



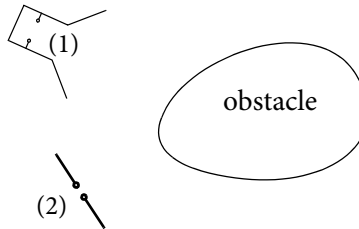
24.8200 Engineering Electromagnetics

ASSIGNMENT 8

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- 1) (Harrington: Problem 3-24) Let the figure below represent two antennas in the presence of an obstacle. Let V_1 be the voltage received at antenna 1 when a unit current source is applied at antenna 2 and V_2 be the voltage received at antenna 2 when a unit current source is applied at antenna 1. Let V_1^i and V_2^i be the corresponding voltages when the obstacle is absent. Define the scattered voltages as $V^s = V - V^i$ and show that $V_1^s = V_2^s$.



- 2) (Harrington: Problem 3-20) Consider a rectangular PEC plate in the yz -plane of width a in the y -direction and b in the z -direction, centred at the origin. Let the incident plane-wave, polarized in the z -direction, be specified by $E_z^i = E_0 e^{jk(x \cos \phi_0 + y \sin \phi_0)}$, where ϕ_0 is a constant angle measuring the angle of incidence from the z -axis. Use the induction theorem with the same approximation as was used in the problem of Fig. 3-17, and show that at large r , *i.e.*, the distance from the origin, the scattered field in the xy -plane is

$$E_z(r, \phi)^s \approx \frac{kE_0abe^{-jkr}}{j2\pi r} \frac{\sin[k(a/2)(\sin \phi_0 + \sin \phi)]}{k(a/2)(\sin \phi_0 + \sin \phi)} \cos \phi,$$

where ϕ is the angle measured from the z -axis. Show that the echo area is

$$A_e \approx 4\pi \left[\frac{ab(\cos \phi_0 \sin ka \sin \phi_0)}{\lambda ka \sin \phi_0} \right]^2.$$

[Harrington, on p. 116, defines echo area thus: “The *echo area* or *radar cross section* of an obstacle is defined as the area for which the incident wave contains sufficient power to produce, by omnidirectional radiation, the same back-scattered power density. In mathematical form, the echo area is

$$A_e = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} (4\pi r^2 \bar{S}^s / \bar{S}^i).$$

Where \bar{S}^i is the incident power density and \bar{S}^s is the scattered power density.”]