

Exam in *Antenna Theory*

Time: 20 Mars 2006, at 09.00–14.00.

Location: Gimogatan 4, Sal 2

You may bring: Laboratory reports, pocket calculator, English dictionary,

Råde-Westergren: "Beta", Nordling-Österman: "Physics Handbook", or comparable handbooks.

Six problems, maximum five points each, for a total maximum of 30 points.

1. Consider an infinitesimal electric dipole of length l placed symmetrically at the origin. Assume that the current in the dipole is constant and given by $I_e(z') = \hat{z}I_0$. Find the electric and magnetic field components radiated by the dipole in *all* space.

Hints: The vector potential $\mathbf{A}$ is given by

$$\mathbf{A} = \frac{\mu}{4\pi} \int \mathbf{I}_e(x', y', z') \frac{e^{-jkR}}{R} dl'$$

where R is the distance from any point on the source to the observation point. The magnetic and electric fields are given by

$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{\mu} \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$$

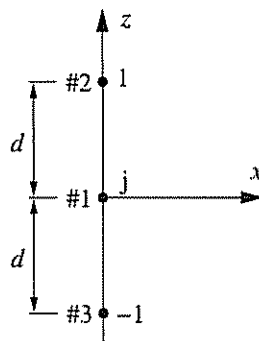
$$\mathbf{E} = -j\omega\mathbf{A} - j\frac{1}{\omega\mu\epsilon} \nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}) = \frac{1}{j\omega\epsilon} \nabla \times \mathbf{H}$$

2. The normalized far-zone field pattern of an antenna is given by

$$E = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\sin^2 \theta \sin \phi} & 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi, \quad 0 \leq \phi \leq \pi \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Find the directivity using

- the exact expression;
 - Kraus' approximative formula.
3. A three element array of isotropic sources has the phase and magnitude relationships shown in the Figure below. The spacing between the elements is $d = \lambda/2$.
- Find the array factor.
 - Find all the nulls.



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4. An infinitesimal vertical linear magnetic dipole of constant magnetic current I_m and length l is placed a distance h above an infinite perfectly conducting electric ground plane.

- Find the far-zone E- and H-field components radiated by the dipole in the presence of the ground plane.
- Specify the angular region where the radiated fields are valid.

Hint: The far-field components radiated from an infinitesimal electric dipole placed along the z axis are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E} &= \hat{\theta} E_\theta, \quad \text{where} \quad E_\theta = j\eta \frac{kI_0 l}{4\pi r} e^{-jk r} \sin \theta, \\ \mathbf{H} &= \hat{\phi} H_\phi, \quad \text{where} \quad H_\phi = E_\theta / \eta. \end{aligned}$$

5. Design a constant current circular loop so that its far-field pattern has exactly two nulls above the plane of the loop at the angles $\theta = 0^\circ$ and $\theta = 60^\circ$, where θ is measured from the axis of the loop.

- Find the radius a of the loop.
- Find the angles of all the nulls.

Hint: The far-field components radiated by a circular loop of radius a and constant current I_0 are given by

$$\begin{aligned} E_\phi &= \frac{a\omega\mu I_0}{2r} e^{-jk r} J_1(ka \sin \theta), \\ H_\theta &= -E_\phi / \eta, \end{aligned}$$

where $J_1(z)$ is the Bessel function of the first order. Nulls of the Bessel function [$J_1(z_n) = 0$] occur at $z_1 = 0, z_2 = 3.87, \dots$

6. Design a linear array of isotropic elements placed along the z axis such that the nulls of the array factor occur at $\theta = 0^\circ, \theta = 90^\circ$ and $\theta = 180^\circ$. Assume that the elements are spaced a distance $d = 3\lambda/4$ apart and that $\beta = 0^\circ$.

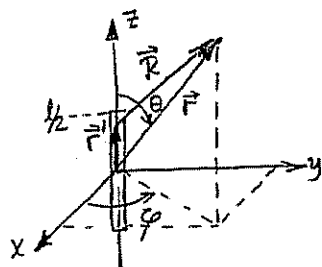
- Sketch and label the visible region on the unit circle.
- Find the required number of elements.
- Determine the excitation coefficients of the elements.

