

# EE540 Advance Electromagnetic Theory & Antennas

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# Aperture antennas

- **Far Fields of aperture antenna**
- Step 1:
  - Establish the EM fields specified on the aperture surface
- Step 2:
  - Calculate the 2-D FT of the aperture fields
- Step 3:
  - Find the far field electric fields from equations (24.1) and (24.2),
  - Far field magnetic fields can be found from the electric field (if required) from 
$$\vec{H}_{ff} = \frac{\hat{r} \times \vec{E}_{ff}}{\eta}$$

# Aperture antennas

- Radiation from Uniform rectangular aperture

- $$\vec{E}_a = E_{ay}\hat{y} = \begin{cases} E_0\hat{y}, & |x| \leq \frac{L_x}{2}, |y| \leq \frac{L_y}{2}, z = 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Hence, from equations (24.1) and (24.2), we have,

- $$E_{ff\theta} \cong 2 \frac{j\beta e^{-j\beta r}}{4\pi r} [(\tilde{E}_{ay} \sin\phi)]$$

and 
$$E_{ff\phi} \cong 2 \frac{j\beta e^{-j\beta r}}{4\pi r} [(\tilde{E}_{ay} \cos\theta \cos\phi)]$$

- Why this factor of 2?

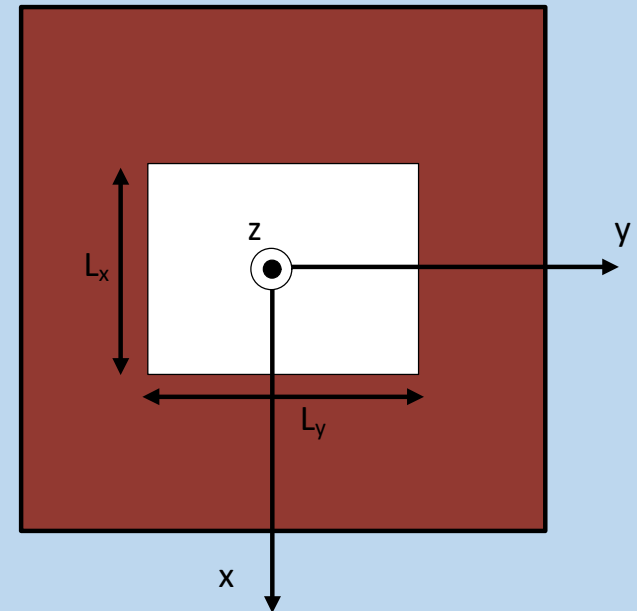


Fig. Uniform rectangular aperture (uniform amplitude and phase of the aperture field)

