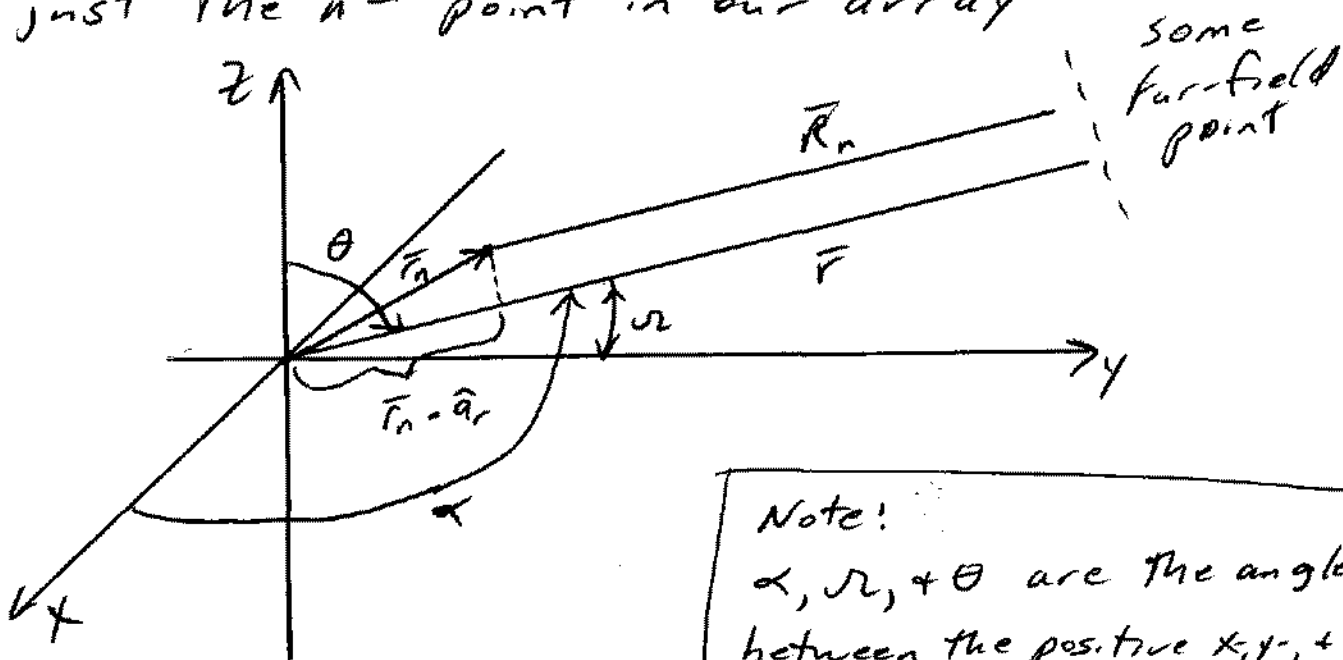
$$\vec{E} = \frac{j\omega\mu}{4\pi} \sum_{n=1}^N I_n \frac{e^{-jk R_n}}{R_n}$$

Note: Each point source in array can have a unique location  $(x_n, y_n, z_n)$ , amplitude  $|I_n|$  & phase  $\angle I_n$ . Therefore, the far-field  $\vec{E}$  is a function of  $5N$  variables

## Point Sources cont.

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In the far-field, we can make some approximations (similar to chap 4 & 5) to make our analysis easier. Looking at just the  $n^{\text{th}}$  point in our array



Note!

$\alpha, \beta, \text{ \& } \theta$  are the angles between the positive  $x, y, \text{ \& } z$ -axes and  $r$  (Polar Angles)

If we are in the far-field, we can assume the  $\vec{R}_n$  &  $\vec{r}$  are parallel.

Then,

$$R_n = r - (\vec{r}_n \cdot \hat{a}_r) \hat{a}_r \quad \leftarrow \text{projection of } \vec{r}_n \text{ onto } \hat{a}_r$$

$$= r - \left[ (\hat{a}_x x_n + \hat{a}_y y_n + \hat{a}_z z_n) \cdot \left( \frac{\hat{a}_x x + \hat{a}_y y + \hat{a}_z z}{r} \right) \right]$$

$$= r - \left( x_n \frac{x}{r} + y_n \frac{y}{r} + z_n \frac{z}{r} \right)$$

$$R_n = r - \left( x_n \cos \alpha + y_n \cos \beta + z_n \cos \theta \right)$$

## Point Sources cont.

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✓  $\cos \alpha$ ,  $\cos \alpha$ , &  $\cos \theta$  are known as the direction cosines of  $\vec{r}$

From vector algebra, we can express the direction cosines in terms of spherical coordinates:

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{x}{r} = \sin \theta \cos \phi$$

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{y}{r} = \sin \theta \sin \phi$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{z}{r} = \cos \theta$$

So, for phase, we will use this approx.

✓ for  $R_n$ . For amplitude (much less sensitive), we will use  $R_n \approx r$

Going back to the total field  $\vec{E}$ , we get

$$\vec{E} = \frac{j\omega\mu}{4\pi} \sum_{n=1}^N I_n \frac{e^{-jk(r - x_n \cos \alpha - y_n \cos \alpha - z_n \cos \theta)}}{r}$$

$$= \left[ \frac{j\omega\mu e^{-jkr}}{4\pi r} \right] \left[ \sum_{n=1}^N I_n e^{jk(x_n \cos \alpha + y_n \cos \alpha + z_n \cos \theta)} \right]$$

↑  
Element Pattern  
→ element type/pattern  
→ orientation  
→ polarization

↑  
Array Factor  
→ excitation info  
→ location info



## Point Sources cont.

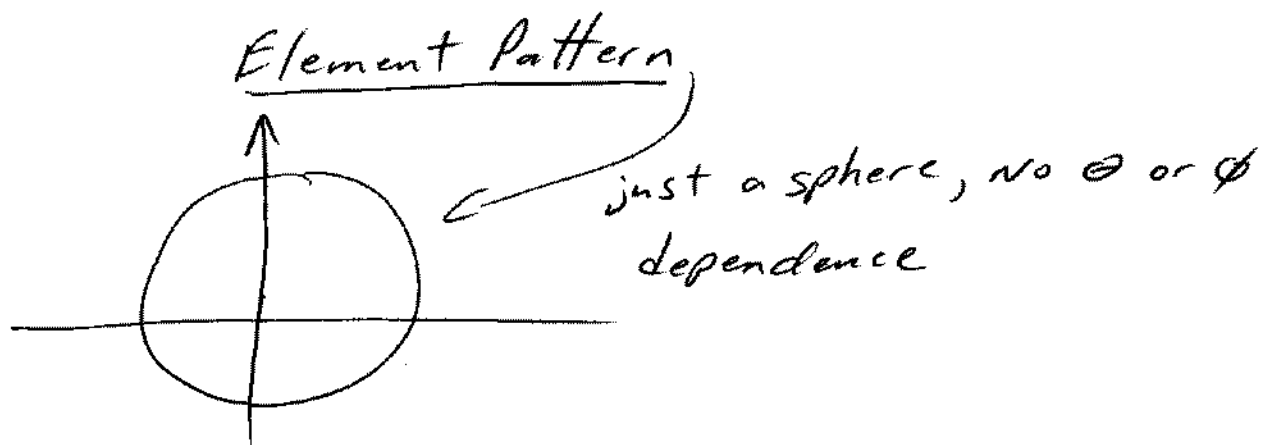
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Let's look at some examples for point source arrays located along the z-axis.

$$E = \left[ \frac{j\omega\mu}{4\pi r} e^{-jkr} \right] \left[ \sum_{n=1}^N I_n e^{jkz_n \cos\theta} \right]$$

$$E_{\text{norm}} = \frac{E}{\text{element pattern}} = \sum_{n=1}^N I_n e^{jkz_n \cos\theta}$$

Note: No  $\phi$  dependence!



## Linear Array of Point Sources Example (Fall 2003)

$$k := 0..359 \qquad \text{theta}_k := k \cdot \frac{\pi}{180}$$

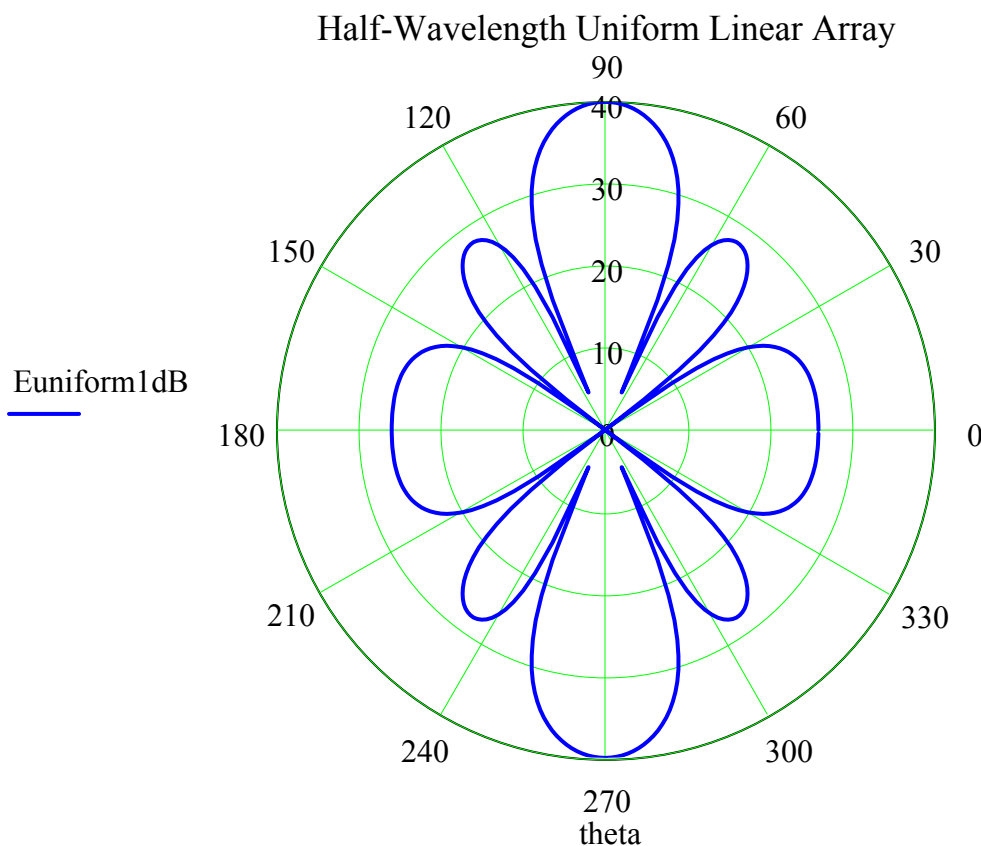
$$N := 5 \qquad n := 0..(N - 1) \qquad \text{5 point source elements in linear array}$$

$$kz1_n := 2 \cdot \pi \cdot n \cdot 0.5 \qquad \text{Elements spaced every half-wavelength starting at } z = 0$$

Uniform current distribution (same magnitude and phase)

$$I_{\text{uniform}_n} := 1 \qquad E_{\text{uniform}_k} := \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} I_{\text{uniform}_n} \cdot e^{j \cdot kz1_n \cdot \cos(\text{theta}_k)}$$

$$E_{\text{uniform}_k \text{ dB}} := \text{if} \left( \frac{|E_{\text{uniform}_k}|}{|E_{\text{uniform}_{90}}|} < 0.01, 0, 40 + 20 \cdot \log \left( \frac{|E_{\text{uniform}_k}|}{|E_{\text{uniform}_{90}}|} \right) \right)$$



Note: 3 dB beamwidth = 20.3 degrees, Maximum sidelobe level = -12 dB

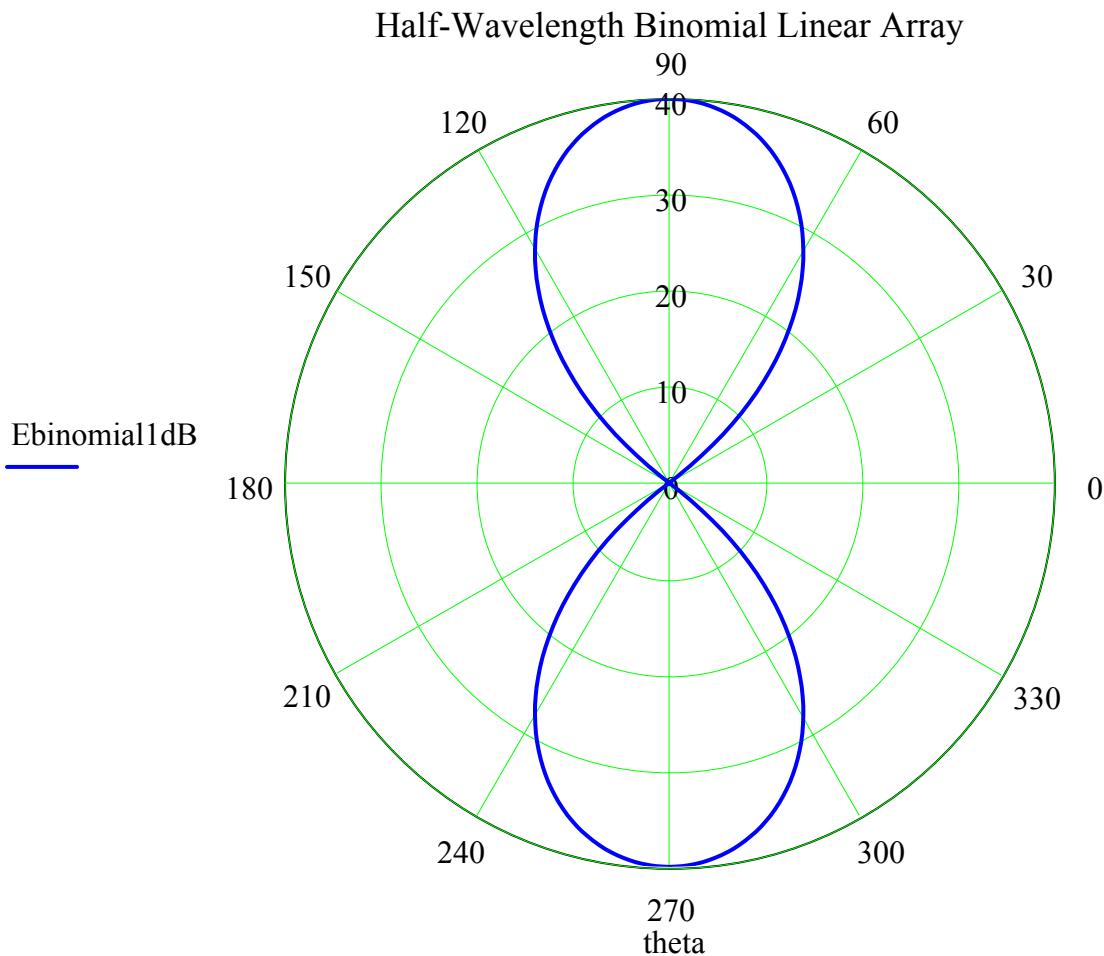


Binomial current distribution (different magnitudes but same phase)

$$I_{\text{binomial}_0} := 1 \quad I_{\text{binomial}_1} := 4 \quad I_{\text{binomial}_2} := 6 \quad I_{\text{binomial}_3} := 4 \quad I_{\text{binomial}_4} := 1$$

$$E_{\text{binomial}_k} := \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} I_{\text{binomial}_n} \cdot e^{j \cdot k z l_n \cdot \cos(\theta_k)}$$

$$E_{\text{binomial}_k \text{ dB}_k} := \text{if} \left( \frac{|E_{\text{binomial}_k}|}{|E_{\text{binomial}_{90}}|} < 0.01, 0, 40 + 20 \cdot \log \left( \frac{|E_{\text{binomial}_k}|}{|E_{\text{binomial}_{90}}|} \right) \right)$$



