## PYRAMIDALHorn

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## Aperture Fields:

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\begin{aligned}
& E_{y}^{\prime}\left(x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}\right)=E_{0} \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{a_{1}} x^{\prime}\right) e^{-j\left[k\left(\frac{x^{\prime 2}}{2 \rho_{2}}+\frac{y^{\prime 2}}{2 \rho_{1}}\right)\right]} \\
& H_{x}^{\prime}\left(x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}\right)=-\frac{E_{0}}{\eta} \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{a_{1}} x^{\prime}\right) e^{-j\left[k\left[\frac{x^{\prime 2}}{2 \rho_{2}} \frac{y^{\prime 2}}{2 \rho_{1}}\right)\right]}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Radiated Fields:

$$
\begin{align*}
E_{\theta}= & j \frac{k E_{0} e^{-j k r}}{4 \pi r}\left[\sin \phi(1+\cos \theta) I_{1} I_{2}\right]  \tag{13-48b}\\
E_{\phi}= & j \frac{k E_{0} e^{-j k r}}{4 \pi r}\left[\cos \phi(1+\cos \theta) I_{1} I_{2}\right]  \tag{13-48c}\\
I_{1}= & \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\pi \rho_{2}}{k}}\left\{e^{j \frac{j_{x}^{k_{2}^{2} \rho_{2}}}{2 k}}\left[\left(C\left(t_{2}^{\prime}\right)-C\left(t_{1}^{\prime}\right)\right)-j\left(S\left(t_{2}^{\prime}\right)-S\left(t_{1}^{\prime}\right)\right)\right]\right. \\
& \left.+e^{\frac{j_{x}^{\prime \prime} \rho_{2}}{2 k}}\left[\left(C\left(t_{2}^{\prime \prime}\right)-C\left(t_{1}^{\prime \prime}\right)\right)-j\left(S\left(t_{2}^{\prime \prime}\right)-S\left(t_{1}^{\prime \prime}\right)\right)\right]\right\}  \tag{13-46}\\
I_{2}= & \sqrt{\frac{\pi \rho_{1}}{k} e^{j \frac{k_{y}^{\prime} \rho_{1}}{2 k}}\left\{\left[\left(C\left(t_{2}\right)-C\left(t_{1}\right)\right)-j\left(S\left(t_{2}\right)-S\left(t_{1}\right)\right)\right]\right\}} \tag{13-47}
\end{align*}
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$$
\begin{aligned}
& \rho_{1}=\rho_{2}=6 \lambda \\
& a_{1}=12 \lambda \\
& b_{1}=6 \lambda \\
& a=0.5 \lambda \\
& b=0.25 \lambda
\end{aligned}
$$



Fig. 13.21

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E_{y}^{\prime}\left(x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}\right)=E_{0} \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{a_{1}} x^{\prime}\right) e^{-j\left[k\left(\frac{x^{\prime 2}}{2 \rho_{2}}+\frac{y^{\prime 2}}{2 \rho_{1}}\right)\right]}
$$

Condition for Physical Realization:

$$
\begin{gathered}
p_{e}=\left(b_{1}-b\right)\left[\left(\frac{\rho_{e}}{b_{1}}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{4}\right]^{1 / 2} \\
p_{h}=\left(a_{1}-a\right)\left[\left(\frac{\rho_{h}}{a_{1}}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{4}\right]^{1 / 2} \\
p_{e}=p_{h}
\end{gathered}
$$

## Pyramidal Horn: Design Procedure

Alternatively
Directivity of
Pyramidal Horn
Antenna can be obtained using Directivity

$$
G_{0} \simeq \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{4 \pi}{\lambda^{2}} a_{1} b_{1}\right)
$$

curves for $E$-and

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
a_{1} \simeq \sqrt{3 \lambda \rho_{2}} \approx \sqrt{3 \lambda \rho_{h}} & \rho_{2} \simeq \rho_{h} \\
b_{1} \simeq \sqrt{2 \lambda \rho_{1}} \approx \sqrt{2 \lambda \rho_{e}} & \rho_{1} \simeq \rho_{e}
\end{array}
$$

H-Planes

Sectoral Horn antenna
$D_{p}=\frac{\pi \lambda^{2}}{32 a b} D_{E} D_{H}$

$$
p_{e}=\left(b_{1}-b\right) \sqrt{\left(\frac{p_{e}}{b_{1}}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{4}}
$$