Hint: The array factor of an N -element linear array is given by

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

where $\psi = kd \cos \theta + \beta$. Use the representation $z = e^{j\psi}$.

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$$\vec{A} = \frac{\mu}{4\pi} \int_C \vec{I}_e(x', y', z') \frac{e^{-jkR}}{R} dl'$$

Infinitesimal dipole $\Rightarrow \vec{I}_e = \hat{a}_z I_0$

$\vec{R} = \vec{r} - \vec{r}'$ $\vec{r}' = (x', y', z') = \vec{0}$ for infinitesimal dipole

$R = r$ for phase and amplitude

$$\vec{A} = \hat{a}_z \frac{\mu I_0}{4\pi} \frac{e^{-jkr}}{r} \int_{-l/2}^{l/2} dz' = \hat{a}_z \frac{\mu I_0 l}{4\pi r} e^{-jkr}$$

$$\hat{a}_z = \hat{a}_r \cos \theta - \hat{a}_\theta \sin \theta$$

$$\vec{A} = \frac{\mu I_0 l}{4\pi r} e^{-jkr} (\hat{a}_r \cos \theta - \hat{a}_\theta \sin \theta)$$

$$\vec{H} = \frac{1}{\mu} \nabla \times \vec{A} = \frac{1}{\mu} \left\{ \hat{a}_\phi \frac{1}{r} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r A_\theta) - \frac{\partial A_r}{\partial \theta} \right] \right\} \quad \vec{A} = (A_r, A_\theta, 0)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\mu} \hat{a}_\phi \frac{1}{r} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(-\frac{\mu I_0 l}{4\pi} e^{-jkr} \sin \theta \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\frac{\mu I_0 l}{4\pi r} e^{-jkr} \cos \theta \right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\mu} \hat{a}_\phi \frac{1}{r} \left[\frac{\mu I_0 l}{4\pi} e^{-jkr} (jk \sin \theta) + \frac{\mu I_0 l}{4\pi r} e^{-jkr} \sin \theta \right]$$

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

$$= \hat{a}_\phi jk \frac{I_0 l}{4\pi r} \sin \theta \left[1 + \frac{1}{jkr} \right] e^{-jkr}$$

$$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{j\omega \epsilon} \nabla \times \vec{H} \quad \vec{H} = (0, 0, H_\phi)$$

$$= \frac{1}{j\omega \epsilon} \left\{ \frac{\hat{a}_r}{r \sin \theta} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (H_\phi \sin \theta) \right] + \frac{\hat{a}_\theta}{r} \left[-\frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r H_\phi) \right] \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{j\omega \epsilon} jk \frac{I_0 l}{4\pi} \left\{ \frac{\hat{a}_r}{r \sin \theta} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\frac{1}{r} \sin^2 \theta \left[1 + \frac{1}{jkr} \right] e^{-jkr} \right) \right] + \frac{\hat{a}_\theta}{r} \left[-\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(\sin \theta \left[1 + \frac{1}{jkr} \right] e^{-jkr} \right) \right] \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{j\omega \epsilon} \left\{ \frac{\hat{a}_r}{r \sin \theta} \left[jk \frac{I_0 l}{4\pi r} \left[1 + \frac{1}{jkr} \right] e^{-jkr} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin^2 \theta) \right] + \frac{\hat{a}_\theta}{r} jk \frac{I_0 l}{4\pi} \sin \theta \left[-\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{1}{r} \left[1 + \frac{1}{jkr} \right] e^{-jkr} \right) \right] \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{j\omega \epsilon} jk \frac{I_0 l}{4\pi} \left\{ \frac{\hat{a}_r}{r \sin \theta} \left[1 + \frac{1}{jkr} \right] \frac{e^{-jkr}}{r} 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta - \frac{\hat{a}_\theta}{r} \sin \theta \left[-jk - \frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{jkr^2} \right] e^{-jkr} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{k}{\omega \epsilon} \frac{I_0 l}{4\pi} \left\{ \hat{a}_r \frac{2}{r^2} \left[1 + \frac{1}{jkr} \right] e^{-jkr} \cos \theta + \hat{a}_\theta \frac{jk}{r} \left[1 + \frac{1}{jkr} - \frac{1}{(kr)^2} \right] e^{-jkr} \sin \theta \right\}$$

