

Important Special Antennas Formulas PDF



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List of 34 Important Special Antennas Formulas

1) Array Antennas Formulas

1.1) Beam Width between First Null (BWFN) Broadside Array Formula

Formula

$$BW_{FN} = \frac{2 \cdot \lambda_b}{d \cdot N}$$

Example with Units

$$171.9064^\circ = \frac{2 \cdot 90.01_m}{10_m \cdot 6}$$

Evaluate Formula

1.2) Beam Width between First Null (BWFN) Endside Array Formula

Formula

$$BW_{end} = 2 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot \lambda_b}{N \cdot d}}$$

Example with Units

$$198.4894^\circ = 2 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot 90.01_m}{6 \cdot 10_m}}$$

Evaluate Formula

1.3) Field Pattern of Broadside Array Formula

Formula

$$E = \cos\left(\pi \cdot \frac{\cos(\Phi_s)}{2}\right)$$

Example with Units

$$0.9762 = \cos\left(3.1416 \cdot \frac{\cos(278^\circ)}{2}\right)$$

Evaluate Formula

2) Helical Antennas Formulas

2.1) Axial Ratio of Helical Antenna Formula

Formula

$$AR = \frac{(2 \cdot n) + 1}{2 \cdot n}$$

Example

$$1.0832 = \frac{(2 \cdot 6.01) + 1}{2 \cdot 6.01}$$

Evaluate Formula

2.2) Beam Width between First Null (BWFN) of Helical Antenna Formula

Formula

$$BW_{fn} = 115 \cdot \frac{C_\lambda^{\frac{3}{2}}}{C \cdot \sqrt{S \cdot n}}$$

Example with Units

$$220.6484^\circ = 115 \cdot \frac{0.8_m^{\frac{3}{2}}}{1.467_m \cdot \sqrt{35.3_m \cdot 6.01}}$$

Evaluate Formula



2.3) Gain of Helical Antenna Formula ↻

Formula

$$G_a = 11.8 + 10 \cdot \log_{10} \left(C_\lambda^2 \cdot n \cdot S \right)$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

Example with Units

$$33.1283_{\text{dB}} = 11.8 + 10 \cdot \log_{10} \left(0.8_{\text{m}}^2 \cdot 6.01 \cdot 35.3_{\text{m}} \right)$$

2.4) Half-Power Beamwidth of Helical Antenna Formula ↻

Formula

$$B_{\text{hp}} = \frac{52}{C_\lambda \cdot \sqrt{n \cdot S}}$$

Example with Units

$$255.6886^\circ = \frac{52}{0.8_{\text{m}} \cdot \sqrt{6.01 \cdot 35.3_{\text{m}}}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

2.5) Helix Circumference of Helical Antenna Formula ↻

Formula

$$C_\lambda = \frac{Z_h}{140}$$

Example with Units

$$0.8_{\text{m}} = \frac{112_{\Omega}}{140}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

2.6) Input Impedance of Helical Antenna Formula ↻

Formula

$$Z_h = 140 \cdot C_\lambda$$

Example with Units

$$112_{\Omega} = 140 \cdot 0.8_{\text{m}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

2.7) Pitch Angle of Helical Antenna Formula ↻

Formula

$$\alpha = \arctan \left(\frac{S}{\pi \cdot H_d} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$48.3034^\circ = \arctan \left(\frac{35.3_{\text{m}}}{3.1416 \cdot 10.01_{\text{m}}} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

3) Loop Antennas Formulas ↻

3.1) Directivity of Large Loop Formula ↻

Formula

$$D = 4.25 \cdot \frac{a}{\lambda_a}$$

Example with Units

$$0.3777 = 4.25 \cdot \frac{8_{\text{m}^2}}{90.011_{\text{m}}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

3.2) Efficiency Factor of Loop Antenna Formula ↻

Formula

$$K = \frac{R_{\text{small}}}{R_{\text{small}} + R_L}$$

Example with Units

$$0.0256 = \frac{0.0118_{\Omega}}{0.0118_{\Omega} + 0.45_{\Omega}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻



3.3) Isotropic Radiation Intensity for Loop Antenna Formula

Formula

$$U_{ir} = \frac{U_r}{A_g}$$

Example with Units

$$0.09 \text{ W/sr} = \frac{27.01 \text{ W/sr}}{300.01 \text{ dB}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.4) Quality Factor of Loop Antenna Formula

Formula

$$Q = \frac{X_L}{2 \cdot (R_L + R_{small})}$$

Example with Units

$$0.3573 = \frac{0.33 \Omega}{2 \cdot (0.45 \Omega + 0.0118 \Omega)}$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.5) Radiation Resistance of Large Loop Formula