## Examples

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { 1. } \rho_{1}=\rho_{2}=6 \lambda, a_{1}=5.5 \lambda, b_{1}=2.75 \lambda, a=0.5 \lambda, b=0.25 \lambda \\
& \rho_{e}=\sqrt{\rho_{1}{ }^{2}+\left(b_{1} / 2\right)^{2}}=\sqrt{(6)^{2}+(2.75 / 2)^{2}} \lambda=6.1555 \lambda \\
& \rho_{h}=\sqrt{\rho_{2}{ }^{2}+\left(a_{1} / 2\right)^{2}}=\sqrt{(6)^{2}+(5.5 / 2)^{2}} \lambda=6.6 \lambda \\
& p_{e}=(2.75-0.25) \lambda=\left[\left(\frac{6.1555}{2.75}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{4}\right]^{1 / 2}=5.4544 \lambda \\
& p_{h}=(5.5-0.5) \lambda=\left[\left(\frac{6.6}{5.5}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{4}\right]^{1 / 2}=5.4544 \lambda \\
& p_{e}=p_{h}=5.4544 \lambda
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
\text { 2. } \rho_{1}=\rho_{2}=6 \lambda, a_{1}=12 \lambda, b_{1}=6 \lambda, a=0.5 \lambda, b=0.25 \lambda \\
\rho_{e}=\sqrt{\rho_{1}{ }^{2}+\left(b_{1} / 2\right)^{2}}=\sqrt{(6)^{2}+(6 / 2)^{2}} \lambda=6.7082 \lambda \\
\rho_{h}=\sqrt{\rho_{2}{ }^{2}+\left(a_{1} / 2\right)^{2}}=\sqrt{(6)^{2}+(12 / 2)^{2}} \lambda=8.4853 \lambda \\
p_{e}=(6-0.25) \lambda=\left[\left(\frac{6.7082}{6}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{4}\right]^{1 / 2}=5.75 \lambda \\
p_{h}=(12-0.5) \lambda=\left[\left(\frac{8.4853}{12}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{4}\right]^{1 / 2}=5.75 \lambda \\
p_{e}=p_{h}=5.75 \lambda
\end{gathered}
$$

Horn Antennas

## Design of Pyramidal horn antenna

## Design Procedure

- To design a pyramidal horn, one usually knows the desired gain GO and the dimensions $a, b$ of the rectangular feed waveguide.
- The objective of the design is to determine the remaining dimensions (a1, b1, $\rho e, \rho h, P e$, and Ph) that will lead to an optimum gain.

The design equations are derived by firsts electing values of a1 and b1that lead to optimum directivities for the E - and H plane sectoral horns.

$$
a_{1} \simeq \sqrt{3 \lambda \rho_{2}}
$$

$$
b_{1} \simeq \sqrt{2 \lambda \rho_{1}}
$$

Since the overall efficiency (including both the antenna and aperture efficiencies) of a horn antenna is about 50\%. the gain of the antenna can be related to its physical area.
Thus it can be written by

$$
G_{0}=\frac{1}{2} \frac{4 \pi}{\lambda^{2}}\left(a_{1} b_{1}\right)=\frac{2 \pi}{\lambda^{2}} \sqrt{3 \lambda \rho_{2}} \sqrt{2 \lambda \rho_{1}} \simeq \frac{2 \pi}{\lambda^{2}} \sqrt{3 \lambda \rho_{h}} \sqrt{2 \lambda \rho_{e}}
$$

since for long horns $\rho 2 \approx \rho h$ and $\rho 1 \approx \rho e$.
For a pyramidal horn to be physically realizable, Pe and Ph must be equal. Using this equality, it can be shown that gain reduces to

$$
\left(\sqrt{2 \chi}-\frac{b}{\lambda}\right)^{2}(2 \chi-1)=\left(\frac{G_{0}}{2 \pi} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2 \pi}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\chi}}-\frac{a}{\lambda}\right)^{2}\left(\frac{G_{0}^{2}}{6 \pi^{3}} \frac{1}{\chi}-1\right)
$$

where

$$
\begin{align*}
& \frac{\rho_{e}}{\lambda}=\chi  \tag{13-56a}\\
& \frac{\rho_{h}}{\lambda}=\frac{G_{0}^{2}}{8 \pi^{3}}\left(\frac{1}{\chi}\right) \tag{13-56b}
\end{align*}
$$

This Equation is the horn-design equation .

1. As a first step of the design, find the value of $\chi$ which satisfies (13-56) for a desired gain GO (dimensionless). Use an iterative technique and begin with a trial value of

$$
\chi(\text { trial })=\chi_{1}=\frac{G_{0}}{2 \pi \sqrt{2 \pi}}
$$

2. Once the correct $\chi$ has been found, determine $\rho e$ and $\rho h$ using (13-56a) and (13-56b) respectively.
3. Find the corresponding values of $a 1$ and $b 1$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& a_{1}=\sqrt{3 \lambda \rho_{2}} \simeq \sqrt{3 \lambda \rho_{h}}=\frac{G_{0}}{2 \pi} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2 \pi \chi}} \lambda \\
& b_{1}=\sqrt{2 \lambda \rho_{1}} \simeq \sqrt{2 \lambda \rho_{e}}=\sqrt{2 \chi \lambda}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Problems of horn antenna

