

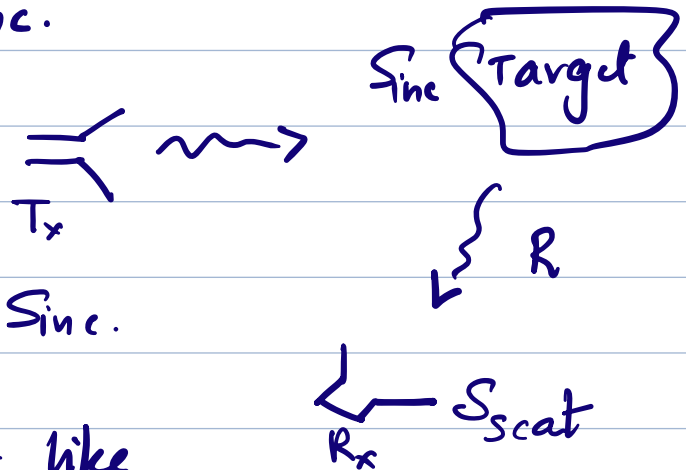
→ From here very easy to include scattering objects → Friis Radar Range Eqn.

First, a defn: Radar cross-section.

Like the effective area of an ant:

Recall: $A_e = \frac{P_{load}}{S_{inc}}$

This is the scene:



Here "P_{load}" = $\sigma \times S_{inc}$.

Then the target acts like an isotropic source,

$$S_{scat} = \frac{\text{"P}_{load}}{4\pi R^2} = \frac{\sigma S_{inc}}{4\pi R^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma = \frac{4\pi R^2 S_{scat}}{S_{inc}} \quad \underline{\underline{\text{defn}}}$$

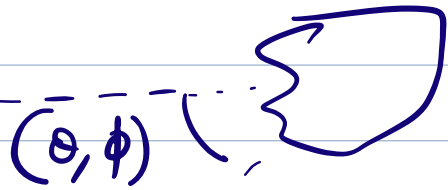
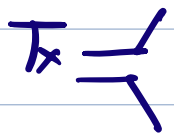
Actually, $\sigma = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} 4\pi R^2 \frac{S_{scat}}{S_{inc}}$

$$= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left[4\pi R^2 \frac{|E_{scat}|^2}{|E_{inc}|^2} \right]$$

Note: Escat will itself be $\propto 1/R$, so

σ will not depend on R .

In general



$$\sigma(\theta, \phi) = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4\pi R^2 |E_s(\theta, \phi)|^2}{|E_i|^2}$$



\updownarrow T_x & R_x co-located \rightarrow monostatic RCS
 \updownarrow not co-located \rightarrow bistatic RCS

units? $\sigma \rightarrow m^2$ or dBsm (dB per sq m)

3 options

i.e. $10 \log\left(\frac{\sigma}{1 m^2}\right)$

or dB (RCS per λ^2)

i.e. $10 \log\left(\frac{\sigma}{\lambda^2}\right)$

Some typical values:
in dBsm

jumbo jet	: 20
fighter jet	: 7-8
human	: 0
missile	: -3
drone	: -20
stealth jet	: -60

Typical radars,
anywhere from
1 to 40 GHz

→ Scattering cross-section of a R_x antenna. (a timely topic)

Motivation: we have seen how in the case of an R_x antenna, apart from power delivered ($\frac{1}{2} |I|^2 R_L$) we also have re-radiated (or scattered) power ($\frac{1}{2} |I|^2 R_r$).

Q: What is the RCS of an R_x antenna?
Does it depend on → Antenna geometry?
→ Antenna load?

① First we need a bridge between Maxwell's eqns & ckt theory because in ME we do not talk of voltages, but the tx/ R_x models of antennas have voltages.