Formula

$$R_{large} = 3720 \cdot \frac{a}{\lambda_a}$$

Example with Units

$$330.6263 \Omega = 3720 \cdot \frac{8 \text{ m}^2}{90.011 \text{ m}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.6) Radiation Resistance of Small Loop Formula

Formula

$$R_{small} = 31200 \cdot \frac{A^2}{\lambda_a^4}$$

Example with Units

$$0.0119 \Omega = 31200 \cdot \frac{5 \text{ m}^2^2}{90.011 \text{ m}^4}$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.7) Size of Small Loop Formula

Formula

$$L = \frac{\lambda_a}{10}$$

Example with Units

$$9.0011 \text{ m} = \frac{90.011 \text{ m}}{10}$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.8) Terminal Resistance of Loop Antenna Formula

Formula

$$R_t = R_L + R_{small}$$

Example with Units

$$0.4618 \Omega = 0.45 \Omega + 0.0118 \Omega$$

Evaluate Formula 

4) Microstrip Antenna Formulas

4.1) Actual Length of Microstrip Patch Formula

Formula

$$L_p = L_{eff} - 2 \cdot \Delta L$$

Example with Units

$$29.454 \text{ mm} = 30.90426103 \text{ mm} - 2 \cdot 0.7251475831 \text{ mm}$$

Evaluate Formula 



4.2) Effective Dielectric Constant of Substrate Formula

Formula

$$E_{\text{eff}} = \frac{E_r + 1}{2} + \left(\frac{E_r - 1}{2} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 12 \cdot \left(\frac{h}{W_p} \right)}} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

Example with Units

$$4.0901 = \frac{4.4 + 1}{2} + \left(\frac{4.4 - 1}{2} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 12 \cdot \left(\frac{1.57 \text{ mm}}{38.01 \text{ mm}} \right)}} \right)$$

4.3) Effective Length of Patch Formula

Formula

$$L_{\text{eff}} = \frac{[c]}{2 \cdot f_{\text{res}} \cdot \left(\sqrt{E_{\text{eff}}} \right)}$$

Example with Units

$$30.8827 \text{ mm} = \frac{3\text{E}+8\text{m/s}}{2 \cdot 2.4 \text{ GHz} \cdot \left(\sqrt{4.09005704} \right)}$$

Evaluate Formula 

4.4) Effective Radius of Circular Microstrip Patch Formula

Formula

$$a_{\text{eff}} = a_c \cdot \left(1 + \left(\frac{2 \cdot h_o}{\pi \cdot a_c \cdot E_r} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{\pi \cdot a_c}{2 \cdot h_o} + 1.7726 \right) \right) \right)^{0.5}$$

Evaluate Formula 

Example with Units

$$174.6228 \text{ cm} = 174.538 \text{ cm} \cdot \left(1 + \left(\frac{2 \cdot 0.157 \text{ cm}}{3.1416 \cdot 174.538 \text{ cm} \cdot 4.4} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\frac{3.1416 \cdot 174.538 \text{ cm}}{2 \cdot 0.157 \text{ cm}} + 1.7726 \right) \right) \right)^{0.5}$$

4.5) Height of Equilateral Triangular Patch Formula

Formula

$$H = \sqrt{S_{\text{tng}}^2 - \left(\frac{S_{\text{tng}}}{2} \right)^2}$$

Example with Units

$$34.4051 \text{ mm} = \sqrt{39.7276 \text{ mm}^2 - \left(\frac{39.7276 \text{ mm}}{2} \right)^2}$$

Evaluate Formula 



4.6) Length Extension of Patch Formula ↻

Formula

Evaluate Formula ↻

$$\Delta L = 0.412 \cdot h \cdot \left(\frac{\left(E_{\text{eff}} + 0.3 \right) \cdot \left(\frac{w_p}{h} + 0.264 \right)}{\left(E_{\text{eff}} - 0.264 \right) \cdot \left(\frac{w_p}{h} + 0.8 \right)} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$0.7263 \text{ mm} = 0.412 \cdot 1.57 \text{ mm} \cdot \left(\frac{\left(4.09005704 + 0.3 \right) \cdot \left(\frac{38.01 \text{ mm}}{1.57 \text{ mm}} + 0.264 \right)}{\left(4.09005704 - 0.264 \right) \cdot \left(\frac{38.01 \text{ mm}}{1.57 \text{ mm}} + 0.8 \right)} \right)$$