## Example 13.6:

Given: X-Band (8.2-12.4 GHz), $f=11 \mathrm{GHz}$ Horn; Gain=22.6 dB

$$
a=0.9 \text { in }(2.286 \mathrm{~cm}), b=0.4 \text { in }(1.016 \mathrm{~cm})
$$

Find:
Dimensions Of Pyramidal Horn

## Solution

$$
\begin{aligned}
& G_{0}(d B)=22.6=10 \log _{10} G_{0} \Rightarrow G_{0}=10^{2.26}=181.97 \\
& \text { At } f=11 \mathrm{GHz} \Rightarrow \lambda=\frac{30 \times 10^{9}}{11 \times 10^{9}}=2.7273 \mathrm{~cm} \\
& b=\frac{1.016}{2.7273} \lambda=0.3725 \lambda ; a=\frac{2.286}{2.7273} \lambda=0.8382 \lambda
\end{aligned}
$$

1. Initial value of $\chi$

$$
\chi_{1}=\frac{G_{0}}{2 \pi \sqrt{2 \pi}}=\frac{181.97}{2 \pi \sqrt{2 \pi}}=11.5539
$$

which does not satisfy(12-56), or

$$
\left(\sqrt{2 \chi}-\frac{b}{\chi}\right)^{2}(2 \chi-1)=\left(\frac{G_{0}}{2 \pi} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2 \pi}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\chi}}-\frac{a}{\lambda}\right)^{2}\left(\frac{G_{0}{ }^{2}}{6 \pi^{3}} \frac{1}{\chi}-1\right)
$$

After few tries, a more accurate value is

$$
\chi=11.1157
$$

2. $\rho_{e}=\chi \lambda=11.1157 \lambda=30.316 \mathrm{~cm}=11.935 \mathrm{in}$.

$$
\rho_{h}=\frac{G_{0}{ }^{2}}{8 \pi^{3}}\left(\frac{1}{\chi}\right) \lambda=12.0094 \lambda=32.753 \mathrm{~cm}=12.895 \mathrm{in} .
$$

3. 

$$
\begin{aligned}
a_{1} & =\sqrt{3 \lambda \rho_{2}} \approx \sqrt{3 \lambda \rho_{h}}=\frac{G_{0}}{2 \pi} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2 \pi \chi}} \lambda=6.002 \lambda \\
& =16.370 \mathrm{~cm}=6.445 \mathrm{in} . \\
b_{1} & =\sqrt{2 \lambda \rho_{1}} \approx \sqrt{2 \lambda \rho_{e}}=\sqrt{2 \chi} \lambda=4.715 \lambda \\
& =12.859 \mathrm{~cm}=5.063 \mathrm{in} .
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\text { 4. } p_{e}=\left(b_{1}-b\right)\left[\left(\frac{p_{e}}{b_{1}}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{4}\right]^{1 / 2}=10.005 \lambda
$$

$$
=27.286 \mathrm{~cm}=10.743 \mathrm{in} .
$$

$$
p_{h}=\left(a_{1}-a\right)\left[\left(\frac{p_{h}}{a_{1}}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{4}\right]^{1 / 2}=10.005 \lambda
$$

$$
=27.286 \mathrm{~cm}=10.743 \mathrm{in} .
$$

13.21. Design a pyramidal horn antenna with optimum gain at a frequency of 10 GHz . The overall length of the antenna from the imaginary vertex of the horn to the center of the aperture is $10 \lambda$ and is nearly the same in both planes. Determine the
(a) Aperture dimensions of the horn (in cm).
(b) Gain of the antenna (in $d B$ )
(c) Aperture efficiency of the antenna (in \%). Assume the reflection, conduction, and dielectric losses of the antenna are negligible.
(d) Power delivered to a matched load when the incident power density is $10 \mu$ watts $/ \mathrm{m}^{2}$.

13-18.

$$
\lambda=\frac{30 \times 10^{9}}{10 \times 10^{9}}=3 \mathrm{~cm}
$$

$a$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& a_{1} \simeq \sqrt{3 \lambda \rho}=\sqrt{3 \lambda(10 \lambda)}=\sqrt{30 \lambda^{2}}=5.477 \lambda=16.43 \mathrm{~cm} \\
& b_{1} \simeq \sqrt{2 \lambda \rho}=\sqrt{20 \lambda^{2}}=4.472 \lambda=13.416 \mathrm{~cm}
\end{aligned}
$$