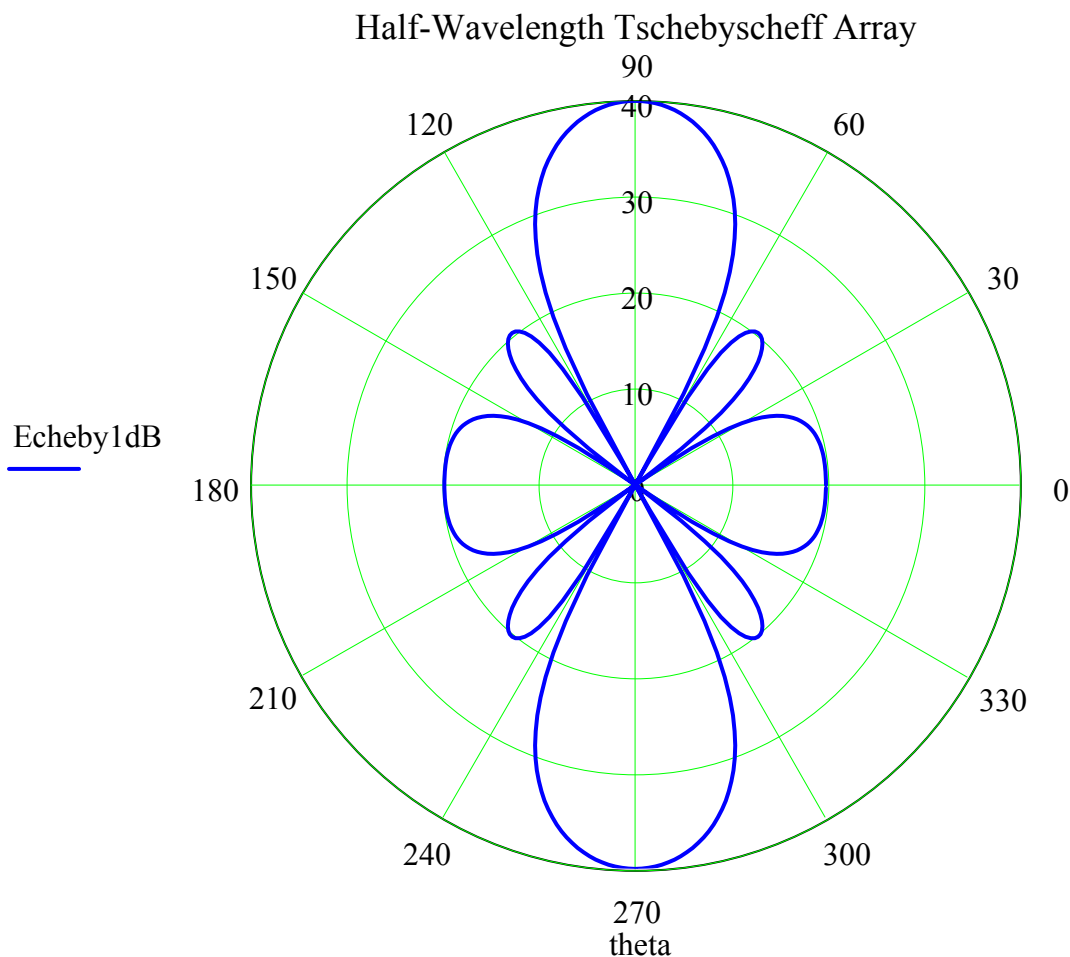
Note: 3 dB beamwidth = 30 degrees, Maximum sidelobe level = -infinity

Tschebyscheff current distribution (different magnitudes but same phase)

$$I_{cheby0} := 1 \quad I_{cheby1} := 1.6 \quad I_{cheby2} := 1.9 \quad I_{cheby3} := 1.6 \quad I_{cheby4} := 1$$

$$E_{cheby1k} := \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} I_{cheby_n} \cdot e^{j \cdot k z_{1n} \cdot \cos(\theta_k)}$$

$$E_{cheby1dB_k} := \text{if} \left( \frac{|E_{cheby1k}|}{|E_{cheby190}|} < 0.01, 0, 40 + 20 \cdot \log \left( \frac{|E_{cheby1k}|}{|E_{cheby190}|} \right) \right)$$



Note: 3 dB beamwidth = 23 degrees, Maximum sidelobe level = -19.7 dB

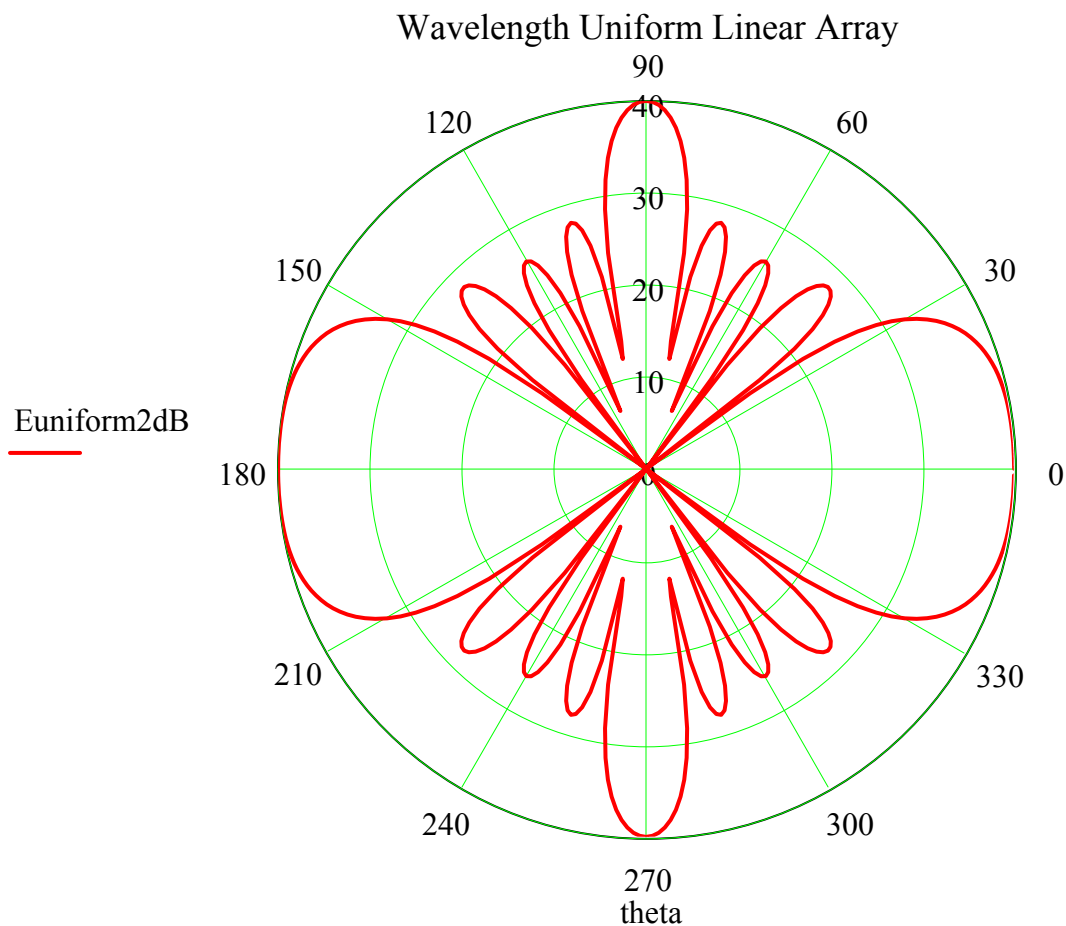
Elements spaced every wavelength starting at  $z = 0$

$$kz_{2n} := 2 \cdot \pi \cdot n \cdot 1.0$$

Uniform current distribution (same magnitude and phase)

$$E_{\text{uniform}2k} := \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} I_{\text{uniform}n} \cdot e^{j \cdot kz_{2n} \cdot \cos(\theta_k)}$$

$$E_{\text{uniform}2\text{dB}k} := \text{if} \left( \frac{|E_{\text{uniform}2k}|}{|E_{\text{uniform}2_0}|} < 0.01, 0, 40 + 20 \cdot \log \left( \frac{|E_{\text{uniform}2k}|}{|E_{\text{uniform}2_0}|} \right) \right)$$

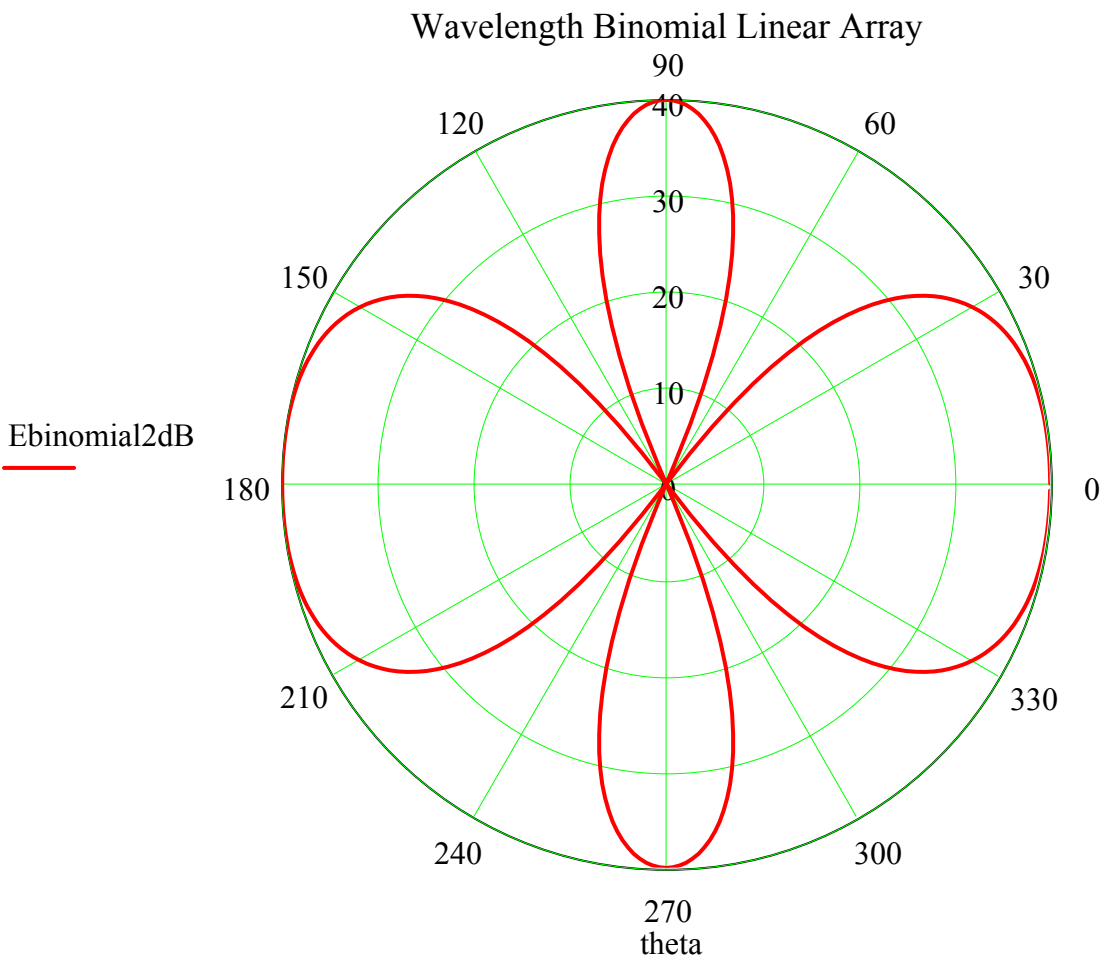


Note: 3 dB beamwidth = 49 degrees, Maximum sidelobe level = 0 dB ("Grating" Lobes)

Binomial current distribution (different magnitudes but same phase)

$$E_{\text{binomial}2_k} := \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} I_{\text{binomial}n} \cdot e^{j \cdot k z_{2n} \cdot \cos(\theta_k)}$$

$$E_{\text{binomial}2_{\text{dB}k}} := \text{if} \left( \frac{|E_{\text{binomial}2_k}|}{|E_{\text{binomial}2_0}|} < 0.01, 0, 40 + 20 \cdot \log \left( \frac{|E_{\text{binomial}2_k}|}{|E_{\text{binomial}2_0}|} \right) \right)$$

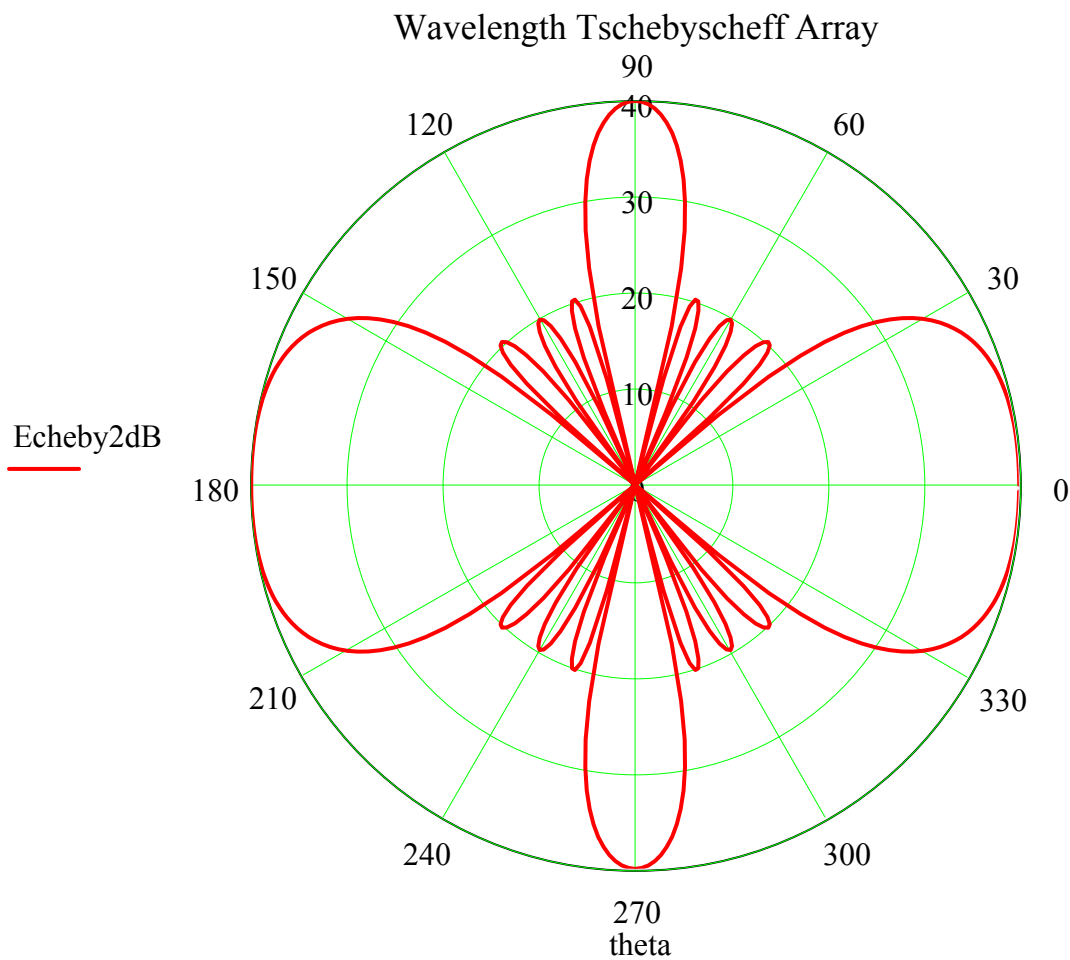


Note: 3 dB beamwidth = 59 degrees, Maximum sidelobe level = 0 dB ("Grating" Lobes)