# Electromagnetic Theorems and Concepts



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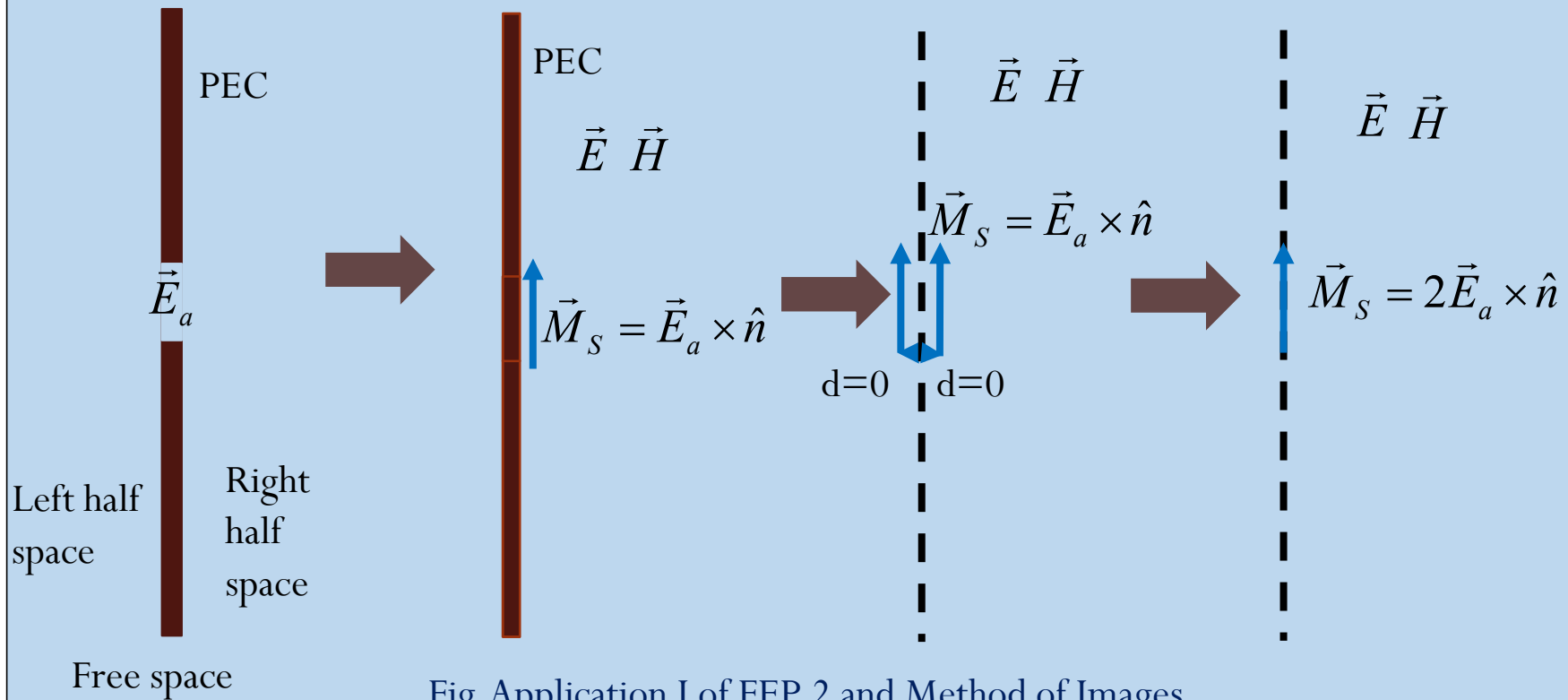


Fig. Application I of FEP 2 and Method of Images

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- Let us find the 2 – D FT of the aperture field,

- $$\tilde{E}_{ay} = \int_{-\frac{L_y}{2}}^{\frac{L_y}{2}} \int_{-\frac{L_x}{2}}^{\frac{L_x}{2}} E_0 e^{(j\beta_x x' + j\beta_y y')} dx' dy'$$

$$= E_0 \int_{-\frac{L_x}{2}}^{\frac{L_x}{2}} e^{(j\beta_x x')} dx' \int_{-\frac{L_y}{2}}^{\frac{L_y}{2}} e^{(j\beta_y y')} dy'$$

$$= E_0 \left\{ \frac{e\left(j\beta_x \frac{L_x}{2}\right) - e\left(-j\beta_x \frac{L_x}{2}\right)}{j\beta_x} \right\} \left\{ \frac{e\left(j\beta_y \frac{L_y}{2}\right) - e\left(-j\beta_y \frac{L_y}{2}\right)}{j\beta_y} \right\}$$

