

Example- Rectangular Microstrip Cavity Analysis

1) Specifications- RT/Duroid 5880 substrate ($\epsilon_r = 2.2$, $h = 0.1588$ cm) and a resonant frequency of $f_r = 9$ GHz matched to a 50Ω microstrip transmission line.

Define some constants/variables from prior example

$$f_r := 9 \cdot 10^9 \quad \text{Hz} \quad \epsilon_r := 2.2 \quad h := 0.1588 \cdot 0.01 \quad \text{m} \quad R_{fd} := 50 \quad \Omega$$

$$c := 2.9979 \cdot 10^8 \quad \text{m/s} \quad \eta_0 := 376.7343 \quad \Omega \quad \lambda_0 := \frac{c}{f_r} \quad \lambda_0 \cdot 100 = 3.331 \quad \text{cm}$$

$$k_0 := \frac{(2 \cdot \pi)}{\lambda_0} \quad k_0 = 188.628 \quad \text{rad/m} \quad W := \frac{c}{2 \cdot f_r} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{\epsilon_r + 1}} \quad W \cdot 100 = 1.3167 \quad \text{cm}$$

$$\frac{W}{h} = 8.292 \quad \epsilon_{r_eff} := \frac{\epsilon_r + 1}{2} + \frac{(\epsilon_r - 1)}{2} \cdot \left(1 + 12 \cdot \frac{h}{W}\right)^{-0.5} \quad \epsilon_{r_eff} = 1.984$$

$$\Delta L := 0.412 \cdot h \cdot \frac{(\epsilon_{r_eff} + 0.3) \cdot \left(\frac{W}{h} + 0.264\right)}{(\epsilon_{r_eff} - 0.258) \cdot \left(0.8 + \frac{W}{h}\right)} \quad L_{eff} := \frac{c}{2 \cdot f_r \cdot \sqrt{\epsilon_{r_eff}}} \quad \lambda := 2 \cdot L_{eff}$$

$$L_{eff} \cdot 100 = 1.18256 \quad \text{cm} \quad \lambda \cdot 100 = 2.36513 \quad \text{cm} \quad k_0 \cdot h = 0.2995$$

$$L := L_{eff} - 2 \cdot \Delta L \quad L \cdot 100 = 1.01961 \quad \text{cm} \quad \frac{L}{\lambda} = 0.431 \quad \frac{W}{L} = 1.291$$

$$G1 := \frac{1}{\pi \cdot \eta_0} \cdot \int_0^\pi \left(\frac{\sin\left(\frac{k_0 \cdot W \cdot \cos(\theta)}{2}\right)}{\cos(\theta)} \right)^2 \cdot (\sin(\theta))^3 d\theta \quad G1 = 1.574 \times 10^{-3} \quad \text{S}$$

$$G12 := \frac{1}{\pi \cdot \eta_0} \cdot \int_0^\pi \left(\frac{\sin\left(\frac{k_0 \cdot W \cdot \cos(\theta)}{2}\right)}{\cos(\theta)} \right)^2 \cdot J_0(k_0 \cdot L \cdot \sin(\theta)) \cdot (\sin(\theta))^3 d\theta$$

$$G12 = 5.963 \times 10^{-4} \quad \text{S}$$

Find the directivity of this microstrip patch antenna

Method 1 (assumes $k_0 h \ll 1$, a so-so assumption in this case)

$$I_2 := \int_0^\pi \int_0^\pi \left(\frac{\sin\left(\frac{k_0 \cdot W}{2} \cdot \cos(\theta)\right)}{\cos(\theta)} \right)^2 \cdot (\sin(\theta))^3 \cdot \left(\cos\left(\frac{k_0 \cdot L_{\text{eff}}}{2} \cdot \sin(\theta) \cdot \sin(\phi)\right) \right)^2 d\theta d\phi$$

$$I_2 = 3.574$$

$$D_{\text{tot1}} := \left(\frac{2 \cdot \pi \cdot W}{\lambda_0} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{I_2} \quad D_{\text{tot1}} = 5.422 \quad 10 \cdot \log(D_{\text{tot1}}) = 7.342 \text{ dBi}$$