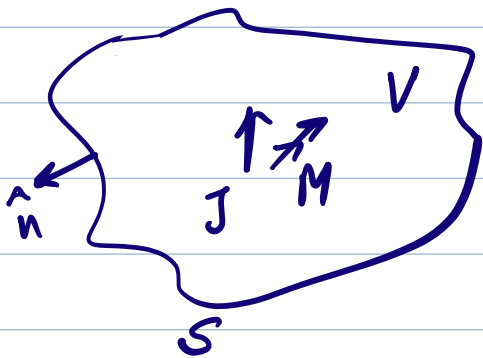
Here comes the feed gap model: Antenna terminals modelled as a gap of width δ in the conductor, across this gap a tangential E_{gap} can exist. So the "terminal voltage" is defined as
$$V = - \int_{\delta} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l}$$

Everywhere else on the PEC surface of the antenna: $\hat{n} \times \vec{E} = 0$.

∴ In terms of B.C? We are specifying the value of $\hat{n} \times \vec{E}$ everywhere.

② The second supplementary concept is about the use of superposition theorem in EM.

Consider a volume V , bounded by S with sources (impressed) J, M , material properties $\epsilon_r(r), \mu_r(r)$, and $\hat{n} \times \vec{E} / \hat{n} \times \vec{H}$ specified everywhere on S . This is a complete setup to give unique fields everywhere in V .



① Maxwell's eqns have operators such as $\nabla \times$ and $\nabla \cdot$. These are linear. \Rightarrow

$$\nabla \times (a+b) = \nabla \times a + \nabla \times b \quad \text{and} \\ \nabla \cdot (a+b) = \nabla \cdot a + \nabla \cdot b.$$

② Boundary conditions are also linear operators, as they are just $\hat{n} \times$

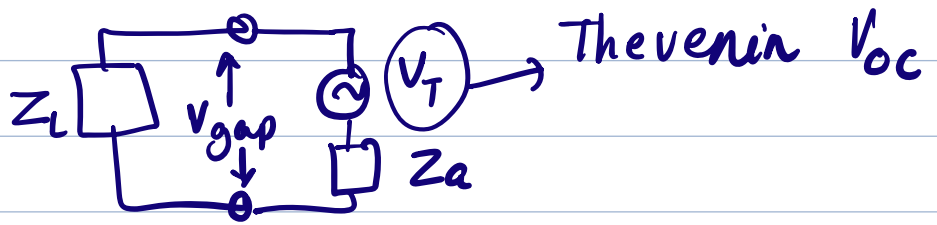
$$\Rightarrow \hat{n} \times (\vec{a} + \vec{b}) = \hat{n} \times \vec{a} + \hat{n} \times \vec{b}$$

③ Material properties are not linear operators since they appear as multiplications with E or H : $\epsilon_r E, \mu_r H$.

\rightarrow Consider three problems in same V, S .

	①	②	① - ②
Sources	J_1, M_1	J_2, M_2	$J_1 - J_2, M_1 - M_2$
Mat.	ϵ_r, μ_r	ϵ_r, μ_r	ϵ_r, μ_r
B.C.	$\hat{n} \times \vec{E}_1(r) = \vec{f}_1(r)$	$\hat{n} \times \vec{E}_2(r) = \vec{f}_2(r)$	$\hat{n} \times (\vec{E}_1 - \vec{E}_2) = \vec{f}_1 - \vec{f}_2$
fields	\vec{E}_1, \vec{H}_1	\vec{E}_2, \vec{H}_2	$\vec{E}_1 - \vec{E}_2, \vec{H}_1 - \vec{H}_2$

Superposition problem can have different B.C.



③ Now consider an antenna & 3 different problems on the same structure

(a) Rx mode, short ckted load; i.e. $Z_L = 0$.
boundary conds & sources?

→ $\vec{n} \times \vec{E} = 0$, everywhere (including gap)

→ \vec{J}_{inc} produces E_{inc}

→ Induced I_s .

total field: $E_a = E_{inc} + E_s(0)$
outside

indicates load

Corresponds to $\frac{1}{2} |I|^2 R_r$.

$$I_s = V_T / Z_a. (\because Z_L = 0)$$

(b) Tx mode with no \vec{J}_{inc} .
boundary conds?

→ $\vec{n} \times \vec{E}_b = 0$ everywhere on PEC

$\vec{n} \times \vec{E}_b = \vec{n} \times \vec{E}_{gap}$ in the gap

we specify.

→ Some induced current I_t flows in ant

Total field outside: $E_b = E_t, (\propto I_t)$

(c) Rx mode, with a load. Z_L across the terminals.