4.7) Length of Ground Plate Formula ↻

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula ↻

$$L_{\text{gnd}} = 6 \cdot h + L_p$$

$$38.85 \text{ mm} = 6 \cdot 1.57 \text{ mm} + 29.43 \text{ mm}$$

4.8) Normalized Wavenumber Formula ↻

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula ↻

$$F_n = \frac{8.791 \cdot 10^9}{f_{\text{res}} \cdot \sqrt{E_r}}$$

$$1.7462 = \frac{8.791 \cdot 10^9}{2.4 \text{ GHz} \cdot \sqrt{4.4}}$$

4.9) Physical Radius of Circular Microstrip Patch Formula ↻

Formula

Evaluate Formula ↻

$$a_c = \frac{F_n}{\left(1 + \left(2 \cdot \frac{h_o}{\pi \cdot F_n \cdot E_r} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(\pi \cdot \frac{F_n}{2 \cdot h_o} + 1.7726 \right) \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

Example with Units

$$174.538 \text{ cm} = \frac{1.746227005}{\left(1 + \left(2 \cdot \frac{0.157 \text{ cm}}{3.1416 \cdot 1.746227005 \cdot 4.4} \right) \cdot \left(\ln \left(3.1416 \cdot \frac{1.746227005}{2 \cdot 0.157 \text{ cm}} + 1.7726 \right) \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

4.10) Radiation Resistance of Infinitesimal Dipole Formula ↻

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula ↻

$$R_{\text{isd}} = 80 \cdot \pi^2 \cdot \left(\frac{l_{\text{isd}}}{\lambda_{\text{isd}}} \right)^2$$

$$0.3159 \Omega = 80 \cdot 3.1416^2 \cdot \left(\frac{0.0024987 \text{ m}}{0.12491352 \text{ m}} \right)^2$$



4.11) Resonating Frequency of Equilateral Triangular Patch Formula

Formula

$$f_r = 2 \cdot \frac{[c]}{3 \cdot S_{\text{tng}} \cdot \sqrt{E_r}}$$

Example with Units

$$2.3983 \text{ GHz} = 2 \cdot \frac{3\text{E}+8\text{m/s}}{3 \cdot 39.7276 \text{ mm} \cdot \sqrt{4.4}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

4.12) Resonating Frequency of Microstrip Antenna Formula

Formula

$$f_r = \frac{[c]}{2 \cdot L_{\text{eff}} \cdot \sqrt{E_{\text{eff}}}}$$

Example with Units

$$2.3983 \text{ GHz} = \frac{3\text{E}+8\text{m/s}}{2 \cdot 30.90426103 \text{ mm} \cdot \sqrt{4.09005704}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

4.13) Side Length of Equilateral Triangular Patch Formula

Formula

$$S_{\text{tng}} = 2 \cdot \frac{[c]}{3 \cdot f_{\text{res}} \cdot \sqrt{E_r}}$$

Example with Units

$$39.7001 \text{ mm} = 2 \cdot \frac{3\text{E}+8\text{m/s}}{3 \cdot 2.4 \text{ GHz} \cdot \sqrt{4.4}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

4.14) Side Length of Hexagonal Patch Formula

Formula

$$S_{\text{hex}} = \frac{\sqrt{2 \cdot \pi \cdot a_{\text{eff}}}}{\sqrt{5.1962}}$$

Example with Units

$$192.1471 \text{ mm} = \frac{\sqrt{2 \cdot 3.1416 \cdot 17.47378 \text{ cm}}}{\sqrt{5.1962}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

4.15) Width of Ground Plate Formula

Formula

$$W_{\text{gnd}} = 6 \cdot h + W_p$$

Example with Units

$$47.43 \text{ mm} = 6 \cdot 1.57 \text{ mm} + 38.01 \text{ mm}$$

Evaluate Formula 

4.16) Width of Microstrip Patch Formula

Formula

$$W_p = \frac{[c]}{2 \cdot f_{\text{res}} \cdot \left(\sqrt{\frac{E_r + 1}{2}} \right)}$$

Example with Units

$$38.01 \text{ mm} = \frac{3\text{E}+8\text{m/s}}{2 \cdot 2.4 \text{ GHz} \cdot \left(\sqrt{\frac{4.4 + 1}{2}} \right)}$$