Tschebyscheff current distribution (different magnitudes but same phase)

$$E_{cheby2k} := \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} I_{cheby_n} \cdot e^{j \cdot k z_{2n} \cdot \cos(\theta_k)}$$

$$E_{cheby2dB_k} := \text{if} \left( \frac{|E_{cheby2k}|}{|E_{cheby2_0}|} < 0.01, 0, 40 + 20 \cdot \log \left( \frac{|E_{cheby2k}|}{|E_{cheby2_0}|} \right) \right)$$

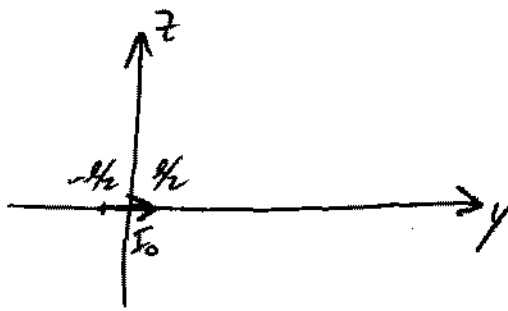


Note: 3 dB beamwidth = 52 degrees, Maximum sidelobe level = 0 dB ("Grating" Lobes)

## 6.2 Two-Element Array

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In infinitesimal dipole (pointing in  $y$ -direction)



$$\bar{I}_e = \hat{a}_y I_0 \quad \bar{r}' = y' \hat{a}_y$$

$$\bar{r} = r \hat{a}_r \quad |\bar{r} - \bar{r}'| \approx r$$

$$\bar{A} = \hat{a}_y \frac{\mu_0 I_0 l}{4\pi r} e^{-jk r}$$

$$\bar{A} = \frac{\mu_0 I_0 l}{4\pi r} e^{-jk r} \left[ \sin\theta \sin\phi \hat{a}_r + \cos\theta \sin\phi \hat{a}_\theta + \cos\phi \hat{a}_\phi \right]$$

In the far-field

$$\bar{E} = -j\omega A_\theta \hat{a}_\theta - j\omega A_\phi \hat{a}_\phi \quad (3-58a)$$

$$\bar{E} = -j\omega \frac{\mu_0 I_0 l}{4\pi r} e^{-jk r} \left[ \cos\theta \sin\phi \hat{a}_\theta + \cos\phi \hat{a}_\phi \right]$$

use  $\omega\mu_0 = k\eta$

$$\bar{E} = -j\eta \frac{k I_0 l}{4\pi r} e^{-jk r} \left[ \cos\theta \sin\phi \hat{a}_\theta + \cos\phi \hat{a}_\phi \right]$$


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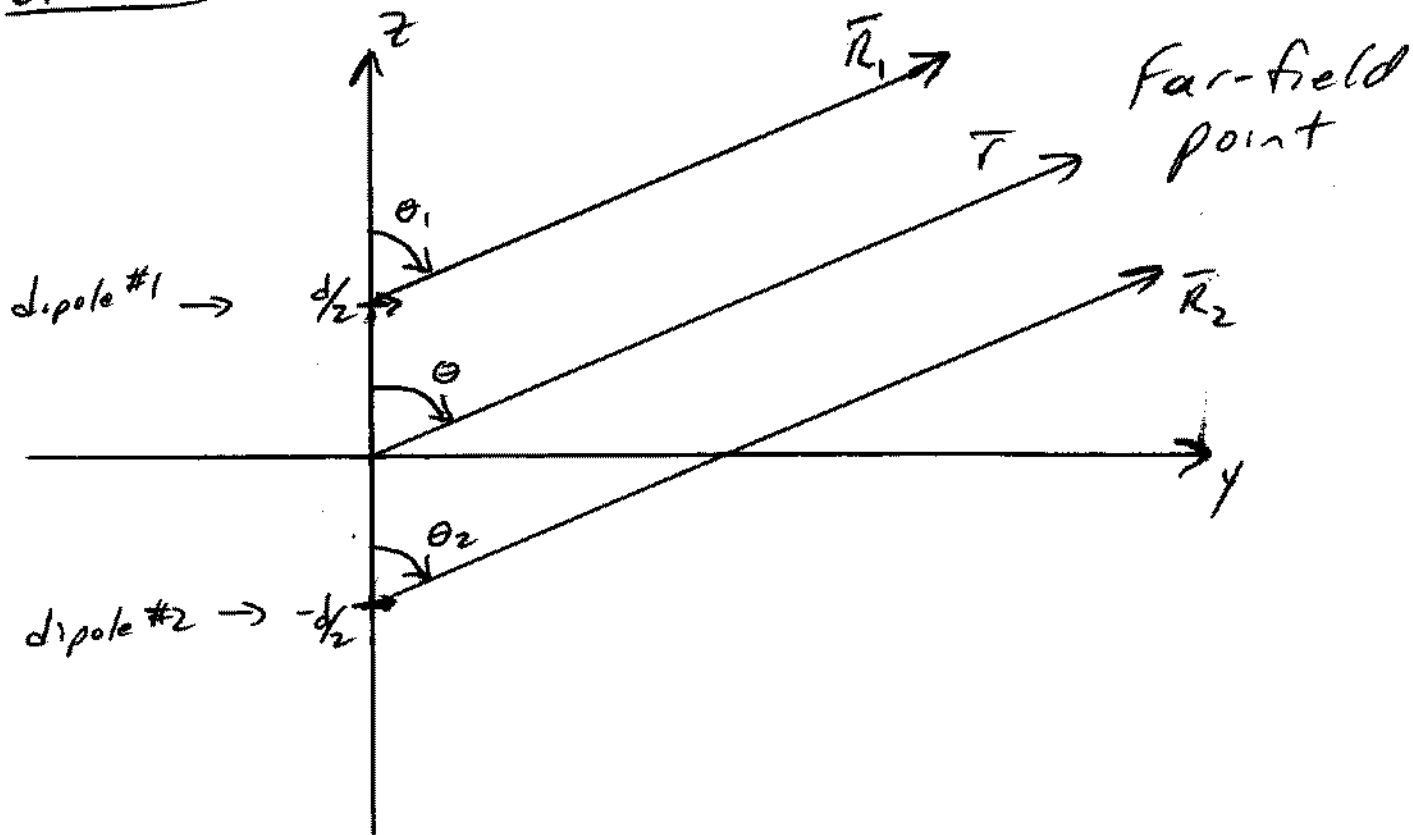
Now, let's build a 2-element array of infinitesimal dipoles in the  $y$ - $z$  plane placed along the  $z$ -axis at  $z = -d/2$  and  $d/2$ .

We'll let  $\bar{I}_1 = \hat{a}_y I_0 e^{+j\beta/2}$  and  $\bar{I}_2 = \hat{a}_y I_0 e^{-j\beta/2}$

(phase difference of  $\beta$  between the dipoles exciting current)

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→ Since elements are along z-axis,  $\cos \alpha = \cos \alpha' = 0$

$$\vec{E} = \left[ \left( -j\eta K l \right) \frac{e^{-jkr}}{4\pi r} \left[ \cos\theta \sin\phi \hat{a}_\theta + \cos\phi \hat{a}_\phi \right] \right] \left[ \begin{array}{l} I_0 e^{j\beta d/2} e^{jK d/2 \cos\theta} \\ + I_0 e^{-j\beta d/2} e^{-jK d/2 \cos\theta} \end{array} \right]$$

↑  
Element Factor

↑  
Array Factor

→ Considering only the plane  $\phi = \pi/2$  (positive half of y-z plane)

$$\vec{E} = \left[ \hat{a}_\theta \frac{-j\eta K I_0 l}{4\pi r} e^{-jkr} \cos\theta \right] \left[ e^{j\frac{1}{2}(Kd \cos\theta + \beta)} + e^{-j\frac{1}{2}(Kd \cos\theta + \beta)} \right]$$

↑  
Field of single element located @ origin

↑  
Array Factor (AF)

6.2 cont.

Use the identity that  $\cos A = \frac{e^{+jA} + e^{-jA}}{2}$

to get:

$$\underline{\underline{\vec{E} = \left[ \hat{a}_\theta \frac{-j\eta k I_0 l}{4\pi r} e^{-jkr} \cos\theta \right] \left[ 2 \cos\left(\frac{1}{2}(kd \cos\theta + \beta)\right) \right]}}$$

→ By controlling the spacing  $d$  and phase  $\beta$  between the elements, the array factor can be manipulated to give desired results.

One item of interest when designing arrays is where the nulls ( $|\vec{E}| = 0$ ) occur.

$$\frac{|\vec{E}|}{|\vec{E}|_{\max}} = \left| \cos\theta \right| \left| \cos\left[\frac{1}{2}(kd \cos\theta + \beta)\right] \right| = E_n \quad \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{normalized} \\ \text{electric} \\ \text{field} \\ \text{magnitude} \end{array}$$

To find nulls (located at  $\theta_n$ )

$$E_n = 0 = \left| \cos\theta_n \right| \left| \cos\left[\frac{1}{2}(kd \cos\theta_n + \beta)\right] \right|$$

From the  $\cos\theta_n$  term of the element factor

$$\cos\theta_n = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\theta_n = 90^\circ}}$$



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From the array factor

$$\cos \left[ \frac{1}{2} (k d \cos \theta_n + \beta) \right] = 0$$

when

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} (k d \cos \theta_n + \beta) &= \pm \frac{\pi}{2}, \pm \frac{3\pi}{2}, \dots \\ &= \pm \left( \frac{2n+1}{2} \right) \pi \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$k d \cos \theta_n + \beta = \pm (2n+1)\pi$$

$$\cos \theta_n = \frac{-\beta \pm (2n+1)\pi}{k d} = \frac{-\beta \pm (2n+1)\pi}{\left( \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda} \right)}$$

$$\theta_n = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi d} (-\beta \pm (2n+1)\pi) \right]$$

Be careful, depending on the spacing  $d$  and/or phasing  $\beta$ , the argument can be  $> 1$  or  $< -1$  which implies that there are no nulls

$d \geq \lambda/2$  in order to get a real null when  $n=0$

e.g.  $\beta=0$   
 $d = \lambda/4$

$$\theta_n = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi d} (\pm (2n+1)\pi) \right]$$

$$= \cos^{-1} \left[ 2 (\pm (2n+1)) \right] \rightarrow \underline{\underline{\text{No sol'n}}}$$

only null  $\theta_n = 90^\circ$  from element factor

6.2 cont.

ex.  $\beta = \pi/2$   $\theta_n = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi d} \left( -\pi/2 \pm (2n+1)\pi \right) \right]$   
 $d = \lambda/4$   
 $= \cos^{-1} \left[ 2 \left( -\frac{1}{2} \pm (2n+1) \right) \right]$   
 $= \cos^{-1} \left[ -1 \pm (4n+2) \right]$

$n=0$   $\theta = \cos^{-1} \left[ -1 \pm 2 \right] = \cos^{-1}(1)$  or  ~~$\cos^{-1}(-3)$~~  *not poss.*  
 $\theta = 0$

$n=1$   ~~$\theta_n = \cos^{-1} \left[ -1 \pm 6 \right]$~~  *Not possible*

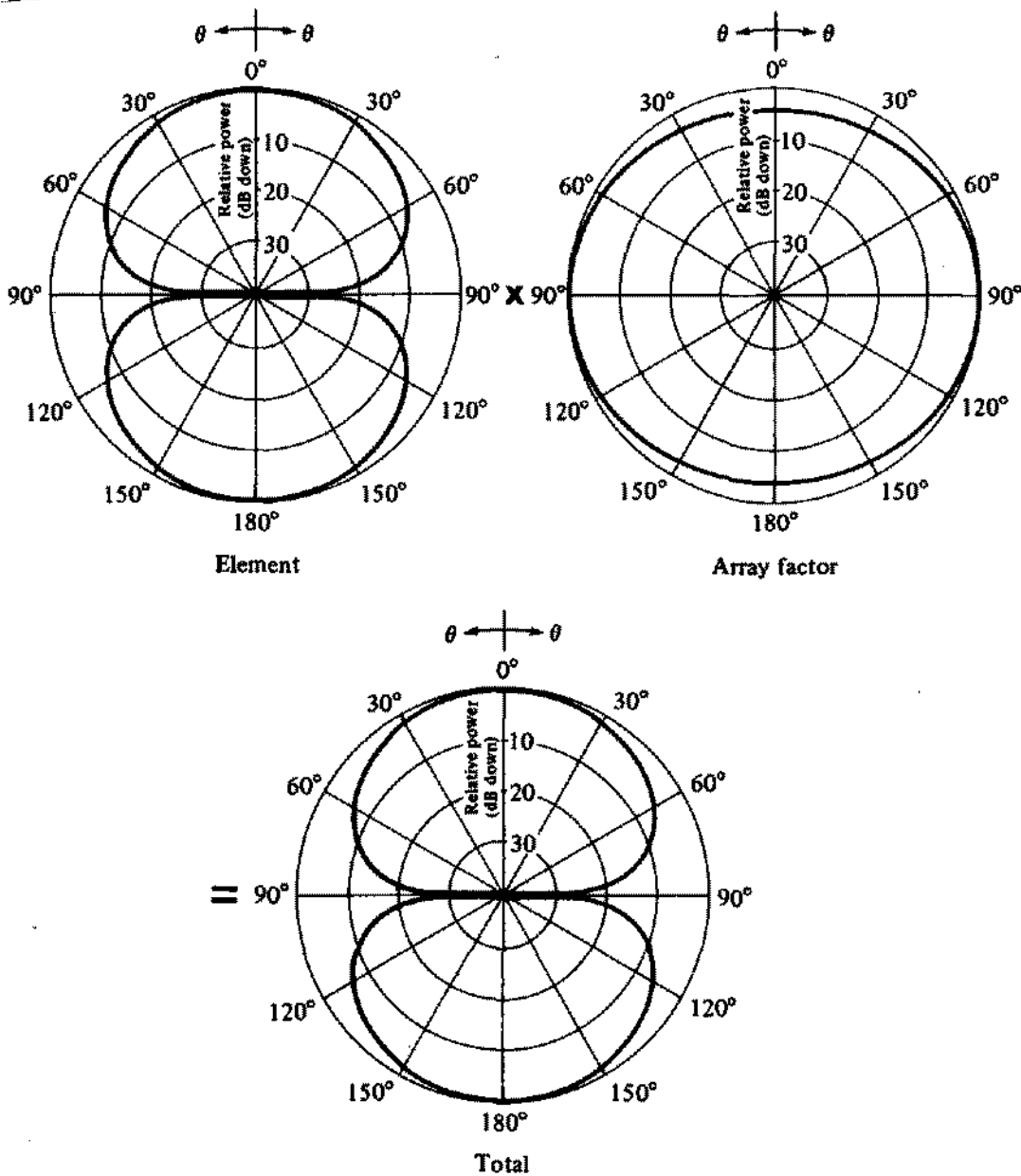
So  $\theta_n = 0^\circ$  and  $90^\circ$  *Array*  $\leftarrow$  element factor

ex.  $\beta = -\pi/2$   $\theta_n = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi d} \left( +\pi/2 \pm (2n+1)\pi \right) \right]$   
 $d = \lambda/4$   
 $= \cos^{-1} \left[ 2 \left( \frac{1}{2} \pm (2n+1) \right) \right]$   
 $= \cos^{-1} \left[ 1 \pm (4n+2) \right]$