$$= \underbrace{\hat{a}_r \eta \frac{I_0 l \cos \theta}{2\pi r^2} \left[1 + \frac{1}{jkr} \right] e^{-jkr}}_{E_r} + \underbrace{\hat{a}_\theta j\eta \frac{k I_0 l \sin \theta}{4\pi r} \left[1 + \frac{1}{jkr} - \frac{1}{(kr)^2} \right] e^{-jkr}}_{E_\theta}$$

$$H_\phi = j \frac{k I_0 l \sin \theta}{4\pi r} \left[1 + \frac{1}{jkr} \right] e^{-jkr}$$

$$H_r = H_\theta = E_\phi = 0$$

$$E_r = \eta \frac{I_0 l \cos \theta}{2\pi r^2} \left[1 + \frac{1}{jkr} \right] e^{-jkr}$$

$$E_\theta = j\eta \frac{k I_0 l \sin \theta}{4\pi r} \left[1 + \frac{1}{jkr} - \frac{1}{(kr)^2} \right] e^{-jkr}$$

$$2. \quad E = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\sin^2 \theta \sin \phi} & 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi \\ & 0 \leq \phi \leq \pi \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

$$U(\theta, \phi) = \frac{r^2}{2\eta} |E|^2 \sim \frac{r^2}{2\eta} \sin^2 \theta \sin \phi$$

$$U_{\max} = U(\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \phi = \frac{\pi}{2}) = \frac{r^2}{2\eta}$$

$$U(\theta, \phi) = U_{\max} \sin^2 \theta \sin \phi$$

$$a) \quad D_0 = \frac{4\pi U_{\max}}{P_{\text{rad}}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\text{rad}} &= \oint_{\Omega} U(\theta, \phi) d\Omega = U_{\max} \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin^2 \theta \sin \phi \sin \theta d\theta d\phi \\ &= U_{\max} \int_0^{\pi} (1 - \cos^2 \theta) \sin \theta d\theta \int_0^{\pi} \sin \phi d\phi = U_{\max} \left[-\cos \theta + \frac{\cos^3 \theta}{3} \right]_0^{\pi} \left[-\cos \phi \right]_0^{\pi} \\ &= U_{\max} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} + 1 - \frac{1}{3} \right) (1 + 1) = \frac{8}{3} U_{\max} \end{aligned}$$

$$D_0 = \frac{4\pi U_{\max}}{\frac{8}{3} U_{\max}} = \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

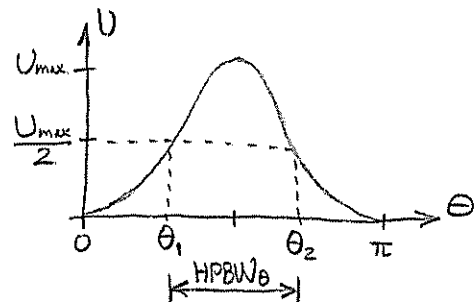
b) For $\phi = 90^\circ = \frac{\pi}{2}$, find HPBW_{θ}

$$\frac{U_{\max}}{2} = U_{\max} \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow \theta_1 = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\theta_2 = \pi - \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

$$\text{HPBW}_{\theta} = \theta_2 - \theta_1 = \frac{\pi}{2}$$



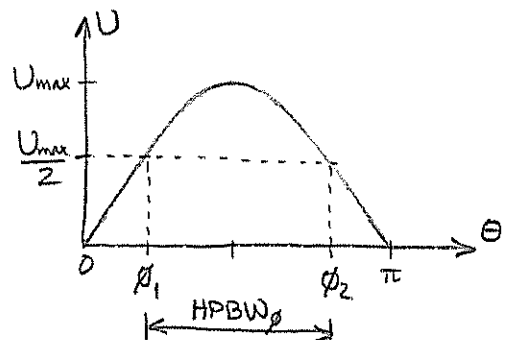
For $\theta = 90^\circ = \frac{\pi}{2}$, find HPBW_{ϕ}

$$\frac{U_{\max}}{2} = U_{\max} \sin \phi$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \phi = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \phi_1 = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\phi_2 = \pi - \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

$$\text{HPBW}_{\phi} = \phi_2 - \phi_1 = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$