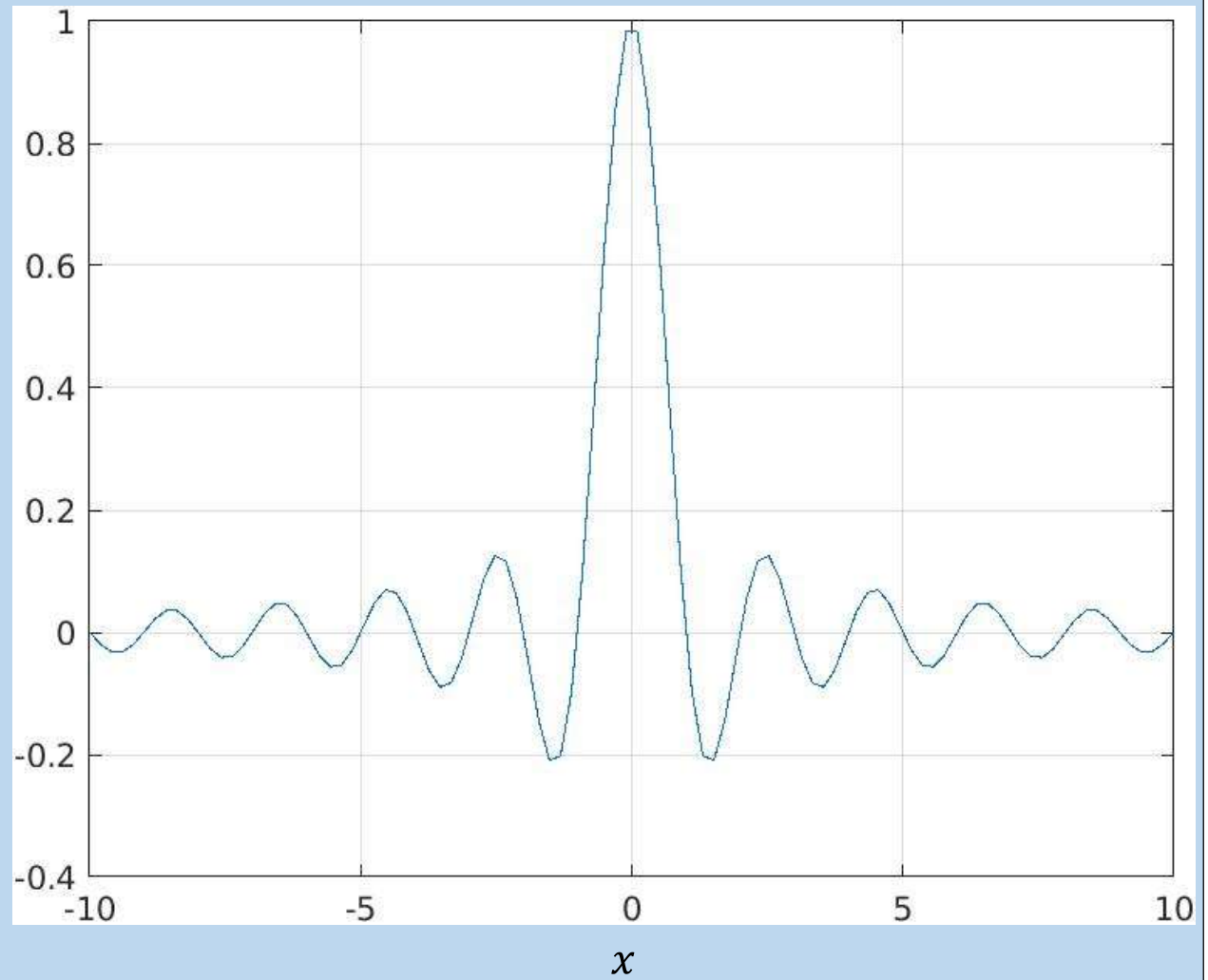
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$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{E}_{ay} &= 4E_0 \frac{1}{\beta_x} \left\{ \frac{e^{(j\beta_x \frac{L_x}{2})} - e^{(-j\beta_x \frac{L_x}{2})}}{2j} \right\} \frac{1}{\beta_y} \left\{ \frac{e^{(j\beta_y \frac{L_y}{2})} - e^{(-j\beta_y \frac{L_y}{2})}}{2j} \right\} \\ &= 4E_0 \left( \frac{\sin \beta_x \frac{L_x}{2}}{\beta_x} \right) \left( \frac{\sin \beta_y \frac{L_y}{2}}{\beta_y} \right) = 4E_0 \frac{L_x}{2} \left( \frac{\sin \beta_x \frac{L_x}{2}}{\beta_x \frac{L_x}{2}} \right) \frac{L_y}{2} \left( \frac{\sin \beta_y \frac{L_y}{2}}{\beta_y \frac{L_y}{2}} \right) \\ &= E_0 L_x L_y \operatorname{sinc} \left( \beta_x \frac{L_x}{2} \right) \operatorname{sinc} \left( \beta_y \frac{L_y}{2} \right)\end{aligned}$$

- where  $\vec{\beta} = \beta_x \hat{x} + \beta_y \hat{y} + \beta_z \hat{z}$  and
- $\beta_x = \beta \sin \theta \cos \phi$ ,  $\beta_y = \beta \sin \theta \sin \phi$ ,  $\beta_z = \beta \cos \theta$

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- Fig. Sinc function  $Sinc(x)$