$n=0$   $\theta_n = \cos^{-1} \left[ 1 \pm 2 \right] = \cos^{-1}(-1)$  or  ~~$\cos^{-1}(3)$~~  *not poss.*

$\theta_n = 180^\circ$

So  $\theta_n = 90^\circ$  and  $180^\circ$  *Element*  $\leftarrow$  *Array*



**Figure 6.3** Element, array factor, and total field patterns of a two-element array of infinitesimal horizontal dipoles with identical phase excitation ( $\beta = 0^\circ$ ,  $d = \lambda/4$ ). [Antennas Theory (2<sup>nd</sup> Edn) by Balanis, p. 255]

$\beta = 0$   
 $d = \lambda/4$

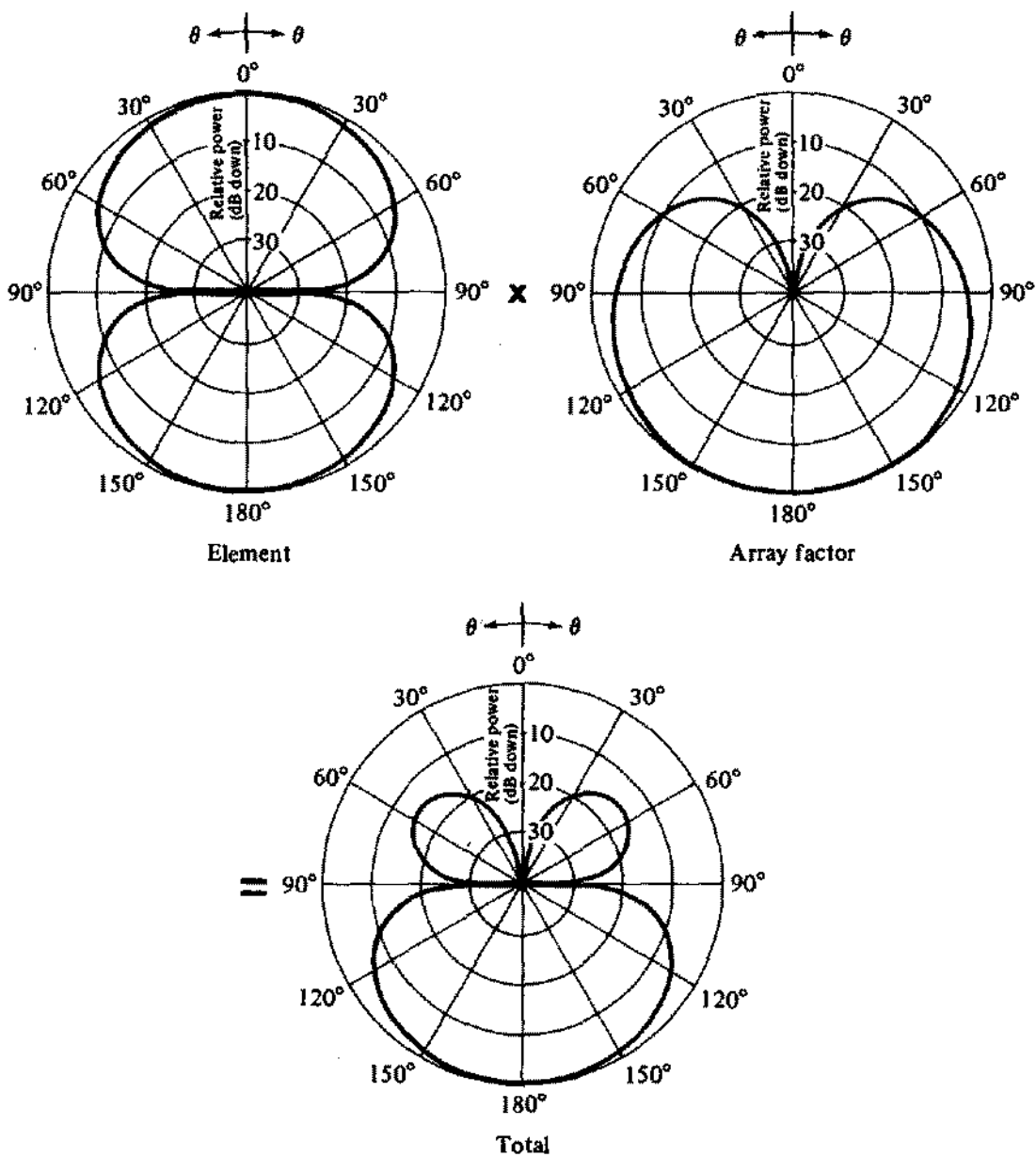


Figure 6.4 Pattern multiplication of element, array factor, and total array patterns of a two-element array of infinitesimal horizontal dipoles with (a)  $\beta = +90^\circ$ ,  $d = \lambda/4$ . [Antenna Theory (2<sup>nd</sup> Edn) by Balanis, p. 256]

$\beta = +90^\circ$   
 $d = \lambda/4$

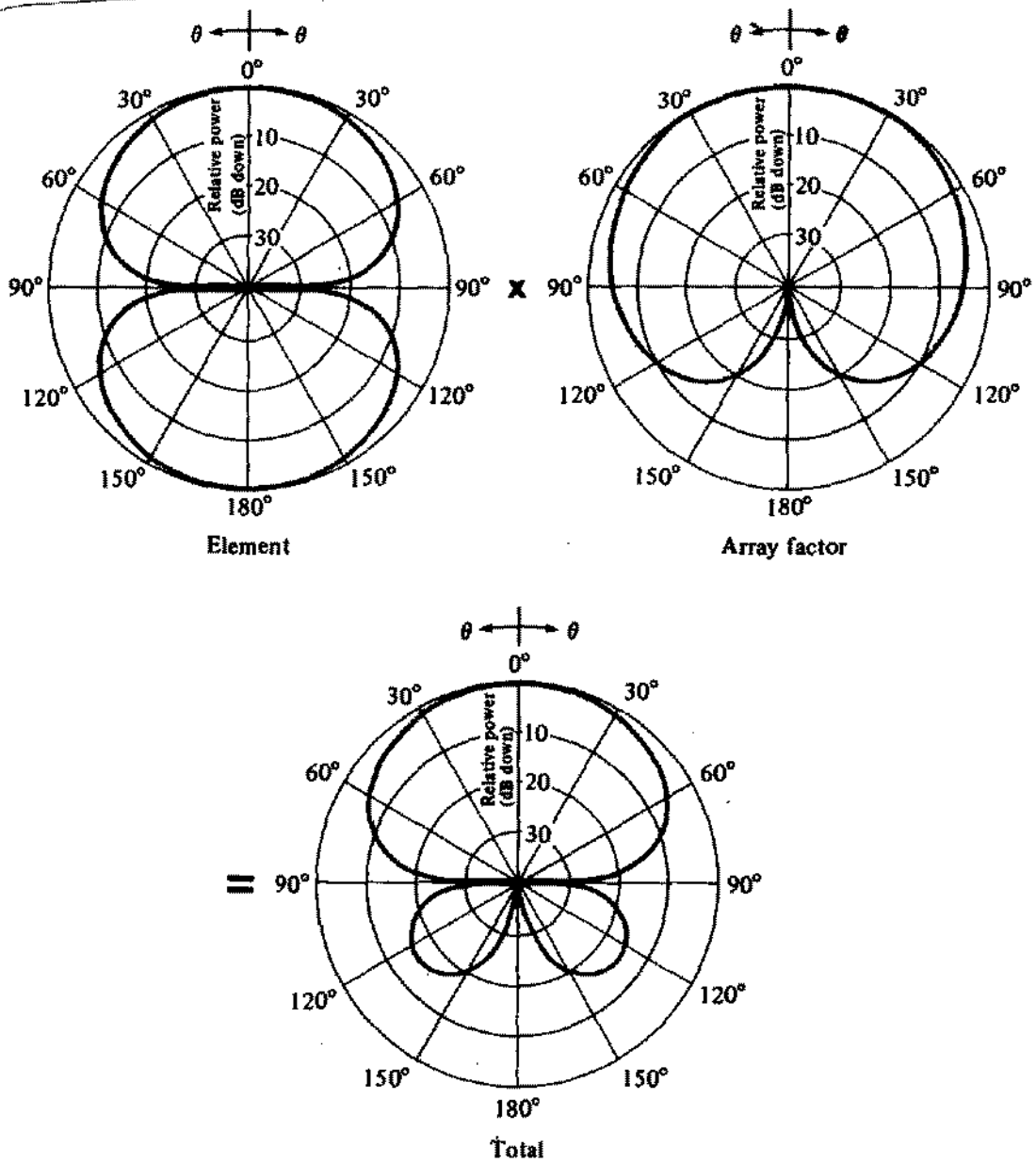


Figure 6.4 (b) Continued ( $\beta = -90^\circ, d = \lambda/4$ ).  
[Antenna Theory (2<sup>nd</sup> Edn) by Balanis, p.257]

$$\beta = -90^\circ$$

$$d = \lambda/4$$

### 6.3 N-Element Linear Array :

#### Uniform Amplitude and Spacing

#### Characteristics:

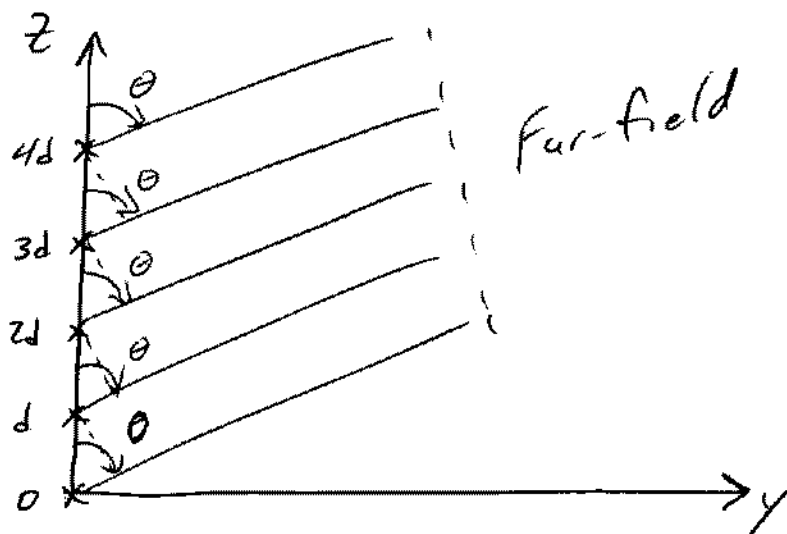
- located along z-axis
- uniform spacing  $z_n = (n-1)d$
- uniform excitation amplitude  $|I_n| = I_0$
- linearly progressive phase  $\angle I_n = (n-1)\beta$

$$AF = \sum_{n=1}^N I_0 e^{+j(n-1)\beta} e^{jK(n-1)d \cos \theta}$$

$$= I_0 \sum_{n=1}^N e^{j(n-1)(Kd \cos \theta + \beta)}$$

$$= I_0 \sum_{n=1}^N e^{j(n-1)\psi}$$

where we define  $\psi = Kd \cos \theta + \beta$



→ We can adjust/select  $N, d, \beta$  to achieve desired results.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} |AF|_{\max} = NI_0 \\ |AF|_{\min} = 0 \end{array} \right\} \text{Two extremes}$$

To get the angle where  $|AF|_n = NI_0$ , or to place the main beam of the array factor at a particular angle  $\theta_{MB}$ , set

$$\psi = kd \cos \theta_{MB} + \beta = 0$$

$$\beta = -kd \cos \theta_{MB}$$

$$\theta_{MB} = \cos^{-1} \left( -\frac{\beta}{kd} \right)$$

ex. For  $d = \lambda/4$  and  $\beta = 0$ , where is  $\theta_{MB}$ ?

$$\theta_{MB} = \cos^{-1}(0) = 90^\circ \text{ (Broadside)}$$

ex. If  $d = \lambda/2$ , what is  $\beta$  for  $\theta_{MB} = 60^\circ$ ?

$$\beta = -\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \left( \frac{\lambda}{2} \right) \cos 60^\circ = -\frac{\pi}{2} = \underline{\underline{-90^\circ}}$$

6.3 cont.

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Before proceeding, there is a more compact expression for this array factor

$$(AF) e^{j\psi} = I_0 e^{j\psi} \sum_{n=1}^N e^{j(n-1)\psi}$$

$$= I_0 \sum_{n=1}^N e^{jn\psi}$$

Now  $= I_0 (e^{j\psi} + e^{j2\psi} + \dots + e^{jN\psi})$

Next, subtract the original AF from both sides

$$(AF) e^{j\psi} - AF = I_0 (e^{j\psi} + e^{j2\psi} + \dots + e^{jN\psi}) - I_0 (1 + e^{j\psi} + e^{j2\psi} + \dots + e^{j(N-1)\psi})$$

$$AF (e^{j\psi} - 1) = I_0 (e^{jN\psi} - 1)$$

$$AF = I_0 \frac{e^{jN\psi} - 1}{e^{j\psi} - 1} = I_0 e^{j\left(\frac{N-1}{2}\right)\psi} \left[ \frac{\sin\left(\frac{N}{2}\psi\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{1}{2}\psi\right)} \right]$$



### 6.3 cont.

If we move our array center from

$z = \frac{N-1}{2} d$  to  $z = 0$  (Now 1<sup>st</sup> element

is at  $(-\frac{N-1}{2} d = z)$  or the array

goes from  $z = -(\frac{N-1}{2}) d$  to  $z = (\frac{N-1}{2}) d$   
(instead of  $z = 0$  to  $z = (N-1) d$ )

$$AF = I_0 \left[ \frac{\sin\left(\frac{N}{2}\psi\right)}{\sin\left(\psi/2\right)} \right]$$

as  $\psi \rightarrow 0$   $AF = N I_0$  (as expected)  
(use  $\sin(x) = x$  as  $x \rightarrow 0$ )

To normalize:

$$(AF)_n = \frac{AF}{N I_0} = \frac{1}{N} \left[ \frac{\sin\left(\frac{N}{2}\psi\right)}{\sin\left(\psi/2\right)} \right]$$