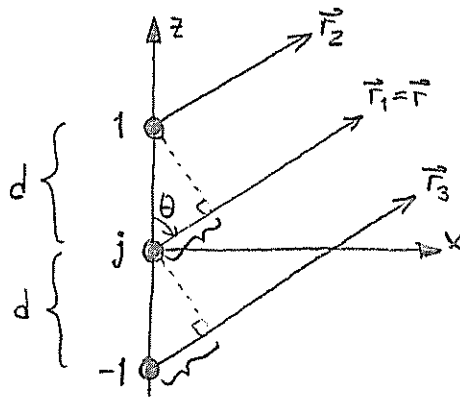
$$\text{Kraus: } D_0 = \frac{4\pi}{\Theta_{1r} \Theta_{2r}}$$

where $\Theta_{1r} = \text{HPBW}_{\theta}$

$\Theta_{2r} = \text{HPBW}_{\phi}$

$$D_0 = \frac{4\pi}{\frac{\pi}{2} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{3}} = \frac{12}{\pi}$$

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$$d = \lambda/2$$

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

a) Far-field approximation:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} r_1 &= r \\ r_2 &\approx r - d \cos \theta \\ r_3 &\approx r + d \cos \theta \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ for phases}$$

$$r_2 \approx r_3 \approx r_1 = r \quad \text{for amplitudes}$$

$$E \sim \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \frac{e^{-jkr_n}}{r_n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} AF &= j + e^{jkd \cos \theta} - e^{-jkd \cos \theta} = j + 2j \sin(kd \cos \theta) \\ &= j[1 + 2 \sin(kd \cos \theta)] = j[1 + 2 \sin(\pi \cos \theta)] \end{aligned}$$

b) Nulls when $AF=0 \Rightarrow 1 + 2 \sin(\pi \cos \theta) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(\pi \cos \theta) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi \cos \theta = -\frac{\pi}{6} + n \cdot 2\pi$$

$$\text{or } \pi \cos \theta = \pi - \left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right) + n \cdot 2\pi \quad n=0, \pm 1, \dots$$

$$= \frac{7\pi}{6} + n \cdot 2\pi$$

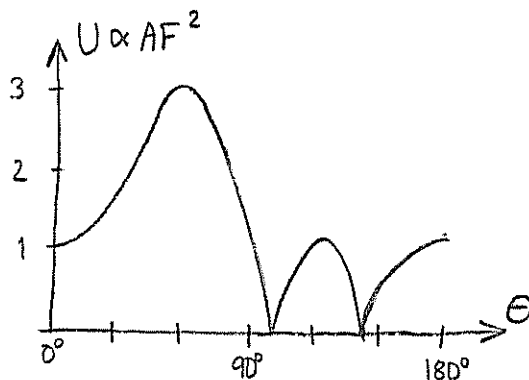
$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = -\frac{1}{6} + n \cdot 2, \quad n=0$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{7}{6} + \underbrace{n \cdot 2}_{-1} = -\frac{5}{6}$$

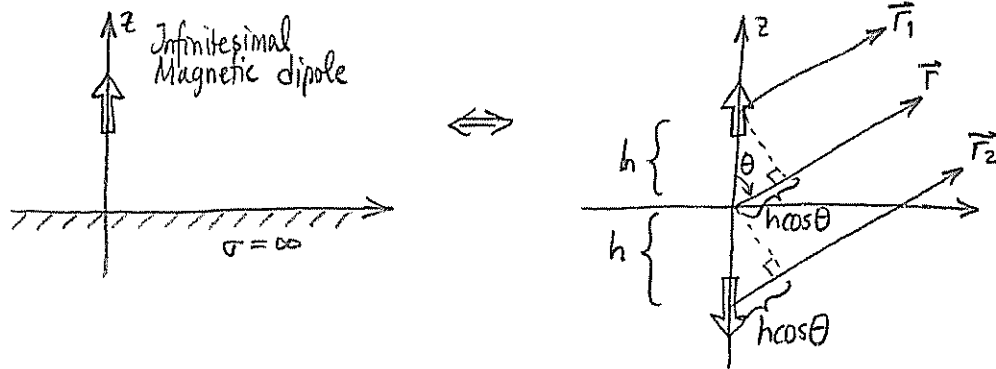
$$\Rightarrow \theta = (\pm) 99.6^\circ$$