# Aperture antennas

- *E*-plane (electric is maximum along *y*-axis, hence *y*-*z* plane,  $\phi = \frac{\pi}{2}$ )
- $\tilde{E}_{ay} = E_0 L_x L_y \text{sinc}\left(\beta_x \frac{L_x}{2}\right) \text{sinc}\left(\beta_y \frac{L_y}{2}\right)$
- where  $\beta_x = 0$  and  $\beta_y = \beta \sin\theta$
- Since  $\text{sinc}\left(\beta_x \frac{L_x}{2}\right) = 1$ ,  $\text{sinc}\left(\beta_y \frac{L_y}{2}\right) = \text{sinc}\left(\beta \sin\theta \frac{L_y}{2}\right)$ , then
- $E_{ff\theta} \cong 2 \frac{j\beta e^{-j\beta r}}{4\pi r} [(\tilde{E}_{ay} \sin\phi)] =$   
 $\frac{j\beta e^{-j\beta r}}{2\pi r} \left[ E_0 L_x L_y \text{sinc}\left(\beta \sin\theta \frac{L_y}{2}\right) \right]$
- and  $E_{ff\phi} \cong 2 \frac{j\beta e^{-j\beta r}}{4\pi r} [(\tilde{E}_{ay} \cos\theta \cos\phi)] = 0$



# Aperture antennas

- *H-plane* ( $x$ - $z$  plane,  $\phi = 0$ )
- $\tilde{E}_{ay} = E_0 L_x L_y \text{sinc} \left( \beta_x \frac{L_x}{2} \right) \text{sinc} \left( \beta_y \frac{L_y}{2} \right)$
- where  $\beta_x = \beta \sin \theta$  and  $\beta_y = 0$
- $\tilde{E}_{ay} = E_0 L_x L_y \text{sinc} \left( \beta \sin \theta \frac{L_x}{2} \right)$

- $E_{ff\theta} \cong 2 \frac{j\beta e^{-j\beta r}}{4\pi r} [(\tilde{E}_{ay} \sin \phi)] = 0$

and  $E_{ff\phi} \cong 2 \frac{j\beta e^{-j\beta r}}{4\pi r} [(\tilde{E}_{ay} \cos \theta \cos \phi)]$

$$= \frac{j\beta e^{-j\beta r}}{2\pi r} \left[ \left( E_0 L_x L_y \cos \theta \text{sinc} \left( \beta \sin \theta \frac{L_x}{2} \right) \right) \right]$$

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- Considering E-plane and maximum for  $\theta = 0$
- $E_{ff\theta} \cong \frac{j\beta e^{(-j\beta r)}}{2\pi r} \left[ E_0 L_x L_y \text{sinc} \left( \beta \sin\theta \frac{L_y}{2} \right) \right]$
- Nulls occur at  $\beta \frac{L_y}{2} \sin\theta_n = n\pi, n = 1, 2, \dots$
- Thus  $\sin\theta_n = \frac{n\pi}{\beta \frac{L_y}{2}} = \frac{n\lambda}{L_y}$
- $BWFN_{E\text{-plane}} = 2\sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\lambda}{L_y} \right) \text{ rad} =$   
 $114.59 \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\lambda}{L_y} \right) \text{ degrees}$
- Similarly,  $BWFN_{H\text{-plane}} = 114.59 \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\lambda}{L_x} \right) \text{ degrees}$

# Aperture antennas

- For HPBW,  $\text{sinc}^2 \left( \beta \sin\theta \frac{L_y}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{2}$
- $\beta \sin\theta \frac{L_y}{2} = 1.391 \Rightarrow \sin\theta = 1.391 \frac{\lambda}{\pi L_y} = \frac{0.443\lambda}{L_y}$
- $HPBW_{E\text{-plane}} = 2\sin^{-1} \left( \frac{0.443\lambda}{L_y} \right) \text{ rad}$   
 $= 114.59\sin^{-1} \left( \frac{0.443\lambda}{L_y} \right) \text{ degrees}$
- Similarly,
- $HPBW_{H\text{-plane}} = 114.59\sin^{-1} \left( \frac{0.443\lambda}{L_x} \right) \text{ degrees}$
- It is inversely proportional to length in the corresponding cutting plane

# Aperture antennas

- How do one calculate the directivity (for main beam in broadside direction of the aperture)?