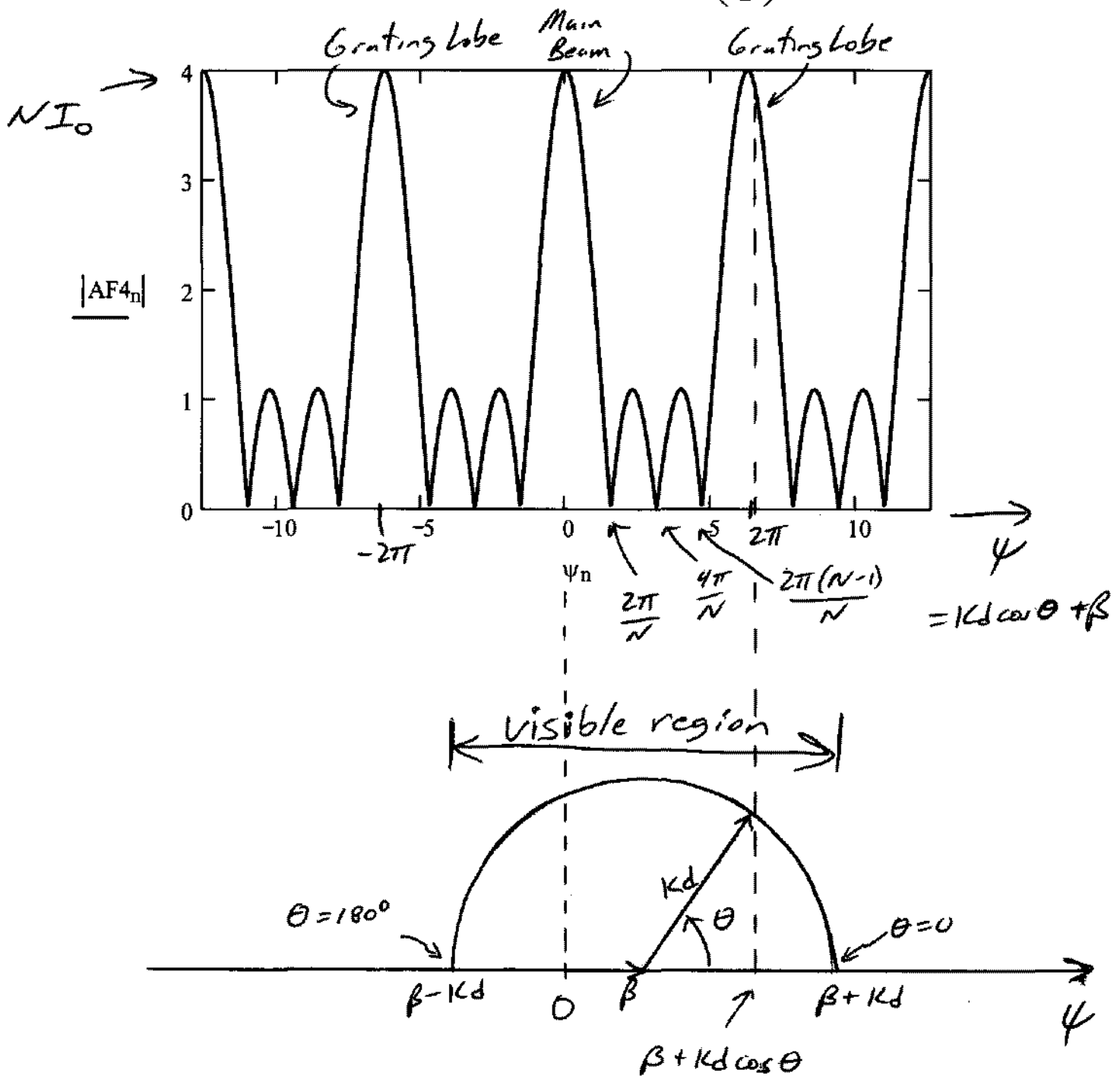
**Uniform Array Factor (AF) example**

$n := 0..900$        $\psi_n := (n - 450) \cdot \frac{\pi}{111} + 0.001$        $I_0 := 1$

**N=4 example**

$N := 4$

$$AF_{4n} := \frac{\sin\left(\frac{N}{2} \cdot \psi_n\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\psi_n}{2}\right)}$$



General Notes on Uniform Arrays

- 1)  $\beta$  controls location of Main Beam
- 2) Increasing  $N$  decreases beamwidth
- 3) Increasing  $d$  decreases beamwidth.  
However, eventually this will result in grating lobes.
- 4) Maximum value of uniform AF occurs when  $\psi = 0$
- 5) First nulls of uniform AF @  $\psi = \pm \frac{2\pi}{N}$   
Second nulls of uniform AF @  $\psi = \pm \frac{4\pi}{N}$   
⋮
- 6) Last nulls of uniform AF @  $\psi = \pm \left(2\pi - \frac{2\pi}{N}\right)$   
 $= \pm 2\pi \left(1 - \frac{1}{N}\right)$   
 $= \pm 2\pi \left(\frac{N-1}{N}\right)$
- 7) Uniform AF repeats @  $\pm 2\pi$  intervals  
in  $\psi$

6.3 cont.

Notes cont.

8) Maximum sidelobe level  $\sim 0.25$  (-12dB)

9)  $N-1$  nulls between MB peak ( $\psi=0$ )  
and first grating lobes ( $\psi = \pm 2\pi$ )

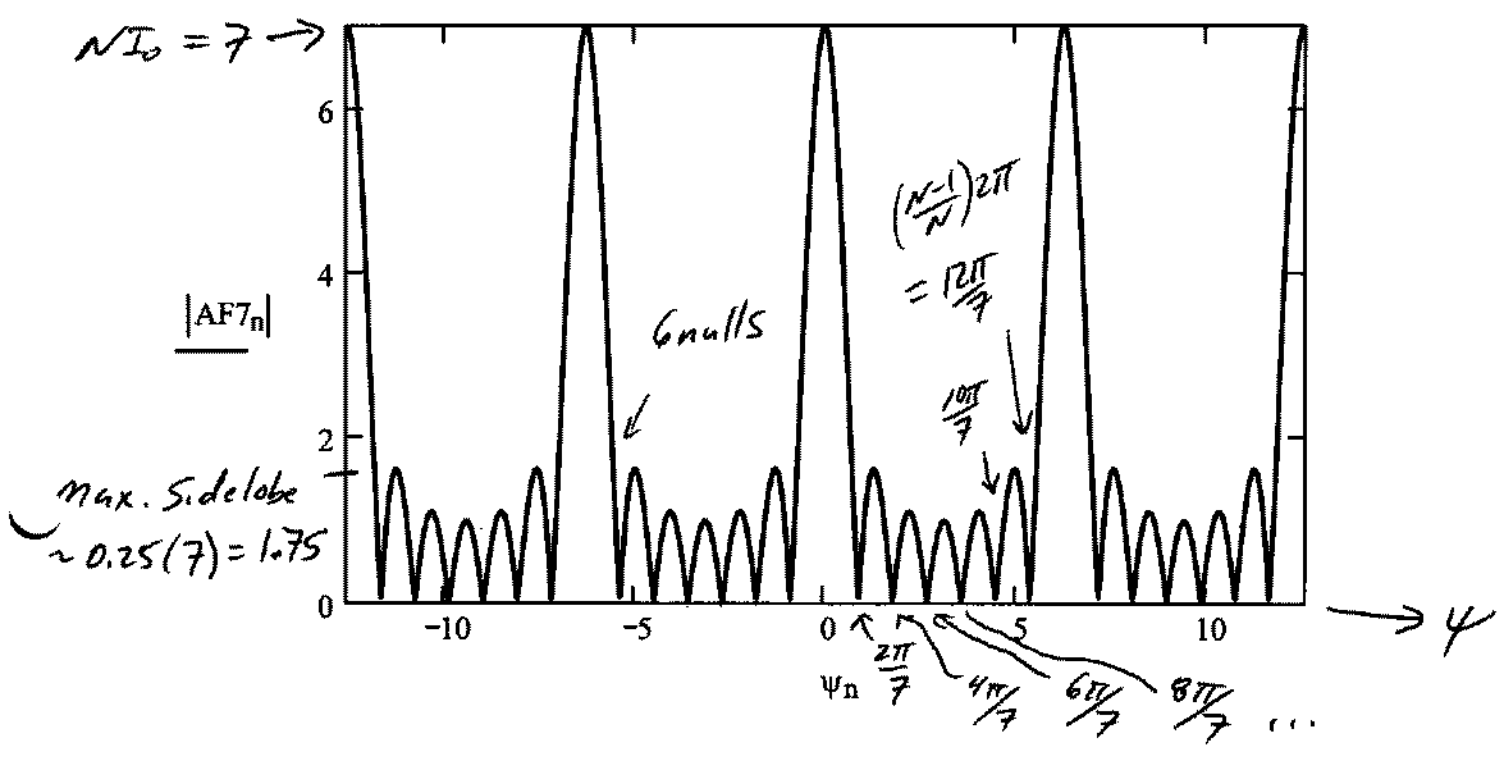
10)  $N-2$  sidelobes between MB peak  
and first grating lobe peak(s)

11) In terms of  $\psi$ , the MB is twice as  
wide as each sidelobe.

N=7 example

N := 7

$$AF_{7n} := \frac{\sin\left(\frac{N}{2} \cdot \psi_n\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\psi_n}{2}\right)}$$



→ Main Beam narrower than N=4 case

→ # nulls = 6 = N-1 = 7-1

→ # sidelobes = 5 = N-2 = 7-2

Let's find the angle(s)  $\theta_n$  where the AF has nulls. From  $\sin\left(\frac{N}{2}\psi_n\right) = 0$ ;  $\frac{N}{2}\psi_n = \pm n\pi$

$$\psi_n = \pm \frac{n 2\pi}{N} = kd \cos \theta_n + \beta \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\hookrightarrow \theta_n = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi d} \left( -\beta \pm n \frac{2\pi}{N} \right) \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \\ n \neq N, 2N, \dots \end{array}$$

At what angle(s)  $\theta_m$  does the AF have maxima? From the  $\sin\left(\frac{N}{2}\psi\right)$  term of the AF:

$$\begin{array}{l} \psi_m = \pm 2m\pi \quad \text{OR} \\ \frac{N}{2}\psi_m = \frac{N}{2}(kd \cos \theta_m + \beta) = \pm m\pi \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} m = 0 \text{ Main Beam} \\ m = 1, 2, 3, \dots \\ \text{Grating Lobes} \end{array}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \theta_m = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi d} \left( -\beta \pm 2m\pi \right) \right] \quad m = 0, 1, \dots$$

What about half-power or 3dB angles  $\theta_h$  of AF?

$$\frac{N}{2}\psi_h = \frac{N}{2}(kd \cos \theta_h + \beta) = \pm 1.391$$

$$\hookrightarrow \theta_h = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi d} \left( -\beta \pm \frac{2.782}{N} \right) \right] \quad \swarrow \text{for Main Beam}$$

6.3 cont.

$$HPBW = 2 |\theta_{ms} - \theta_n| \quad (\text{assume symmetrical pattern})$$

half-power beamwidth of AF

ex. For  $N=4$ ,  $d = \lambda/3$ , and  $\beta = \pi/2$

$$\theta_n = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi(\lambda/3)} \left( -\frac{\pi}{2} \pm n \frac{2\pi}{4} \right) \right]$$

$$= \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{3}{2} \left( -\frac{1}{2} \pm n \frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$$

$n=1, 2, 3, \dots$   
 $\neq 4, 8, \dots$

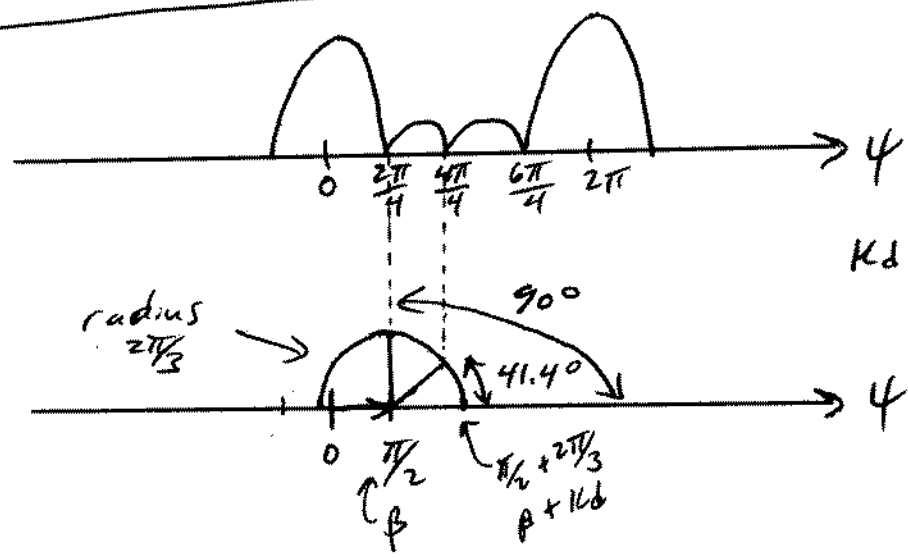
$n=1 \quad \theta_n = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{3}{2} \left( -\frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] = \cos^{-1}(0) \text{ or } \cos^{-1}(-3/2)$   
 $\rightarrow 90^\circ$  ~~not possible~~

$n=2 \quad \theta_n = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{3}{2} \left( -\frac{1}{2} \pm 1 \right) \right] = \cos^{-1}(3/4) \text{ or } \cos^{-1}(-9/4)$   
 $\rightarrow 41.4^\circ$  ~~not possible~~

$n=3 \quad \theta_n = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{3}{2} \left( -\frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{3}{2} \right) \right]$  not possible

$\theta_n = 41.4^\circ$  and  $90^\circ$

Graphically



$kd = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \frac{\lambda}{3} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$

6.3 cont.

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ex. cont.

$$\theta_m = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi (d/3)} \left( -\frac{\pi}{2} \pm 2m\pi \right) \right] \quad m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$
$$= \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{3}{2} \left( -\frac{1}{2} \pm 2m \right) \right]$$

Main Beam  
( $m=0$ )

$$\theta_m = \cos^{-1} \left( -\frac{3}{4} \right) = 138.59^\circ$$

↙ agrees w/ graphical method

$m=1$

$$\theta_m = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{3}{2} \left( -\frac{1}{2} \pm 2 \right) \right] \text{ Not possible}$$

$$\theta_h = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi (d/3)} \left( -\frac{\pi}{2} \pm \frac{2.782}{4} \right) \right]$$
$$= \cos^{-1} (-0.417923211) \text{ or } \cos^{-1} (-1.082)$$

$$\theta_h = 114.7035^\circ$$

$$\text{HPBW} = 2 \left| 138.59 - 114.7035^\circ \right|$$

$$\text{HPBW} = 47.774^\circ$$



## 6.3 cont.

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For any uniform amplitude + spacing  
Summary Array w/ linearly progressive phase

Main Beam:  $\Psi_{mB} = Kd \cos \theta_{mB} + \beta = 0$

$$\beta = -Kd \cos \theta_{mB}$$

$$\theta_{mB} = \cos^{-1} \left( -\frac{\beta}{Kd} \right)$$

Nulls:  $\Psi_n = Kd \cos \theta_n + \beta = \pm \frac{n 2\pi}{N}$   $n = 1, 2, \dots$   
 $n \neq N, 2N, \dots$

$$\theta_n = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi d} \left( -\beta \pm \frac{n 2\pi}{N} \right) \right]$$

Maxima:  $\frac{1}{2} \Psi_m = \frac{1}{2} (Kd \cos \theta_m + \beta) = \pm m\pi$

$$\theta_m = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi d} \left( -\beta \pm 2m\pi \right) \right]$$

$m = 0$  Main Beam  
 $m = 1, 2, \dots$  Grating Lobes

half-power:  
points  
of

$$\frac{N \Psi_h}{2} = \frac{N}{2} (Kd \cos \theta_h + \beta) = \pm 1.391$$

Main Beam

$$\theta_h = \cos^{-1} \left[ \frac{\lambda}{2\pi d} \left( -\beta \pm \frac{2.782}{N} \right) \right]$$

Half-power  
Beam Width

$$HPBW = 2 |\theta_{mB} - \theta_h|$$

$\leftarrow$  assumes pattern symmetrical

\* Always check to ensure argument of  $\cos^{-1} [ ]$  is between -1 and +1

# 6.3.1 Broadside Array

→ Radiation @  $\theta = 90^\circ$  (normal to axis of array) often desirable (e.g. TV & FM arrays)

→ Best if both element factor and array factor have maxima @  $90^\circ$  (e.g.  $\frac{1}{2}$  dipole,  $\frac{1}{4}$  monopole, small loops)

Main beam occurs when  $\psi = 0$

So  $\psi = 0 = kd \cos 90^\circ + \beta \Rightarrow \boxed{\beta = 0}$

⇒ Want NO progressive phase shift

To avoid grating lobes:

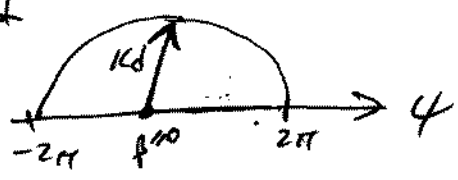
$|\psi| < 2\pi$

$\psi < 2\pi = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} d \quad (1)$

↑ need a good enough margin to well down the "shoulder" of the grating lobe(s).