Method 2

$$I_1 := \left[\int_0^\pi \left(\frac{\sin\left(\frac{k_0 \cdot W \cdot \cos(\theta)}{2}\right)}{\cos(\theta)} \right)^2 \cdot (\sin(\theta))^3 d\theta \right]$$

$$\text{single-slot directivity} \quad D_0 := \left(\frac{2 \cdot \pi \cdot W}{\lambda_0} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{I_1} \quad D_0 = 3.312$$

$$D_{\text{tot2}} := D_0 \cdot \frac{2}{1 + \frac{G_{12}}{G_1}} \quad D_{\text{tot2}} = 4.804 \quad 10 \cdot \log(D_{\text{tot2}}) = 6.816 \text{ dBi}$$

Method 3 (can use Figure 14.19 since ϵ_r is close)

$$\frac{W}{\lambda_0} = 0.395 \quad \text{Read value from Figure} \quad D_{\text{tot3}} := 7.05 \text{ dBi}$$

Pretty good agreement (to within 0.5 dB) between all three values.

Estimate the HPBW's for this microstrip patch antenna

E-plane (x-y plane)

$$\Theta_E := 2 \cdot \arccos \left[\sqrt{\frac{7.03 \cdot \lambda_0^2}{4 \cdot \pi^2 \cdot (3 \cdot L_{\text{eff}}^2 + h^2)}} \right] \quad \Theta_{E\text{deg}} := \Theta_E \cdot \frac{180}{\pi} \quad \Theta_{E\text{deg}} = 93.654 \quad \text{deg}$$

H-plane (x-z plane)

$$\Theta_H := 2 \cdot \arccos \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{2 + k_0 \cdot W}} \right) \quad \Theta_{H\text{deg}} := \Theta_H \cdot \frac{180}{\pi} \quad \Theta_{H\text{deg}} = 123.637 \quad \text{deg}$$

Very wide beam widths!

Find the normalized E-plane & H-plane radiation patterns

$$E(\theta, \phi) := \sin(\theta) \cdot \frac{\sin\left(\frac{k_0 \cdot h}{2} \cdot \sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\phi)\right)}{\frac{k_0 \cdot h}{2} \cdot \sin(\theta) \cdot \cos(\phi)} \cdot \frac{\sin\left(\frac{k_0 \cdot W}{2} \cdot \cos(\theta)\right)}{\frac{k_0 \cdot W}{2} \cdot \cos(\theta)} \cdot \cos\left(\frac{k_0 \cdot L_{\text{eff}}}{2} \cdot \sin(\theta) \cdot \sin(\phi)\right)$$

$$n := 0..180 \quad \text{phi}_n := (n - 90) \cdot \frac{\pi}{180} \quad \text{theta}_n := n \cdot \frac{\pi}{180} \quad \text{half_pow}_n := \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$E_{\text{epln}_n} := E\left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \text{phi}_n\right) \quad E_{\text{eplndB}_n} := 20 \cdot \log(|E_{\text{epln}_n}|) + 40 \quad \text{half_dB}_n := 37$$

$$E_{\text{epln}_{45}} = 0.703 \quad E_{\text{epln}_{135}} = 0.703 \quad \text{HPBW}_{\text{epln}} := 135 - 45 \quad \text{HPBW}_{\text{epln}} = 90 \quad \text{deg}$$

$$E_{\text{hpln}_n} := E(\text{theta}_n, 0) \quad E_{\text{hplndB}_n} := \text{if}(E_{\text{hpln}_n} < 0.01, 0, 20 \log(|E_{\text{hpln}_n}|) + 40)$$

$$E_{\text{hpln}_{52}} = 0.712 \quad E_{\text{hpln}_{128}} = 0.712 \quad \text{HPBW}_{\text{hpln}} := 128 - 52 \quad \text{HPBW}_{\text{hpln}} = 76 \quad \text{deg}$$

The E-Plane HPBW agrees well with that estimated. However, the H-Plane HPBW is not very close to that estimated.