- $$D = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda^2} \frac{\left| \iint_{S_a} \vec{E}_a ds' \right|^2}{\iint_{S_a} |\vec{E}_a|^2 ds'}$$

- For uniform rectangular aperture

$$\vec{E}_a = E_{ay} \hat{y} = \begin{cases} E_0 \hat{y}, & |x| \leq \frac{L_x}{2}, |y| \leq \frac{L_y}{2}, z = 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Hence  $D = \frac{4\pi L_x L_y}{\lambda^2}$
- SLL is greater than -13.26 dB (Proof is given in next slide)

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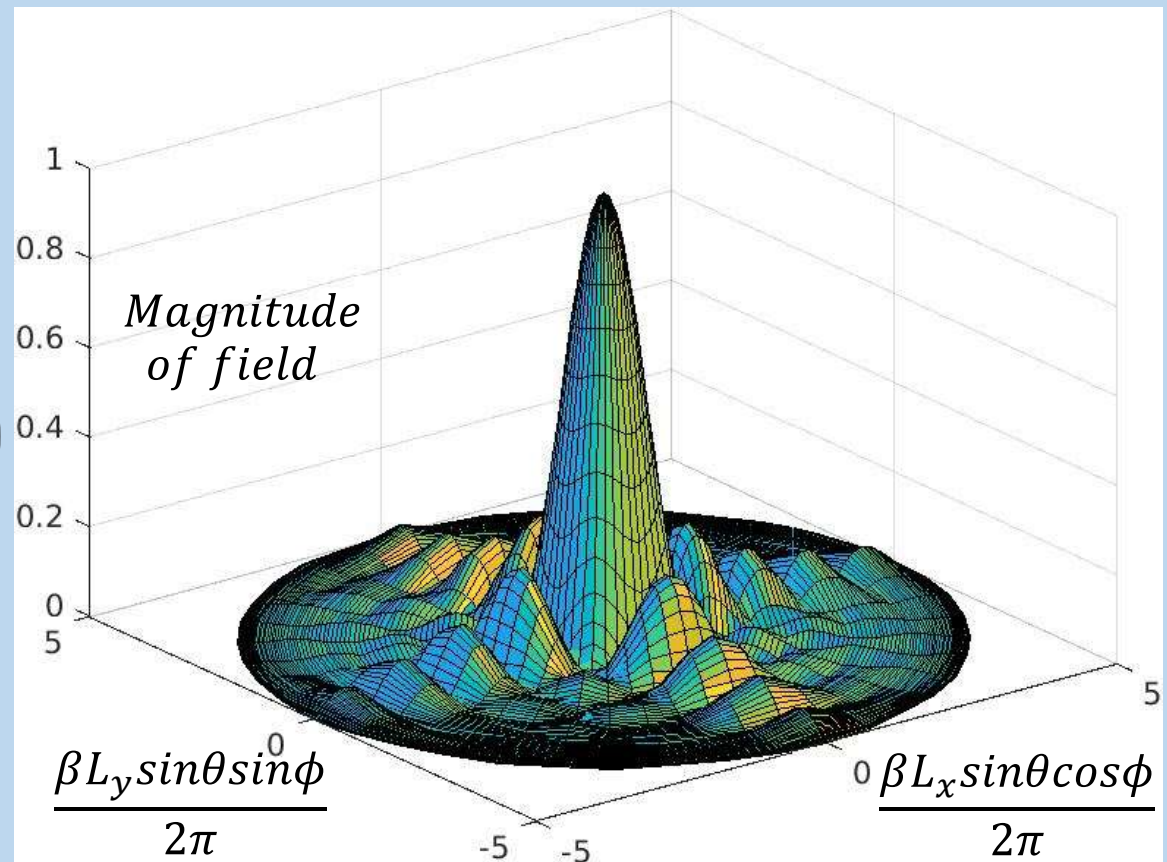
- It is a sinc function, to find the maxima
- $\frac{d}{d} \left( \frac{\sin x}{x} \right) = \frac{x \cos x - \sin x}{x^2} = 0$
- First maxima solution:  $x = 0$
- is for the main beam
- Second maxima solution:  $x \cong 4.5$
- The value of the second maxima
- $\left| \frac{\sin 4.5}{4.5} \right| = 0.217$
- In dB,
- $20 \log(0.217) = -13.26 \text{ dB}$

# Aperture antennas

Fig. Radiation pattern of a uniform rectangular aperture of dimension  $5\lambda \times 5\lambda$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} -\frac{L_x}{\lambda} \leq \frac{\beta L_x \sin\theta \cos\phi}{2\pi} \leq \frac{L_x}{\lambda}, \\ -\frac{L_y}{\lambda} \leq \frac{\beta L_y \sin\theta \sin\phi}{2\pi} \leq \frac{L_y}{\lambda} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\left( 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, 0 \leq \phi \leq 2\pi \right)$$



$$\frac{1}{L_x^2} \left( \frac{\beta L_x \sin\theta \cos\phi}{2\pi} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{L_y^2} \left( \frac{\beta L_y \sin\theta \sin\phi}{2\pi} \right)^2 \leq \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$$