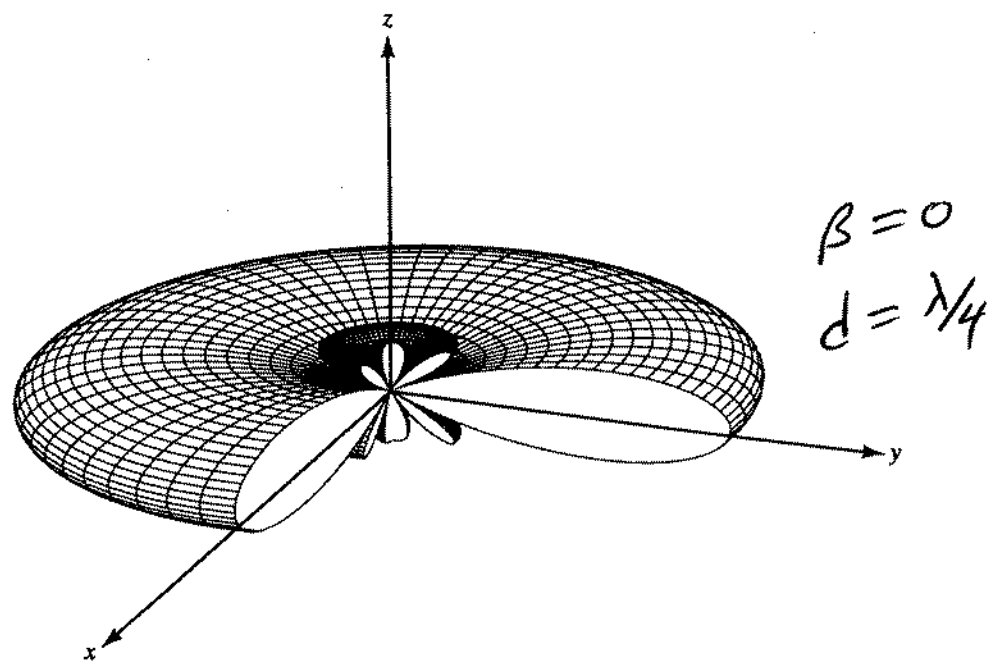
$\boxed{d < \lambda}$

OR from graphical method

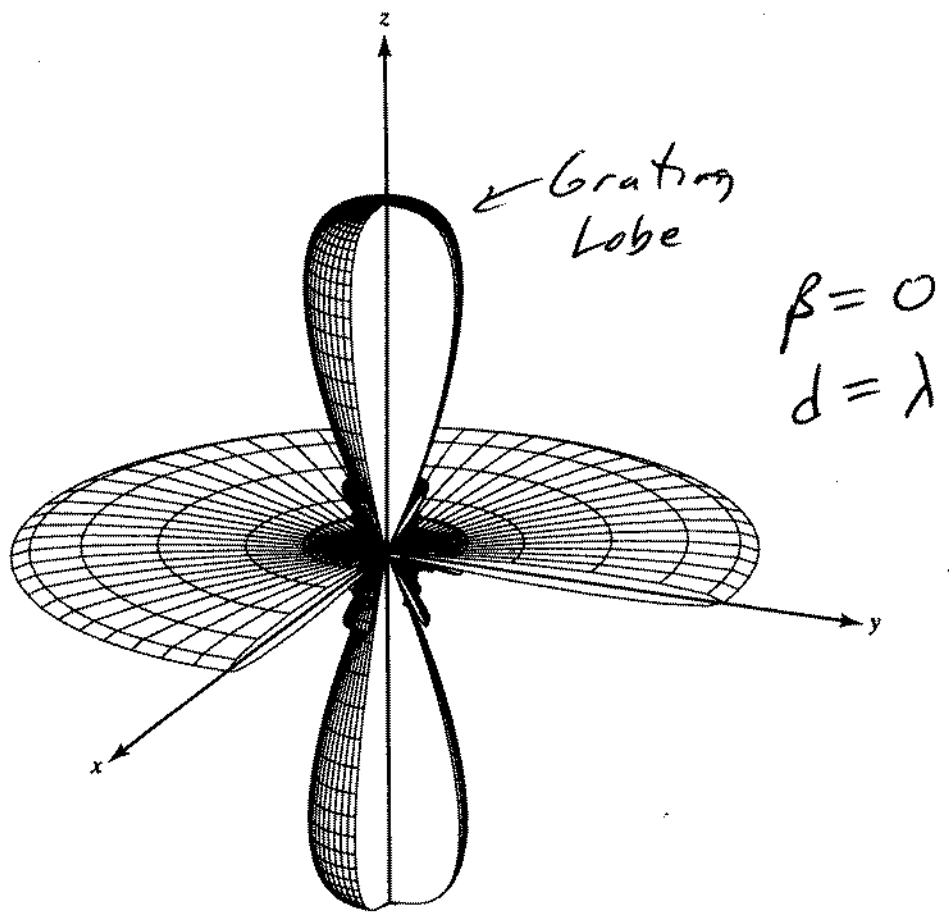


$\beta + kd < 2\pi$

⇒  $\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} d < 2\pi \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{d < \lambda}}$



(a) Broadside



(b) Broadside/end-fire

Figure 6.6 Three-dimensional amplitude patterns for broadside, and broadside/end-fire arrays. [Antenna Theory (2nd Edn) by Balanis, p 263]

**Table 6.1** NULLS, MAXIMA, HALF-POWER POINTS, AND MINOR LOBE MAXIMA FOR UNIFORM AMPLITUDE BROADSIDE ARRAYS ( $\theta_{ms} = 90^\circ, \beta = 0$ )

NULLS	$\theta_n = \cos^{-1} \left( \pm \frac{n \lambda}{N d} \right)$ $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ $n \neq N, 2N, 3N, \dots$
MAXIMA	$\theta_m = \cos^{-1} \left( \pm \frac{m \lambda}{d} \right)$ $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$
HALF-POWER POINTS	$\theta_h \approx \cos^{-1} \left( \pm \frac{1.391 \lambda}{\pi N d} \right)$ $\pi d / \lambda \ll 1$
MINOR LOBE MAXIMA	$\theta_s \approx \cos^{-1} \left[ \pm \frac{\lambda (2s + 1)}{2d N} \right]$ $s = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ $\pi d / \lambda \ll 1$

[Balanis,  
p. 265]

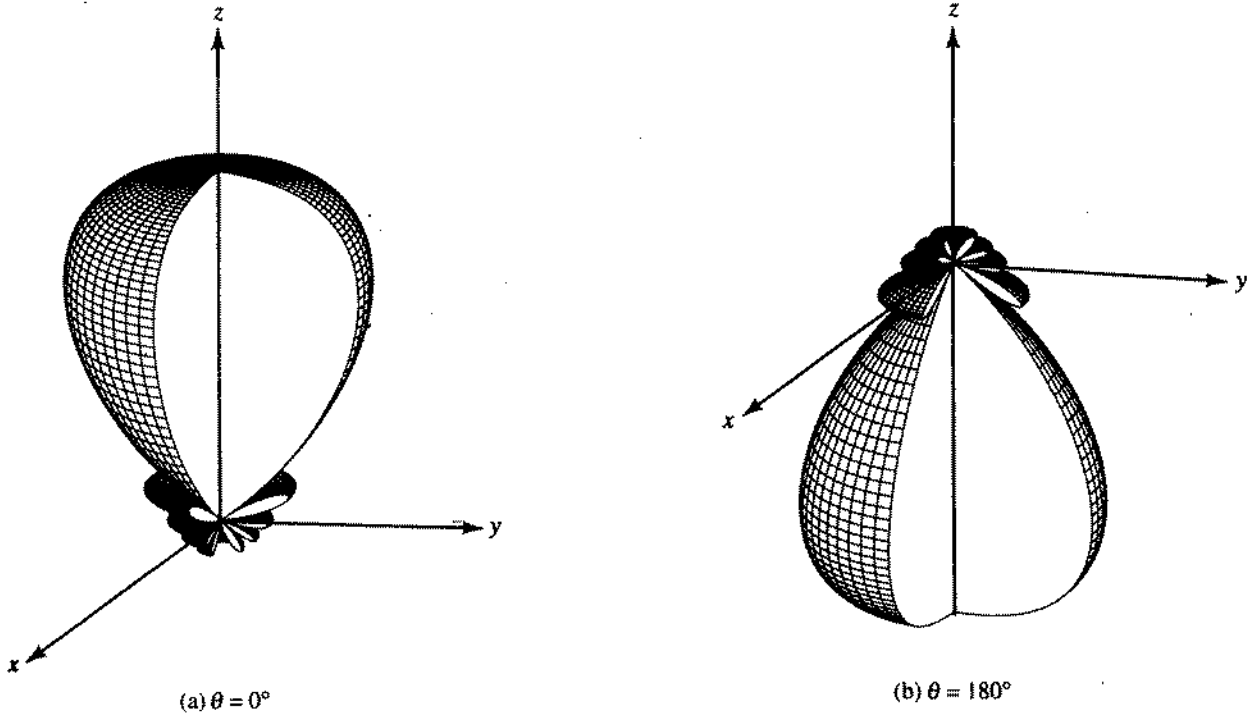
**Table 6.2** BEAMWIDTHS FOR UNIFORM AMPLITUDE BROADSIDE ARRAYS

FIRST NULL BEAMWIDTH (FNBW)	$\Theta_n = 2 \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} - \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{\lambda}{N d} \right) \right]$
HALF-POWER BEAMWIDTH (HPBW)	$\Theta_h \approx 2 \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} - \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{1.391 \lambda}{\pi N d} \right) \right]$ $\pi d / \lambda \ll 1$
FIRST SIDE LOBE BEAMWIDTH (FSLBW)	$\Theta_s \approx 2 \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} - \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{3 \lambda}{2 d N} \right) \right]$ $\pi d / \lambda \ll 1$

[Balanis,  
p. 265]

### 6.3.2 Ordinary End-Fire Array

→ Radiate Main Beam @  $\theta = 0^\circ$  or  $180^\circ$



**Figure 6.8** Three-dimensional amplitude patterns for end-fire arrays toward  $\theta = 0^\circ$  and  $180^\circ$ . [Antenna Theory (2<sup>nd</sup> Edn) by Balanis, p. 266]

To get Main Beam at  $\theta = 0^\circ$

$$\psi = kd \underset{\rightarrow 1}{\cos 0^\circ} + \beta = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\boxed{\begin{matrix} \beta = -kd \\ \theta_{MB} = 0^\circ \end{matrix}}$$

To get Main Beam at  $\theta = 180^\circ$

$$\psi = kd \underset{\rightarrow -1}{\cos 180^\circ} + \beta = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\boxed{\begin{matrix} \beta = +kd \\ \theta_{MB} = 180^\circ \end{matrix}}$$

Again to avoid grating lobes

→ actually need some margin to get well down "shoulder" of grating lobes.

$$\boxed{d < \lambda}$$

Valid for  $\Theta_{MB} = 0$  ( $\beta = -kd$ )

**Table 6.3** NULLS, MAXIMA, HALF-POWER POINTS, AND MINOR LOBE MAXIMA FOR UNIFORM AMPLITUDE ORDINARY END-FIRE ARRAYS

NULLS	$\theta_n = \cos^{-1} \left( 1 - \frac{n\lambda}{Nd} \right)$ $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ $n \neq N, 2N, 3N, \dots$
MAXIMA	$\theta_m = \cos^{-1} \left( 1 - \frac{m\lambda}{d} \right)$ $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$
HALF-POWER POINTS	$\theta_h = \cos^{-1} \left( 1 - \frac{1.391\lambda}{\pi d N} \right)$ $\pi d / \lambda \ll 1$
MINOR LOBE MAXIMA	$\theta_s = \cos^{-1} \left[ 1 - \frac{(2s+1)\lambda}{2Nd} \right]$ $s = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ $\pi d / \lambda \ll 1$

[Balanis,  
p. 268]

**Table 6.4** BEAMWIDTHS FOR UNIFORM AMPLITUDE ORDINARY END-FIRE ARRAYS

FIRST NULL BEAMWIDTH (FNBW)	$\Theta_n = 2 \cos^{-1} \left( 1 - \frac{\lambda}{Nd} \right)$
HALF-POWER BEAMWIDTH (HPBW)	$\Theta_h = 2 \cos^{-1} \left( 1 - \frac{1.391\lambda}{\pi d N} \right)$ $\pi d / \lambda \ll 1$
FIRST SIDE LOBE BEAMWIDTH (FSLBW)	$\Theta_s = 2 \cos^{-1} \left( 1 - \frac{3\lambda}{2Nd} \right)$ $\pi d / \lambda \ll 1$

[Balanis,  
p. 268]

Nulls, Maxima, Half-power points,

for Uniform Amplitude Ordinary End-Fire

Array ( $\theta_{MB} = \pi = 180^\circ$  &  $\beta = +kd$ )

$$\text{Nulls } \theta_n = \cos^{-1}\left(-1 + \frac{\lambda n}{dN}\right) \quad \begin{array}{l} n=1, 2, \dots \\ n \neq N, 2N, 3N, \dots \end{array}$$

$$\text{Maxima } \theta_m = \cos^{-1}\left(-1 + \frac{m\lambda}{d}\right) \quad \begin{array}{l} m=0 \text{ MB} \\ m=1, 2, \dots \text{ Grating Lobes} \end{array}$$

$$\text{Half-power Points } \theta_h \approx \cos^{-1}\left(-1 + \frac{1.39\lambda}{\pi dN}\right) \quad \frac{\pi d}{\lambda} \ll 1$$

$$\text{Minor Lobe Maxima } \theta_s \approx \cos^{-1}\left[-1 + \frac{(2s+1)\lambda}{2Nd}\right] \quad \begin{array}{l} s=1, 2, \dots \\ \frac{\pi d}{\lambda} \ll 1 \end{array}$$

$$\text{First Null Beamwidth (FNBW)} \quad \theta_n = 2 \left| \pi - \cos^{-1}\left(-1 + \frac{\lambda}{dN}\right) \right|$$

$$\text{Half-power Beamwidth (HPBW)} \quad \theta_h \approx 2 \left| \pi - \cos^{-1}\left(-1 + \frac{1.39\lambda}{\pi dN}\right) \right| \quad \frac{\pi d}{\lambda} \ll 1$$