Evaluate Formula 



Variables used in list of Special Antennas Formulas above

- **a** Area of Large Circular Loop (*Square Meter*)
- **A** Area of Small Circular Loop (*Square Meter*)
- **a_c** Actual Radius of Circular Microstrip Patch (*Centimeter*)
- **a_{eff}** Effective Radius of Circular Microstrip Patch (*Centimeter*)
- **A_g** Loop Antenna Gain (*Decibel*)
- **AR** Axial Ratio
- **B_{hp}** Half Power Beam Width (*Degree*)
- **BW_{end}** Beam Width between First Null Endsides Array (*Degree*)
- **BW_{fn}** Helical Beam Width of First Null Broadside Array (*Degree*)
- **BW_{FN}** Beam Width between First Null Broadside Array (*Degree*)
- **C** Operational Circumference (*Meter*)
- **C_λ** Helix Circumference (*Meter*)
- **d** Distance (*Meter*)
- **D** Directivity of Large Loop
- **E** Field Pattern
- **E_{eff}** Effective Dielectric Constant of Substrate
- **E_r** Dielectric Constant of Substrate
- **F_n** Normalized Wavenumber
- **f_r** Resonant Frequency (*Gigahertz*)
- **f_{res}** Frequency (*Gigahertz*)
- **G_a** Helical Antenna Gain (*Decibel*)
- **h** Thickness of the Substrate (*Millimeter*)
- **H** Height of Equilateral Triangular Patch (*Millimeter*)
- **H_d** Helix Diameter (*Meter*)
- **h_o** Thickness of Substrate Microstrip (*Centimeter*)
- **K** Efficiency Factor
- **L** Size of Small Loop (*Meter*)

**Constants, Functions,
Measurements used in list of Special
Antennas Formulas above**

- **constant(s): pi**, 3.14159265358979323846264338327950288
Archimedes' constant
- **constant(s): [c]**, 299792458.0
Light speed in vacuum
- **Functions: arctan**, arctan(Number)
Inverse trigonometric functions are usually accompanied by the prefix - arc. Mathematically, we represent arctan or the inverse tangent function as $\tan^{-1} x$ or arctan(x).
- **Functions: cos**, cos(Angle)
Cosine of an angle is the ratio of the side adjacent to the angle to the hypotenuse of the triangle.
- **Functions: ctan**, ctan(Angle)
Cotangent is a trigonometric function that is defined as the ratio of the adjacent side to the opposite side in a right triangle.
- **Functions: ln**, ln(Number)
The natural logarithm, also known as the logarithm to the base e, is the inverse function of the natural exponential function.
- **Functions: log10**, log10(Number)
The common logarithm, also known as the base-10 logarithm or the decimal logarithm, is a mathematical function that is the inverse of the exponential function.
- **Functions: sqrt**, sqrt(Number)
A square root function is a function that takes a non-negative number as an input and returns the square root of the given input number.
- **Functions: tan**, tan(Angle)
The tangent of an angle is a trigonometric ratio of the length of the side opposite an angle to the length of the side adjacent to an angle in a right triangle.
- **Measurement: Length** in Meter (m), Millimeter (mm), Centimeter (cm)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Area** in Square Meter (m²)
Area Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Angle** in Degree (°)
Angle Unit Conversion 



- **L_{eff}** Effective Length of Microstrip Patch (Millimeter)
- **L_{gnd}** Length of Ground Plate (Millimeter)
- **l_{isd}** Length of Infinitesimal Dipole (Meter)
- **L_p** Actual Length of Microstrip Patch (Millimeter)
- **n** Number of Turns of Helical Antenna
- **N** Number of Turns of Array Antenna
- **Q** Quality Factor
- **R_{isd}** Radiation Resistance of Infinitesimal Dipole (Ohm)
- **R_L** Loss Resistance (Ohm)
- **R_{large}** Radiation Resistance of Large Loop (Ohm)
- **R_{small}** Radiation Resistance of Small Loop (Ohm)
- **R_t** Terminal Resistance of Loop Antenna (Ohm)
- **S** Turn Spacing (Meter)
- **S_{hex}** Side Length of Hexagonal Patch (Millimeter)
- **S_{tng}** Side Length of Equilateral Triangular Patch (Millimeter)
- **U_{ir}** Isotropic Radiation Intensity of Loop Antenna (Watt per Steradian)
- **U_r** Radiation Intensity in Loop Antenna (Watt per Steradian)
- **W_{gnd}** Width of Ground Plate (Millimeter)
- **W_p** Width of Microstrip Patch (Millimeter)
- **X_L** Inductive Reactance (Ohm)
- **Z_h** Input Impedance (Ohm)
- **α** Pitch Angle (Degree)
- **ΔL** Length Extension of Microstrip Patch (Millimeter)
- **λ_a** Wavelength in Loop Antenna (Meter)
- **λ_b** Broad Side Array Wavelength (Meter)
- **λ_{isd}** Wavelength of Dipole (Meter)
- **Φ_s** Phase Shift (Degree)

- **Measurement: Frequency** in Gigahertz (GHz)
Frequency Unit Conversion ↻
- **Measurement: Electric Resistance** in Ohm (Ω)
Electric Resistance Unit Conversion ↻
- **Measurement: Wavelength** in Meter (m)
Wavelength Unit Conversion ↻
- **Measurement: Sound** in Decibel (dB)
Sound Unit Conversion ↻
- **Measurement: Radiant Intensity** in Watt per Steradian (W/sr)
Radiant Intensity Unit Conversion ↻



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