b. $\quad G_{0}=\frac{1}{2} \frac{4 \pi}{\lambda^{2}}\left(a_{1} b_{1}\right)=\frac{1}{2} \frac{4 \pi}{\lambda^{2}}(5.477 \lambda)(4.472 \lambda)=153.89=21.87 \mathrm{~dB}$
c. $e_{r} e_{c d} \varepsilon_{a p}=1 \cdot 1 \cdot \varepsilon_{a p}=\frac{1}{2}, \quad \varepsilon_{a p}=\frac{1}{2}=50 \%$
d. Aem $=\frac{\lambda^{2}}{4 \pi} G_{0}=\frac{3^{2}}{4 \pi}(153.89)=110.2156 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}=110.2156 \times 10^{-4} \mathrm{~m}^{2}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& P_{\text {rec }}=W^{i} \text { Aem }=10 \times 10^{-6} \times 110.2156 \times 10^{-4}=1,102.156 \times 10^{-10}=11.02156 \times 10^{-8} \\
& P_{\text {rec }}=11.02156 \times 10^{-8}=0.1102156 \mu \text { Watts }
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& a_{1}=\frac{G_{0}}{2 \pi} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2 \pi \chi}} \lambda=\frac{50.7}{2 \pi} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2 \pi(2.96795)}} \lambda=3.23646 \lambda=8.82 .68 \mathrm{~cm}=3.475^{\prime \prime} \\
& b_{1}=\sqrt{2 \chi} \lambda=\sqrt{2(2.96795)} \lambda=2.43637 \lambda=6.6447 \mathrm{~cm}=2.616^{\prime \prime} \\
& \left.\begin{array}{rl}
P_{e}=\left(b_{1}-b\right)\left[\left(\frac{e_{e}}{b_{1}}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{4}\right]^{1 / 2}=6.25263 \mathrm{~cm}=2.46167^{\prime \prime} \\
\begin{array}{rl}
P_{h}=\left(a_{1}-a\right)
\end{array}\left(\left(\frac{P_{h}}{a_{1}}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{4}\right]^{1 / 2}=6.25269 \mathrm{~cm}=2.46169^{\prime \prime}
\end{array}\right\} \Rightarrow \rho_{e} \approx \rho_{h} \simeq 6.2526 \mathrm{~cm} \\
& \simeq 2.4617^{\prime \prime}
\end{aligned}
$$

13.16. A standard-gain $X$-band ( $8.2-12.4 \mathrm{GHz}$ ) pyramidal horn has dimensions of $\rho_{1} \simeq 13.5 \mathrm{in} .(34.29 \mathrm{~cm}), \rho_{2} \simeq 14.2 \mathrm{in}$. $(36.07 \mathrm{~cm}), a_{1}=7.65 \mathrm{in} .(19.43 \mathrm{~cm})$, $b_{1}=5.65 \mathrm{in} .(14.35 \mathrm{~cm}), a=0.9 \mathrm{in} .(2.286 \mathrm{~cm})$, and $b=0.4 \mathrm{in} .(1.016 \mathrm{~cm})$.
(a) Check to see if such a horn can be constructed physically.
$13-15$

$$
\left.\begin{array}{l}
\rho_{1}=13.6^{\prime \prime}=34.49 \mathrm{~cm} \\
\rho_{2}=14.2^{\prime \prime}=36.07 \mathrm{~cm} \\
a_{1}=7.65^{\prime \prime}=19.43 \mathrm{~cm} \\
b_{1}=5.65^{\prime \prime}=14.35 \mathrm{~cm}
\end{array}\right\} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned}
& \rho_{e}=\left[\rho_{1}^{2}+\left(b_{1} / 2\right)^{2}\right]^{1 / 2}=13.7924^{\prime \prime}=35.0327 \mathrm{~cm} \\
& \rho_{h}=\left[\rho_{1}^{2}+\left(a_{1} / 2\right)^{2}\right]^{1 / 2}=14.7061^{\prime \prime}=37.3536 \mathrm{~cm} \\
& a=0.9^{\prime \prime}=2.286 \mathrm{~cm} \\
& b=0.4^{\prime \prime}=1.016 \mathrm{~cm}
\end{aligned}
$$

a. $P_{e}=\left(b_{1}-b\right) \sqrt{\left(\frac{l e}{b_{1}}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{4}}=(5.65-0.4) \sqrt{\left(\frac{13.7924}{5.65}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{4}}=12.544^{\prime \prime}=31.862 \mathrm{~cm}$

$$
P_{h}=\left(a_{1}-a\right) \sqrt{\left(\frac{P_{h}}{a_{1}}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{4}}=(7.65-0.9) \sqrt{\left(\frac{14.2061}{7.65}\right)^{2}-\frac{1}{4}}=12.529^{\prime \prime}=31.8246 \mathrm{~cm}
$$

Therefore $\mathrm{Pe}_{e} \approx \mathrm{Ph}$, and the pyramidal horn is physically realizable