First Sidelobe

$$\text{Beamwidth (FSLBW)} \quad \theta_s \approx 2 \left| \pi - \cos^{-1}\left(-1 + \frac{3\lambda}{2Nd}\right) \right| \quad \frac{\pi d}{\lambda} \ll 1$$

### 6.3.3 Phased or Scanning Array

→ Be able to move Main Beam from  $0^\circ$  to  $180^\circ$  and anywhere in between

To get a particular angle (w/ a uniform array):

$$\psi = kd \cos \theta_{MB} + \beta = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\beta = -kd \cos \theta_{MB}}$$

→ So, we need to be able to control the progressive phase shift  $\beta$  to scan the main beam → ferrite or diode phase shifters

→ The half-power beam width is

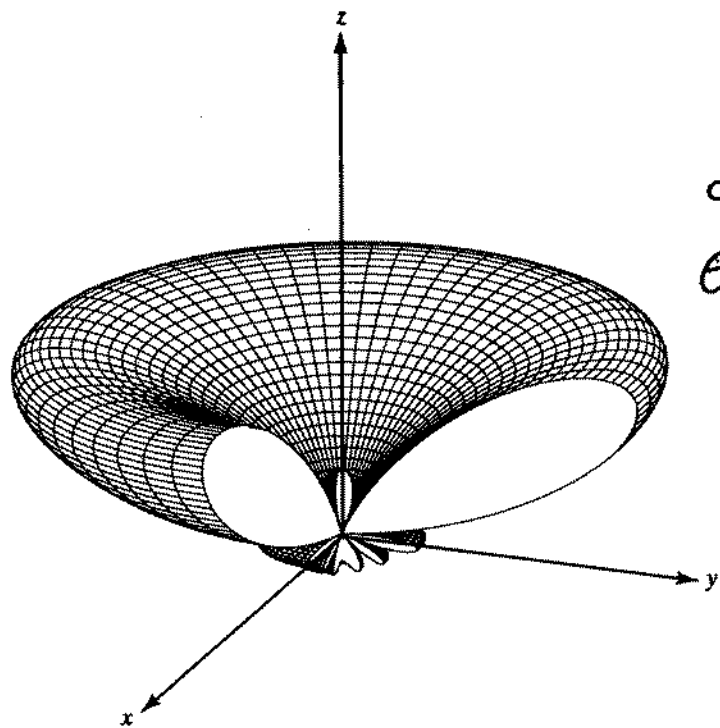
$$\boxed{\text{HPBW} = \cos^{-1} \left[ \cos \theta_{MB} - \frac{2.782}{Nkd} \right] - \cos^{-1} \left[ \cos \theta_{MB} + \frac{2.782}{Nkd} \right]}$$

or

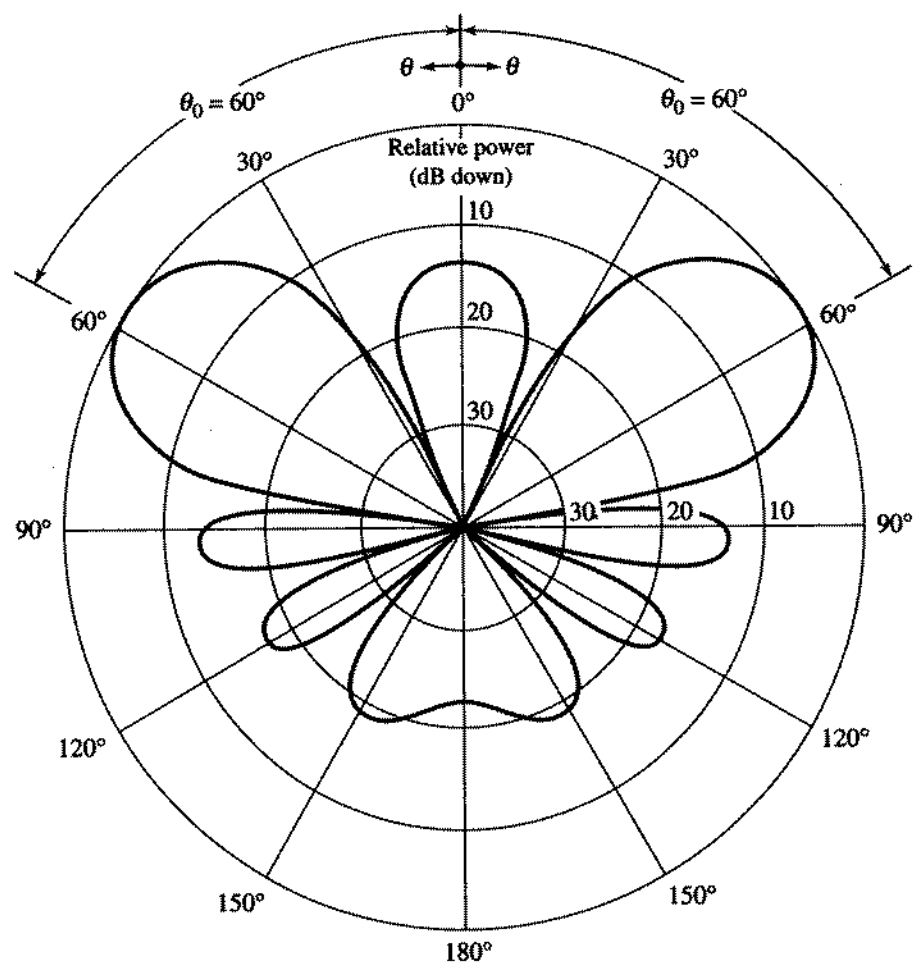
$$\boxed{\text{HPBW} = \cos^{-1} \left[ \cos \theta_m - 0.443 \frac{\lambda}{(L+d)} \right] - \cos^{-1} \left[ \cos \theta_m + 0.443 \frac{\lambda}{(L+d)} \right]}$$

where  $L = (N-1)d = \text{length of array}$





(a) Three-dimensional



(b) Two-dimensional

Figure 6.10 Three- and two-dimensional array factor patterns of a 10-element uniform amplitude scanning array ( $N = 10$ ,  $\beta = -kd \cos \theta_0$ ,  $\theta_0 = 60^\circ$ ,  $d = \lambda/4$ .)

[Antenna Theory (2<sup>nd</sup> Edn) by Balanis, p. 269]

### 6.3.4 Hansen-Woodyard End-Fire Array

→ In 1938, Hansen + Woodyard found a way to improve the directivity of an end-fire array w/out degrading other characteristics for closely-spaced elements in a very long array (actually sidelobes can get bigger)

$$\beta = -\left(kd + \frac{2.92}{N}\right) \approx -\left(kd + \frac{\pi}{N}\right) \quad \theta_{mB} = 0^\circ$$

and

$$\beta = +\left(kd + \frac{2.92}{N}\right) \approx \left(kd + \frac{\pi}{N}\right) \quad \theta_{mB} = 180^\circ$$

→ Won't necessarily get the maximum directivity for finite-length arrays

In addition, @  $\theta_{mB} = 0^\circ$ :

$$|\psi| = |kd \underset{\rightarrow 1}{\cos} 0^\circ + \beta| = \frac{\pi}{N} \quad \text{and} \quad |\psi| = |kd \underset{\rightarrow -1}{\cos} 180^\circ + \beta| \approx \pi$$

and @  $\theta_{mB} = 180^\circ$ :

$$|\psi| = |kd \underset{\rightarrow -1}{\cos} 180^\circ + \beta| = \frac{\pi}{N} \quad \text{and} \quad |\psi| = |kd \cos 0^\circ + \beta| \approx \pi$$

G.3.4 cont.

These additional requirements lead to

$$d = \left(\frac{N-1}{N}\right)^{1/4} \quad \text{for } \theta_{MB} = 0^\circ \text{ or } 180^\circ$$

Note: As  $N \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $d \rightarrow 1/4$ !

**Table 6.5 NULLS, MAXIMA, HALF-POWER POINTS, AND MINOR LOBE MAXIMA FOR UNIFORM AMPLITUDE HANSEN-WOODYARD END-FIRE ARRAYS**

{ Balanis }  
p. 276

NULLS	$\theta_n = \cos^{-1} \left[ 1 + (1 - 2n) \frac{\lambda}{2dN} \right]$ $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ $n \neq N, 2N, 3N, \dots$
SECONDARY MAXIMA	$\theta_m = \cos^{-1} \left\{ 1 + [1 - (2m + 1)] \frac{\lambda}{2Nd} \right\}$ $m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ $\pi d/\lambda \ll 1$
HALF-POWER POINTS	$\theta_h = \cos^{-1} \left( 1 - 0.1398 \frac{\lambda}{Nd} \right)$ $\pi d/\lambda \ll 1$ $N$ large
MINOR LOBE MAXIMA	$\theta_s = \cos^{-1} \left( 1 - \frac{s\lambda}{Nd} \right)$ $s = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ $\pi d/\lambda \ll 1$

Valid for

$\theta_{MB} = 0$

used

$\beta \approx -(kd + \pi/N)$   
approximation

**Table 6.6 BEAMWIDTHS FOR UNIFORM AMPLITUDE HANSEN-WOODYARD END-FIRE ARRAYS**

{ Balanis }  
p. 277

FIRST NULL BEAMWIDTH (FNBW)	$\Theta_n = 2\cos^{-1} \left( 1 - \frac{\lambda}{2dN} \right)$
HALF-POWER BEAMWIDTH (HPBW)	$\Theta_h = 2\cos^{-1} \left( 1 - 0.1398 \frac{\lambda}{Nd} \right)$ $\pi d/\lambda \ll 1$ $N$ large
FIRST SIDE LOBE BEAMWIDTH (FSLBW)	$\Theta_s = 2\cos^{-1} \left( 1 - \frac{\lambda}{Nd} \right)$ $\pi d/\lambda \ll 1$

6.3.4 cont.

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Nulls, Maxima, half-power ... for Uniform  
Amplitude Hansen-Woodyard End-fire Arrays

$$\left[ \theta_{MB} = \pi \text{ or } 180^\circ \text{ using } \beta \approx + (kd + \pi/N) \right]$$

Nulls:  $\theta_n = \cos^{-1} \left[ -1 - \frac{\lambda}{2dN} (1 - 2n) \right]$   $n = 1, 2, \dots$   
 $n \neq N, 2N, 3N, \dots$

Secondary Maxima (Gratings Lobes):  $\theta_m = \cos^{-1} \left[ -1 - \frac{\lambda}{2dN} (1 + (2m+1)) \right]$   $m = 1, 2, \dots$   
 $\frac{\pi d}{\lambda} \ll 1$

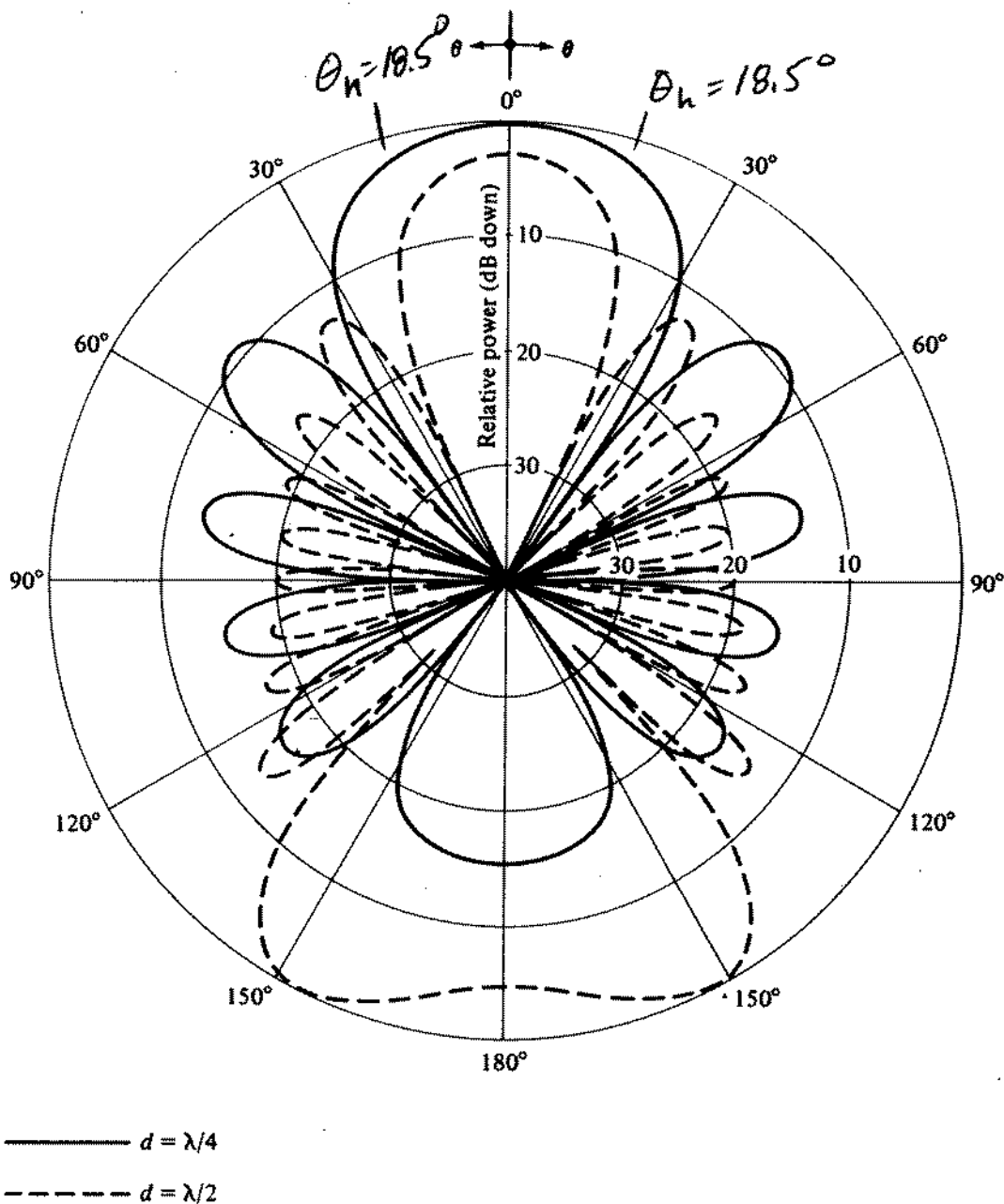
Half-power Points:  $\theta_h = \cos^{-1} \left[ -1 + 0.1378 \frac{\lambda}{Nd} \right]$   $\frac{\pi d}{\lambda} \ll 1$   
 $N \text{ large}$

Minor lobe Maxima:  $\theta_s = \cos^{-1} \left( -1 + \frac{sd}{Nd} \right)$   $s = 1, 2, \dots$   
 $\frac{\pi d}{\lambda} \ll 1$

