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§1 INTRODUCTION

In this paper, the characteristics of the elliptic loop antenna are discussed by expressing the electromagnetic field of the antenna in the elliptic-cylindrical coordinates.

§2 ELLIPTIC-CYLINDRICAL COORDINATES

The variables (ξ, η, Z) are called the elliptic-cylindrical coordinates.

They are related to the rectangular coordinates by the eq.(1).

$$X = a \cos \xi \cos \eta, \quad Y = a \sinh \xi \sin \eta, \quad Z = Z \quad (1)$$

where

$$0 \leq \xi \leq \infty, \quad -\pi \leq \eta \leq \pi, \quad -\infty \leq Z \leq \infty$$

The coordinates surface, ξ -constant, is a cylinder of elliptic cross section, whose foci are P1 and P2. The surface, η -constant, represents a family of confocal hyperbolic cylinders of two sheets as shown Fig.1.

§3 ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD

On the assuming that a radius of the antenna is very small, the current source $I(\eta)$ exists in the center of the antenna wire and is a filament current having η component only.

$P(\xi, \eta, Z)$ on the elliptic-cylindrical coordinates is a point of the current source and $P'(\xi, \eta', Z')$ is a observation-point.

Electric field at the observation-point is shown as the eq.(2).

$$E_{\eta}(\xi, \eta', Z) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} I(\eta') G(\eta, \eta') d\eta' \quad (2)$$

where

$$G(\eta, \eta') = \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\epsilon} \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 \sinh^2 \xi + a^2 \sin^2 \eta}} \int_0^{\pi} a^2 k^2 (\sinh \xi \cos \eta' \times \sinh \xi \cos \eta - \cosh \xi \sin \eta' \cosh \xi \sin \eta) \frac{1}{r} e^{-jkr} d\eta'$$

r is a distance between a current source-point and a observation-point, ω is the angular frequency, k is the propagation constant, and a is the focal distance of the ellipse.

§4 FOURIER SERIES SOLUTION OF THE CURRENT DISTRIBUTION

The induced electric field by the driving potential difference V applied across the gap of the antenna is expanded to the Fourier series as shown the eq.(3).

$$E_{\eta}(\xi, \eta', Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} V_n e^{jn\eta'} \quad (3)$$

where V_n is the Fourier coefficient.

In the eq.(2), $I(\eta)$ and $G(\eta, \eta')$ are expanded to the Fourier series as shown the eq.(4), (5).

$$I(\eta) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} I_n e^{jn\eta} \quad (4)$$

$$G(\eta, \eta') = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} A_{m,n} e^{jm\eta'} e^{-jn\eta} \quad (5)$$

where I_n and $A_{m,n}$ are the Fourier coefficients respectively.

From the eq.(2), (3), (4), (5), the coefficients of the Fourier series solution are given as the eq.(6)

$$[I] = \frac{1}{2\pi} [A]^{-1} [V] \quad (6)$$

where

$[I]$: column vector consisted of element I_n

$[V]$: column vector consisted of element V_n

$[A]^{-1}$: inverse matrix of matrix $[A]$ consisted of element

$A_{m,n}$
Fig.(2), (3), (4), (5) are the examples of the current distribution and the radiation pattern respectively.

