Waves and Antenna (1) (E1411)

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If all accelerating electric charges radiate, then the wires that connect my computer to the wall should be antennas, correct?

Answer is **yes**. However, they are very poor antennas as the radiation is cancelled over two wires carrying current in the opposite directions. If it is so simple, then everything could be an antenna. Why don't we just use a metal paper clip as an antenna, hook it up to the receiver ?

Answer: A paper clip could act as an antenna for some given conditions. The impedance controls how much power the receiver or transmitter could deliver to the paper clip. Impedance depends on the operating frequency.



Antennas

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Chapter 1 Antennas

1.1 Introduction

1.2 Types of Antennas

What is antenna?

Definition:

"a means for radiating or receiving radio waves."

Transitional structure between free-space and a guiding device



Figure 1.1 Antenna as a transition device.



Figure 1.2 Transmission-line Thevenin equivalent of antenna in transmitting mode.



conduction, dielectric losses

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Maximum power is delivered to the antenna under *conjugate matching*.

$$\boldsymbol{R}_r + \boldsymbol{R}_L = \boldsymbol{R}_g$$
, $\boldsymbol{X}_A = -\boldsymbol{X}_g$

What are not antennas?



compass only receiving magnetic field

What about human eyes?



The human eye of course receives high frequency electromagnetic waves but cannot transmit waves.

Therefore, eyes are not the antenna.

LIST OF HONOUR

Charles de Coulomb 1736-1806



James Watte 1736-1819



Alessandro Volta 1745-1827



André Marie Ampère 1775- 1836



Carl Friedrich Gauss 1777-1855



Simeon Denis Poisson 1781-1840





Georg Simon Ohm 1787-1854



Michael Faraday 1791-1867



James Prescott Joule 1818-1889



Hermann von Helmholtz 1821-1894



James Clerk Maxwell 1834-1879



Nikola Tesla 1865-1943

Coupling of electricity and magnetism



Michael Faraday 1791-1867

He slid a magnetic around the coils of a wire attached to a galvanometer.

In moving the magnet, he was creating a time-varying magnetic field, which as a result (from Maxwell's Equations), must have had a time-varying electric field.



The coil acts as a loop antenna.

It receives the EM radiation which is detected by the ampere meter.



Hertz's wireless communication system



Heinrich Hertz 1857-1894 He observed an electrical spark in the gap of a dipole antenna.

When using a loop antenna as a receiver, he observed a similar disturbance.



Dipole antenna



Generic Antenna network



• Complex antenna impedance Z_{ant} needs to be matched to the system impedance.

Types Of Antennas

- 1. Wire antennas
- 2. Aperture antennas
- 3. Microstrip antennas
- 4. Array antennas
- 5. Reflector antennas
- 6. Lens antennas

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Wire Antennas

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Wire antennas





Circular (Square) Loop









Aperture Antennas

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Aperture antennas

- Horn antennas have a directional radiation pattern with a high antenna gain, 10-20 dB is typical.
- Horn antennas are also often used to feed a dish antenna, or as a "standard gain" antenna in measurements.
- The popular design is pyramidal horn.















Microstrip Antennas

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Microstrip or patch antennas







Array Antennas

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Yagi-Uda antenna





The Yagi antenna consists of a single 'feed' or 'driven' element, typically a dipole antenna.

simple construction, high gain over 10 dB. reflecteder director



http://www.antenna-theory.com/antennas/travelling/yagi.php









Reflector Antennas

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Reflector antennas

to communicate over great distance





Lens antennas

 Primarily used to collimate incident divergent energy to prevent it from spreading in undesired directions







Radiation mechanisms

How is the radiation accomplished in a single wire?



Single wire

- Assume ρ_ν is an electric volume charge density (C/m³) and is uniformly distributed in a circular wire of a cross-sectional A and volume V.
- The current density $J_z = \rho_v v_z$ A/m^2 is called *"convection current."*
- The current density J_s on the surface is given by $J_s = \rho_s V_z$

where ρ_s is the surface charge density (C/m²). If the wire is very thin, then the current can be represented by $I_s = \rho_I v_z$, where ρ_I is the charge per unit length (C/m).

Single wire

$$\frac{dI_z}{dt} = \rho_l \frac{dv_z}{dt} = \rho_l a_z$$
$$\frac{dI_z}{dt} = l\rho_l \frac{dv_z}{dt} = l\rho_l a_z$$

To create radiation, there must be a time-varying current or an acceleration (or deceleration) of charge).

Radiation facts

- 1. If a charge is not moving, current is not created and there is no radiation.
- 2. If charge is moving with a uniform velocity:
 - a) There is no radiation if the wire is straight, and infinite in extent.
 - b) There is a radiation if the wire is curved, bent, discontinuous, terminated, or truncated.
- 3. If charge is oscillating in a time-motion, it radiates even if the wire is straight.

Wire configurations for radiation





Two wires

• Applying a voltage source connected to a two-conductor transmission line which is connected to an antenna.



Figure 1.11 Source, transmission line, antenna, and detachment of electric field lines.

Dipole

The electric lines of force are detached from the antenna to form the free-space waves.