$$\theta = (\pm) 146.4^\circ$$

Nulls at $\theta = 99.6^\circ$ and 146.4°



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Fields from a vertical infinitesimal electric dipole

$$\begin{cases} E_\theta = j\eta \frac{k I_0 l}{4\pi r} e^{-jkr} \sin\theta \\ H_\phi = E_\theta / \eta \end{cases}$$

Duality $\Rightarrow$ fields from an infinitesimal magnetic dipole $\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \vec{E} \rightarrow \vec{H}^{(m)} \\ \vec{H} \rightarrow -\vec{E}^{(m)} \\ \vec{I}_e \rightarrow \vec{I}_m \\ \eta \rightarrow 1/\eta \end{cases}$

$$E_\phi = -j \frac{k I_m l}{4\pi r} e^{-jkr} \sin\theta$$

Take into account the mirror source

$$E_\phi = E_\phi^{(1)} + R E_\phi^{(2)}$$

where

$$E_\phi^{(1)} = -j \frac{k I_m l}{4\pi r_1} e^{-jkr_1} \sin\theta$$

$$E_\phi^{(2)} = -j \frac{k I_m l}{4\pi r_2} e^{-jkr_2} \sin\theta$$

$$R = -1$$

Far-field approximation

$$\left. \begin{aligned} r_1 &\approx r - h \cos\theta \\ r_2 &\approx r + h \cos\theta \end{aligned} \right\} \text{for phases}$$

$$r_1 \approx r_2 \approx r \quad \text{for amplitudes}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_\phi &= -j \frac{k I_m l}{4\pi r} e^{-jkr} \sin\theta \left(e^{jkh \cos\theta} - e^{-jkh \cos\theta} \right) \\ &= \frac{k I_m l}{2\pi r} e^{-jkr} \sin\theta \sin(kh \cos\theta) \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{H} = \frac{1}{\eta} \hat{k} \times \vec{E} = \frac{1}{\eta} \hat{r} \times \vec{E} = \frac{1}{\eta} \hat{r} \times \hat{\phi} E_\phi = -\frac{E_\phi}{\eta} \hat{\theta}$$

$$H_\theta = -\frac{k I_m l}{2\pi \eta r} e^{-jkr} \sin\theta \sin(kh \cos\theta)$$

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$$\text{Null} \Rightarrow J_1(ka \sin \theta) = 0$$

Nulls at $\theta = 0^\circ, 60^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow ka \sin \theta = 0; 3.87; \dots$$

a) First null of J_1 : $ka \sin \theta = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \theta_1 = 0^\circ, \theta_2 = 180^\circ - 0^\circ = 180^\circ$$

2nd null of J_1 : $ka \sin 60^\circ = 3.87$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{3.87}{k \sin 60^\circ} = \frac{3.87 \lambda}{2\pi \cdot \sqrt{3}/2} = \underline{\underline{0.711 \lambda}}$$

In general $\sin \theta_3 = \frac{3.87}{ka} = \frac{3.87 \lambda}{2\pi a}$

$$\Rightarrow \theta_3 = \arcsin\left(\frac{3.87 \lambda}{2\pi a}\right) = 60^\circ$$

and

$$\theta_4 = 180^\circ - \theta_3 = 180^\circ - 60^\circ = 120^\circ$$

In total four nulls at $\theta = 0^\circ, 60^\circ, 120^\circ$ and 180°

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Nulls of AF at $\theta = 0^\circ, 90^\circ, 180^\circ$

$$d = 3\lambda/4$$

$$\beta = 0$$

$$a) \text{ AF} = \sum_{n=1}^N a_n e^{j(n-1)\psi} \quad \text{Set } z = e^{j\psi}$$