First Null Beamwidth (FNBW)  $\Theta_n = 2 \left| \pi - \cos^{-1} \left( -1 + \frac{\lambda}{2dN} \right) \right|$

Half-power Beamwidth (HPBW)  $\Theta_h = 2 \left| \pi - \cos^{-1} \left( -1 + 0.1378 \frac{\lambda}{Nd} \right) \right|$   $\frac{\pi d}{\lambda} \ll 1$   
 $N \text{ large}$

First Sidelobe Beamwidth (FSLBW)  $\Theta_s = 2 \left| \pi - \cos^{-1} \left( -1 + \frac{\lambda}{Nd} \right) \right|$   $\frac{\pi d}{\lambda} \ll 1$



**Figure 6.12** Array factor patterns of a 10-element uniform amplitude Hansen-Woodyard end-fire array [ $N = 10$ ,  $\beta = -(kd + \pi/N)$ ] (Antenna Theory (2nd Edn) by Balanis, p. 273)

\* Above, for  $\theta_{mb} = 0^\circ$  &  $N = 10$ , compare the H-W array where  $d = \lambda/4$  ( $\beta = -3\pi/5$ ) w/ an "H-W" array w/ the wrong spacing  $d = \lambda/2$  ( $\beta = -11\pi/10$ )  
 $\Rightarrow$  backlobes bigger than "main beam"

\* For further comparison, Fig 6.9 shows an ordinary end-fire array ( $\beta = -kd = -\frac{\pi}{2}$ ) where  $d = \frac{\lambda}{4}$

H-W array  $d = \frac{\lambda}{4}$ ,  $\beta = -\frac{3\pi}{5}$ , HPBW =  $37^\circ$

$$D_{\max} = 19 = 12.788 \text{ dBi}$$

Ordinary  $d = \frac{\lambda}{4}$ ,  $\beta = -\frac{\pi}{2}$ , HPBW =  $74^\circ$

$$D_{\max} = 11 = 10.414 \text{ dBi}$$

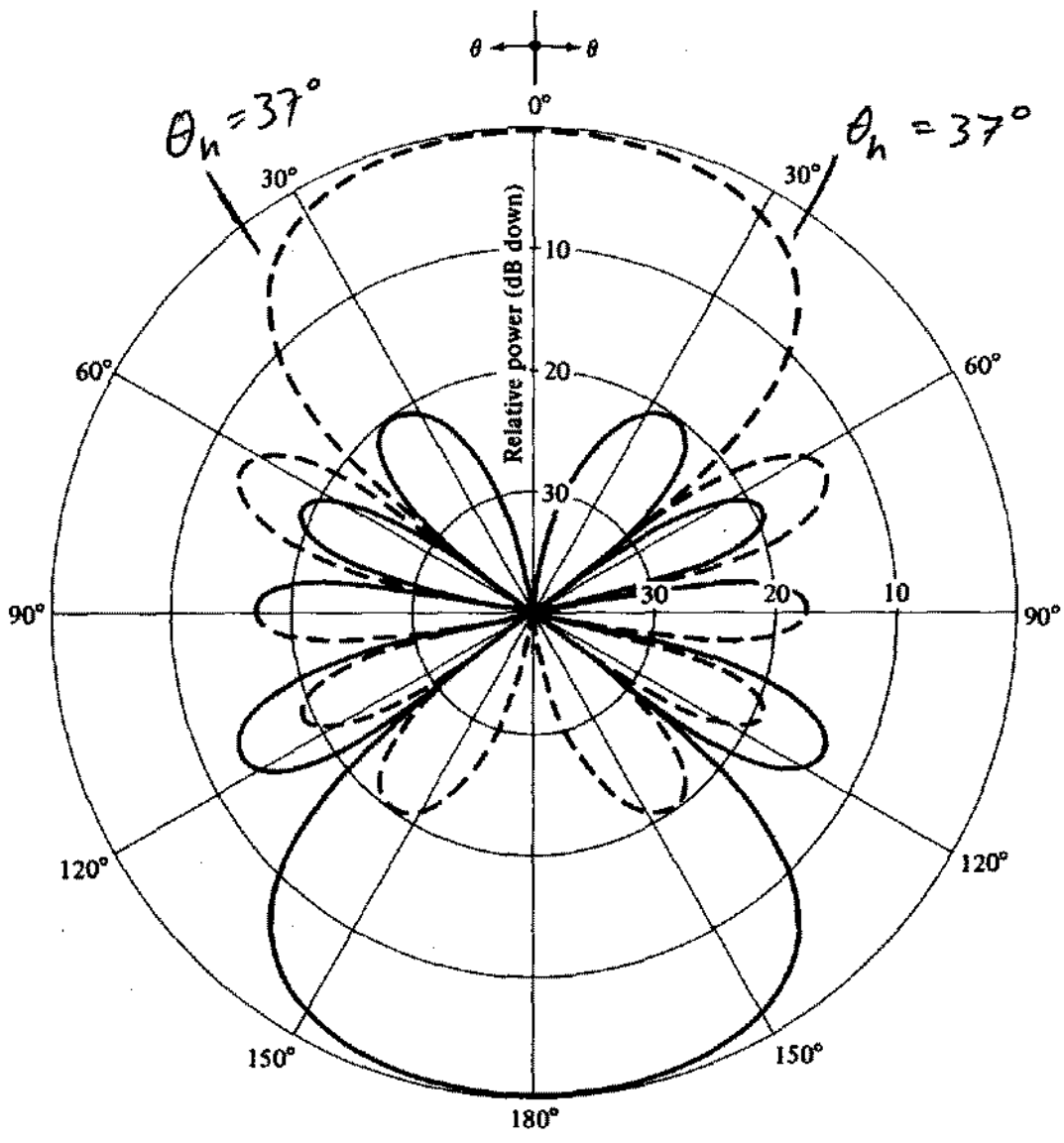
\* H-W has about 2.4 dB higher gain/directivity

\* Drawback of Hansen-Woodward

End-Fire Arrays  $\rightarrow$  higher side lobes

(power has to go somewhere) by about

4 dB in this example. (compare Fig 6.12 + 6.9)



—  $\beta = +kd$   
- - -  $\beta = -kd$  ←  $\theta_m = 0^\circ$

Figure 6.9 Array factor patterns of a 10-element uniform amplitude end-fire array ( $N = 10, d = \lambda/4$ ). [Antenna Theory (2nd Edn) by Balanis, p. 267]

↑↑  
Ordinary End-Fire Array

# 6.4 N-Element Linear Array: Directivity

→ We'll find the directivity of the Array Factor (AF)

$$(2-12a) U(\theta, \phi) = \frac{r^2}{2\eta} |E(r, \theta, \phi)|^2$$

For Uniform arrays along the z-axis, there is no  $\phi$  dependence.

$$U(\theta) \propto |AF|^2 = |I_0|^2 \left[ \frac{\sin(\frac{N}{2}\psi)}{\sin(\frac{1}{2}\psi)} \right]^2$$

can omit  $|I_0|^2$  term as it divides out in directivity expression

$$\psi = kd \cos \theta + \beta$$

$$P_{rad} = \iint U dr = \int_{\phi=0}^{2\pi} \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi} U(\theta) \sin \theta d\theta d\phi = 2\pi \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi} U(\theta) \sin \theta d\theta = 2\pi \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi} \left[ \frac{\sin(\frac{N}{2}\psi)}{\sin(\frac{1}{2}\psi)} \right]^2 \sin \theta d\theta$$

$$\psi = kd \cos \theta + \beta$$

$$D(\theta) = \frac{U}{U_0} = \frac{4\pi U(\theta)}{P_{rad}} = \frac{2U(\theta)}{\int_{\theta=0}^{\pi} U(\theta) \sin \theta d\theta}$$

$U_0 = \frac{P_{rad}}{4\pi}$  (isotropic source)



6.4 cont.

Usually, when asked for directivity, the maximum directivity is what is required.

$$D_{max} = D_0 = \frac{\sum U(\theta_m) \sim \text{Max of AF}}{\int_0^\pi U(\theta) d\theta}$$

→  $U(\theta_m) = |AF(\psi=0)|^2$  →  $N^2$  for ordinary arrays  
 →  $\neq N^2$  for Hansen-Woodyard

Sections 6.4.1 - 6.4.3 develop some approximate expressions for directivity (assume  $d \ll \lambda$ ) as listed below

**TABLE 6.8 Directivities for Broadside and End-Fire Arrays**

Array	Directivity
BROADSIDE	$D_0 = 2N \left(\frac{d}{\lambda}\right) = 2 \left(1 + \frac{L}{d}\right) \frac{d}{\lambda} \approx 2 \left(\frac{L}{\lambda}\right)$ $N\pi d/\lambda \rightarrow \infty, L \gg d$
END-FIRE (ORDINARY)	$D_0 = 4N \left(\frac{d}{\lambda}\right) = 4 \left(1 + \frac{L}{d}\right) \frac{d}{\lambda} \approx 4 \left(\frac{L}{\lambda}\right)$ Only one maximum ( $\theta_0 = 0^\circ$ or $180^\circ$ ) $2N\pi d/\lambda \rightarrow \infty, L \gg d$
END-FIRE (HANSEN-WOODYARD)	$D_0 = 2N \left(\frac{d}{\lambda}\right) = 2 \left(1 + \frac{L}{d}\right) \frac{d}{\lambda} \approx 2 \left(\frac{L}{\lambda}\right)$ Two maxima ( $\theta_0 = 0^\circ$ and $180^\circ$ ) $D_0 = 1.805 \left[4N \left(\frac{d}{\lambda}\right)\right] = 1.805 \left[4 \left(1 + \frac{L}{d}\right) \frac{d}{\lambda}\right] = 1.805 \left[4 \left(\frac{L}{\lambda}\right)\right]$ $2N\pi d/\lambda \rightarrow \infty, L \gg d$

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## Uniform Broadside Array Directivity example

Examine a uniform broadside array of 6 elements with quarterwave spacing.

$$d\lambda := 0.25 \quad kd := 2 \cdot \pi \cdot d\lambda \quad N := 6 \quad I_0 := 1 \quad \beta := 0$$

$$\psi(\theta, \beta) := kd \cdot \cos(\theta) + \beta \quad n := 0..180 \quad \theta_n := \frac{\pi}{180} \cdot n - 0.0001$$

From Table 6.7, find the estimated maximum directivity

$$\text{Dest} := 2 \cdot N \cdot d\lambda \quad \text{Dest\_dB} := 10 \cdot \log(\text{Dest})$$

Remembering that the  $|AF|^2$  is proportional to the radiation intensity  $U$  and that the  $AF$  is independent of  $\phi$ , calculate the "power radiated" as

$$\text{Prad} := 2 \cdot \pi \cdot \int_0^\pi \left[ \frac{\sin\left[\frac{N}{2} \cdot (kd \cdot \cos(\theta) + \beta)\right]}{\sin\left[\frac{1}{2} \cdot (kd \cdot \cos(\theta) + \beta)\right]} \right]^2 \cdot \sin(\theta) \, d\theta \quad \text{Prad} = 142.598$$

Remembering that the maximum of the  $|AF| = N$ , then  $U_{\max}$  is proportional to  $N^2$ . Now, we can find the exact maximum directivity  $D_{\text{exact}}$

$$\text{Dexact} := \frac{4 \cdot \pi \cdot N^2}{\text{Prad}} \quad \text{Dexact\_dB} := 10 \cdot \log(\text{Dexact})$$

Compare the Table 6.7 estimate with the exact directivity

Dest = 3	Dest_dB = 4.771	dBi
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Dexact = 3.172	Dexact_dB = 5.014	dBi
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Very good agreement, especially considering the Table 6.7 requirements that  $N\pi d/\lambda$  approach infinity and  $L \gg d$ .

### Uniform Broadside Array Directivity example cont.

Also, the directivity  $D(\theta)$  is

$$D(\theta) := \frac{4 \cdot \pi \cdot \left[ \frac{\sin \left[ \frac{N}{2} \cdot (kd \cdot \cos(\theta) + \beta) \right]}{\sin \left[ \frac{1}{2} \cdot (kd \cdot \cos(\theta) + \beta) \right]} \right]^2}{\text{Prad}}$$

$$D_{\text{array}_n} := D(\theta_n)$$

$$D_{\text{dB}_n} := 10 \cdot \log(D_{\text{array}_n})$$

$$D_{\text{array}_{90}} = 3.172$$

$$D_{\text{dB}_{90}} = 5.014 \text{ dBi}$$

**Half power points occur when  $D = D_{\text{max}}/2 = 1.586$  or  $5.014 - 3.01 = 2$  dBi**

$$\theta_1 := 72.61$$

$$\theta_2 := 107.39$$

$$D\left(\theta_1 \cdot \frac{\pi}{180}\right) = 1.586$$

$$D\left(\theta_2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{180}\right) = 1.586$$

$$\text{HPBW} := (\theta_2 - \theta_1)$$

$$\boxed{\text{HPBW} = 34.78} \text{ deg}$$

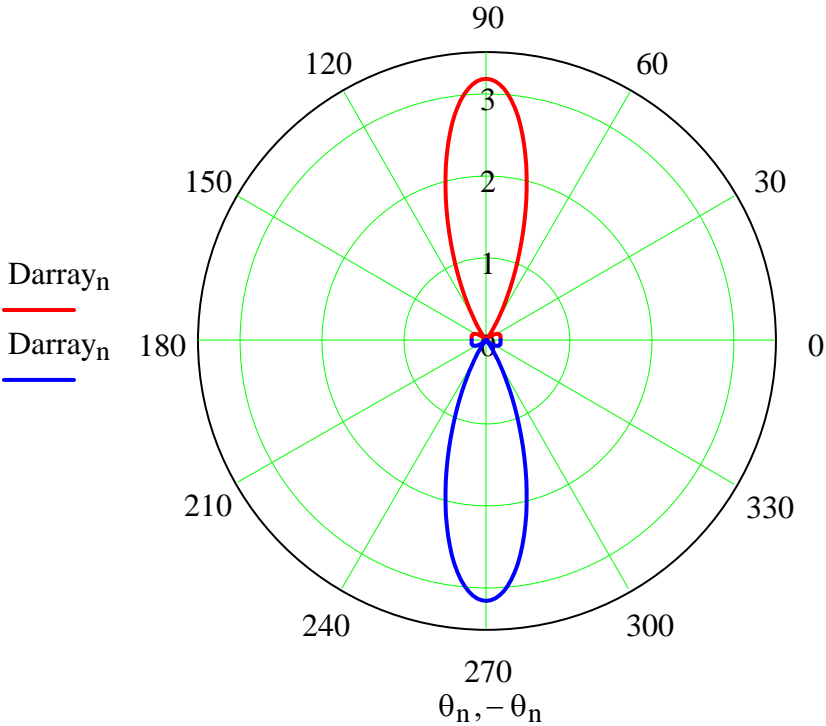
The Table 6.1 estimate of the HPBW is

$$\text{HPBW}_{\text{est}} := 2 \cdot \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \arccos\left(\frac{1.391}{\pi \cdot N \cdot d\lambda}\right) \right) \cdot \frac{180}{\pi}$$

$$\boxed{\text{HPBW}_{\text{est}} = 34.337} \text{ deg}$$

Pretty good agreement.

**Uniform Broadside Array Directivity example cont.**



$$D_{norm\_dB_n} := \text{if}(D_{dB_n} - D_{dB_{90}} + 40 < 0, 0, D_{dB_n} - D_{dB_{90}} + 40)$$