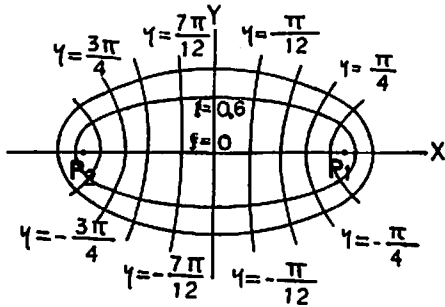


Fig.1 Elliptic-cylindrical coordinates

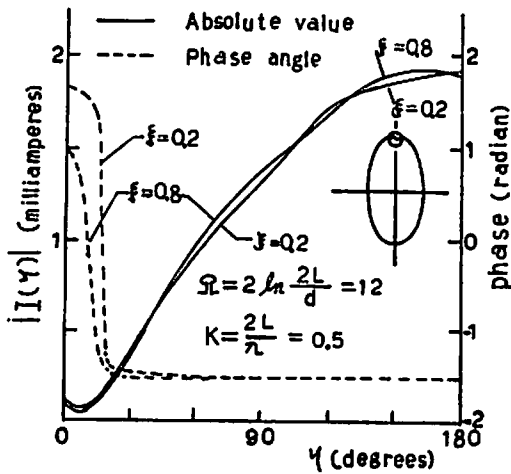


Fig.2 Absolute value and phase angle of $I(\gamma)$

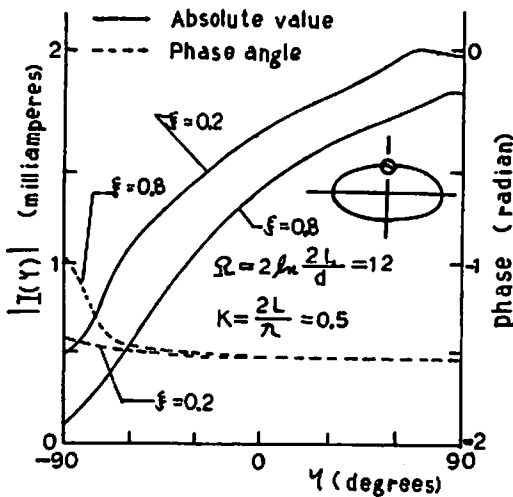


Fig.3 Absolute value and phase angle of $I(\gamma)$

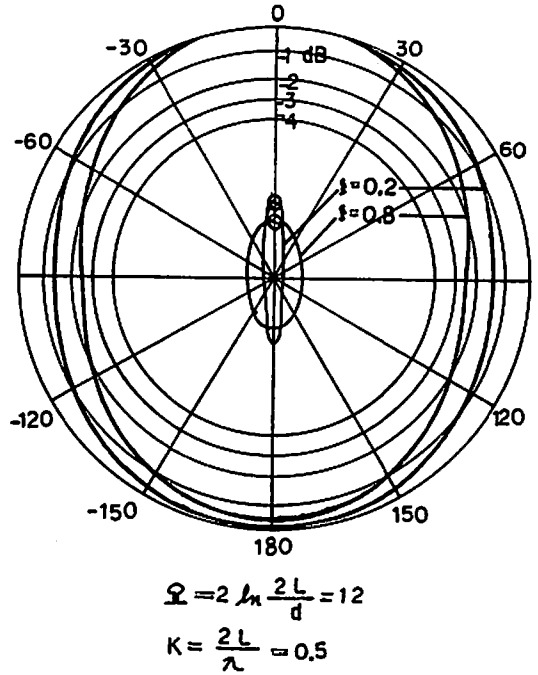


Fig.4 Horizontal electric field pattern

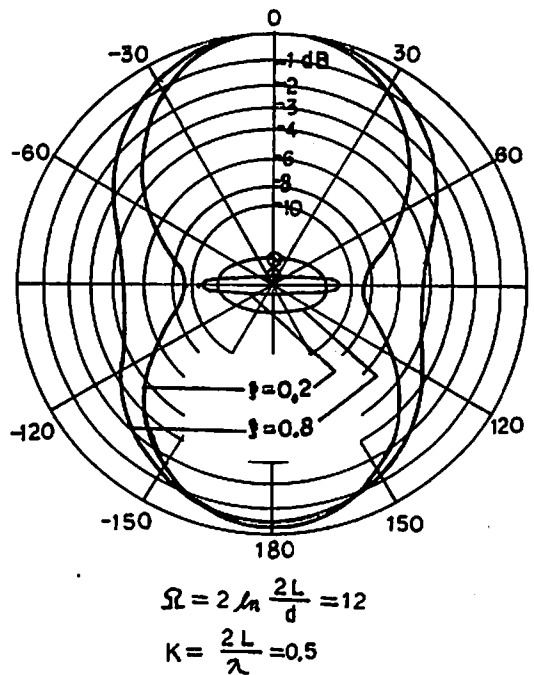


Fig.5 Horizontal electric field pattern