# Aperture antennas

- Uniform circular aperture

- $$\vec{E}_a = \begin{cases} E_0 \hat{y}, & \rho' \leq a \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Let us find the 2 – D FT
  - of the aperture field,

- $\tilde{E}_a(\beta_x, \beta_y)$

- $$= \iint E_a(x', y') e^{(j\beta_x x' + j\beta_y y')} dx' dy'$$

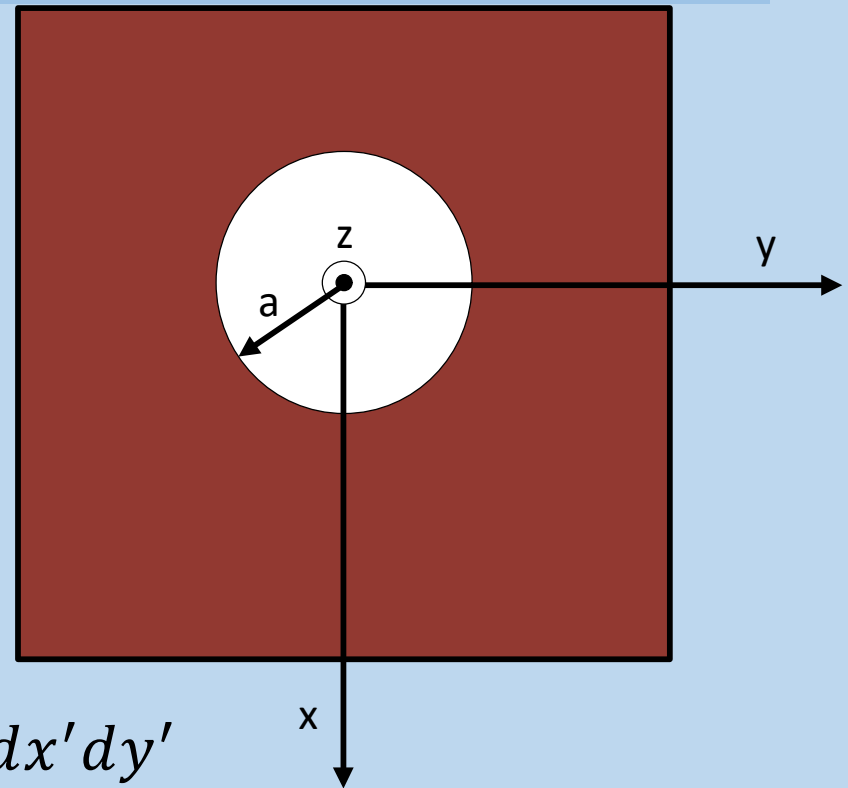


Fig. Circular aperture of radius a in x-y plane

# Aperture antennas

- Better to change to
  - spherical coordinates
- $x' = r' \sin\theta' \cos\phi'$  and  $y' = r' \sin\theta' \sin\phi'$
- Since aperture is in x-y plane, we have,  $\theta' = \frac{\pi}{2}$ , hence
- $x' = r' \cos\phi'$  and  $y' = r' \sin\phi'$
- We know that,
- $\beta_x = \beta \sin\theta \cos\phi$  and  $\beta_y = \beta \sin\theta \sin\phi$
- Hence,
- $$\beta_x x' + \beta_y y' = \beta r' \sin\theta \cos\phi \cos\phi' + \beta r' \sin\theta \sin\phi \sin\phi'$$
$$= \beta r' \sin\theta \cos(\phi - \phi')$$



# Aperture antennas

- We also know that area element in x-y plane  $dx' dy' = d\phi' r' dr'$
- Hence
- $\tilde{E}_a(\beta \sin\theta \cos\phi, \beta \sin\theta \sin\phi) = \int_0^a \int_0^{2\pi} E_a(r', \phi') e^{j\beta r' \sin\theta \cos(\phi - \phi')} d\phi' r' dr'$
- For aperture field distribution with circular symmetry (no field variation w.r.t.  $\phi'$ ),
- $E_a(r', \phi') = E_a(r')$
- Then
- $\tilde{E}_a(\theta, \phi) = \int_0^a \left( \int_0^{2\pi} e^{j\beta r' \sin\theta \cos(\phi - \phi')} d\phi' \right) E_a(r') r' dr'$