\Rightarrow Current I_L flows & we get a gap voltage $V_L = I_L Z_L$, where

$$V_L = -\int \vec{E}_{\text{gap}} \cdot d\vec{l}$$

boundary conds?

- $\rightarrow n \times E_c = 0$ on the PEC away from gap
- \rightarrow At the gap $n \times E_{\text{gap}}$ with $V_L = -\int \vec{E}_{\text{gap}} \cdot d\vec{l}$
- $\rightarrow J_{\text{inc}}$
- \rightarrow Induced current I_L .

Total field $E_c = E_{\text{inc}} + E_s(z_L)$

④ Now the key thought expt: subtract case c & case a. Linearity of ME allows us to do this.

- $\Delta E = E_c - E_a$, $\bar{J}_{\text{inc}} = 0$
- \therefore Induced current = $I_L - I_s$
- $n \times \Delta E$? Outside gap $n \times \Delta E = 0$
(due to PEC)

Inside the gap? $n \times E_a = 0$
 $n \times E_c \neq 0$ due to V_L
 $\Rightarrow n \times \Delta E \neq 0$ which looks like V_L .

In summary :- no incidence
 - impressed \mathcal{E} field at gap
 PEC b.c. everywhere else.

\Rightarrow Doesn't this look like problem ⑥?

YES! By uniqueness thm, we can say the fields are same!

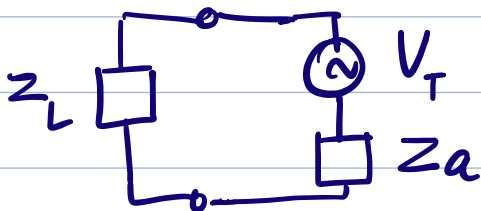
Any charges? Only the current.

In problem (b) $\rightarrow E_t$ came from I_t

In diff problem (c) - (a) $\rightarrow I = I_L - I_s$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta E = \frac{I_L - I_s}{I_t} E_t .$$

⑤ Now let's come back to the main problem.



where Z_L : load
and $Z_a = (R_s + R_L) + jX_a$

Case 1: No load at terminal: $Z_L = 0$
(short ckt) $I_s = \frac{V_T}{Z_a}$

Case 2: Load at the terminal: Z_L
 $\Rightarrow I_L = \frac{V_T}{Z_L + Z_a} = I_s \frac{Z_a}{Z_L + Z_a}$

Now the crucial step: Rewrite I_L
and think of super position.

$$I_L = I_s + (I_L - I_s)$$

current flowing
in ckt with Z_L

short ckt
current,
no Z_L

Balance
current

$$I_L - I_S = I_S \frac{Z_a}{Z_a + Z_L} - I_S = \frac{-Z_L I_S}{Z_L + Z_a}$$

⇒ fields due to these currents

$$E_s(z_L) = E_s(0) + \frac{I_L - I_S}{I_t} E_t$$

$$E_s(z_L) = E_s(0) - \frac{I_S Z_L}{I_t Z_L + Z_a} E_t \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

↑
fields when s.c. load
↙ fields when non s.c. load.

The above is one complete formulation as it separates into no load & load scattering terms.

⑥ Another common way to peel the carrot:
Say that we terminate the antenna with a load for optimal power tx, i.e. $Z_L = Z_a^*$. Then:

$$E_s(Z_a^*) = E_s(0) - \frac{I_S}{I_t} \frac{Z_a^*}{Z_a + Z_a^*} E_t \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Now subtract ② & ①

$$E_s(z_L) = E_s(z_a^*) - \frac{I_S}{I_t} E_t \left(\frac{Z_a^*}{Z_a + Z_a^*} - \frac{Z_L}{Z_L + Z_a} \right)$$

Interpretation? First term: Structural scattering, doesn't depend on load, only on antenna geom.

Second term: Antenna mode scattering

- since proportional to E_t .
- depends on load.

Note: Vanishes when $Z_L = Z_a^*$.

From here, the usual defn of σ follows

$$\sigma = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4\pi R^2 |E_s(z)|^2}{|E_i|^2}$$

and it clearly depends on both geometry & load.