$$\text{AF} = \sum_{n=1}^N a_n z^{n-1} = a_1 + a_2 z + a_3 z^2 + \dots + a_N z^{N-1} \\ = (z - z_1)(z - z_2) \dots (z - z_{N-1}) \quad \text{where } z_n \text{ are nulls of the AF}$$

$$\psi = kd \cos \theta + \beta = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \frac{3\lambda}{4} \cos \theta + 0 = \frac{3\pi}{2} \cos \theta$$

$$\theta = 0^\circ \Rightarrow \psi(\theta = 0^\circ) = \frac{3\pi}{2} \quad (= -\frac{\pi}{2})$$

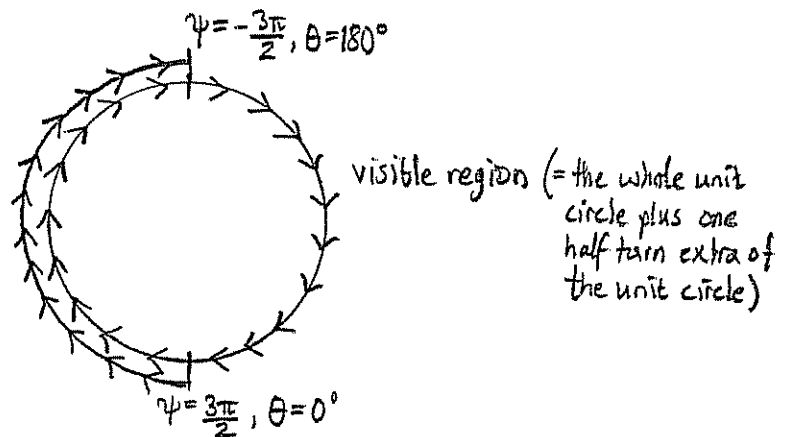
$$\theta = 90^\circ \Rightarrow \psi(\theta = 90^\circ) = 0$$

$$\theta = 180^\circ \Rightarrow \psi(\theta = 180^\circ) = -\frac{3\pi}{2} \quad (= \frac{\pi}{2})$$

When θ varies from 0° to 180° , ψ varies from $\frac{3\pi}{2}$, through 0 and ends at $-\frac{3\pi}{2}$. The visible region is $\frac{3\pi}{2} \geq \psi \geq -\frac{3\pi}{2}$ for $0 \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$

$$z = e^{j\psi}$$

$$|z| = 1 \Rightarrow \text{unit circle}$$



b) Nulls:

$$\theta_1 = 0 \Rightarrow \psi_1 = \frac{3\pi}{2} \cos 0 = \frac{3\pi}{2} \Rightarrow z_1 = e^{j\psi_1} = e^{j\frac{3\pi}{2}} = e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}} = -j$$

$$\theta_2 = \pi/2 \Rightarrow \psi_2 = \frac{3\pi}{2} \cos \frac{\pi}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow z_2 = e^{j\psi_2} = e^{j0} = 1$$

$$\theta_3 = \pi \Rightarrow \psi_3 = \frac{3\pi}{2} \cos \pi = -\frac{3\pi}{2} \Rightarrow z_3 = e^{j\psi_3} = e^{-j\frac{3\pi}{2}} = e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}} = j$$

$$\text{AF} = (z - z_1)(z - z_2)(z - z_3) = a_1 + a_2 z + a_3 z^2 + z^3 = \text{Eq with 3 roots (nulls)} \\ \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{4 \text{ elements required}}}$$

$$c) \text{ AF} = (z - z_1)(z - z_2)(z - z_3) = \dots = \\ = z^3 - z^2(z_1 + z_2 + z_3) + z(z_1 z_2 + z_2 z_3 + z_3 z_1) - z_1 z_2 z_3$$

$$a_1 = -z_1 z_2 z_3 = -(-j) \cdot 1 \cdot j = -1$$

$$a_2 = z_1 z_2 + z_2 z_3 + z_3 z_1 = -j \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot j + j(-j) = -j + j + 1 = 1$$

$$a_3 = -(z_1 + z_2 + z_3) = -(-j + 1 + j) = -1$$

$$a_4 = 1$$