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- Note that the inner integral looks like Bessel's integral
- and gives  $2\pi$  times the Bessel's function of first kind
- and of zero order
- Hence,
- $\tilde{E}_a(\theta, \phi) = \int_0^a 2\pi J_0(\beta r' \sin\theta) E_a(r') r' dr'$
- Recall that  $J_0$  is like a cosine function
- but with irregular roots and amplitude taper

# Aperture antennas

- For uniform distribution,
- $E_a(r') = E_0$  along y direction
- $\tilde{E}_{ay}(\theta, \phi) = 2\pi E_0 \int_0^a r' J_0(\beta r' \sin\theta) dr'$
- Using the Bessel's identity
- $\int x J_0(x) dx = x J_1(x)$
- Recall that  $J_1$  is like a sine function
  - but with irregular roots and amplitude taper

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- Substitute  $\beta r' \sin\theta = \xi, d\xi = \beta \sin\theta dr'$ ,

- We have,

- $$\begin{aligned}\tilde{E}_{ay}(\theta, \phi) &= 2\pi E_0 \int_0^{\beta a \sin\theta} \frac{\xi}{\beta \sin\theta} J_0(\xi) \frac{d\xi}{\beta \sin\theta} \\ &= 2\pi E_0 \frac{\beta a \sin\theta J_1(\beta a \sin\theta)}{(\beta \sin\theta)^2} = 2\pi E_0 \frac{a J_1(\beta a \sin\theta)}{\beta \sin\theta}\end{aligned}$$

- From (24.1) and (24.2), we have,

- $$E_{ff\theta} \cong 2 \frac{j\beta e^{-j\beta r}}{4\pi r} [(\tilde{E}_{ay} \sin\phi)]$$

- Similarly, 
$$E_{ff\phi} \cong 2 \frac{j\beta e^{-j\beta r}}{4\pi r} [(\tilde{E}_{ay} \cos\theta \cos\phi)]$$

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- Hence,

- $E_{ff\theta} \cong \frac{j\beta e^{-j\beta r}}{r} \left[ \left( E_0 \frac{a J_1(\beta a \sin\theta)}{\beta \sin\theta} \sin\phi \right) \right]$

- Similarly,  $E_{ff\phi} \cong \frac{j\beta e^{-j\beta r}}{r} \left[ \left( E_0 \frac{a J_1(\beta a \sin\theta)}{\beta \sin\theta} \cos\theta \cos\phi \right) \right]$

- $$D = \frac{4\pi \left| \iint_{S_a} \vec{E}_a ds' \right|^2}{\lambda^2 \iint_{S_a} |\vec{E}_a|^2 ds'}$$

- $$\vec{E}_a = \begin{cases} E_0 \hat{y}, & \rho' \leq a \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Hence  $D = \frac{4\pi^2 a^2}{\lambda^2}$

# Aperture antennas

- The 3-dB pattern point in E-plane ( $\phi = \frac{\pi}{2}$  or y-z plane) is
- $E_{ff\theta} \cong \frac{j\beta e^{(-j\beta r)}}{r} \left[ \left( E_0 \frac{a J_1(\beta a \sin\theta)}{\beta \sin\theta} \right) \right]$
- Similarly,  $E_{ff\phi} \cong 0$
- $\beta a \sin\theta_1 = 1.6162$
- Or,  $\sin\theta_1 = \frac{1.6162}{\beta a} = \frac{1.6162\lambda}{\pi 2a} = \frac{1.6162\lambda}{\pi D} = 0.5145 \frac{\lambda}{D}$
- Hence,  $HPBW_{E-plane} = 2 \sin^{-1} \left( 0.5145 \frac{\lambda}{D} \right) \text{ rad} = 114.59 \sin^{-1} \left( 0.5145 \frac{\lambda}{D} \right) \text{ degrees}$
- where D is diameter

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- For BWFN, the first zero or null point is
- $\beta \sin \theta_{null} = 3.8317$
- $BWFN_{E-plane} = 2 \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{3.8317\lambda}{\pi D} \right) = 2 \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{1.2197\lambda}{D} \right) rad$   
 $= 114.592 \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{1.2197\lambda}{D} \right) degrees$

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- Fig. Radiation pattern of a uniform circular aperture of  $a = 5\lambda$   
(please note SLL is 0.1323 or -17.56 dB)

