

A large satellite dish antenna is mounted on a tall metal tower. The dish is dark and pointed towards the upper right. The background is a sunset sky with orange and yellow hues near the horizon, transitioning to a darker blue at the top. The overall scene is slightly blurred, giving it a cinematic feel.

# Corso di “Antenne”

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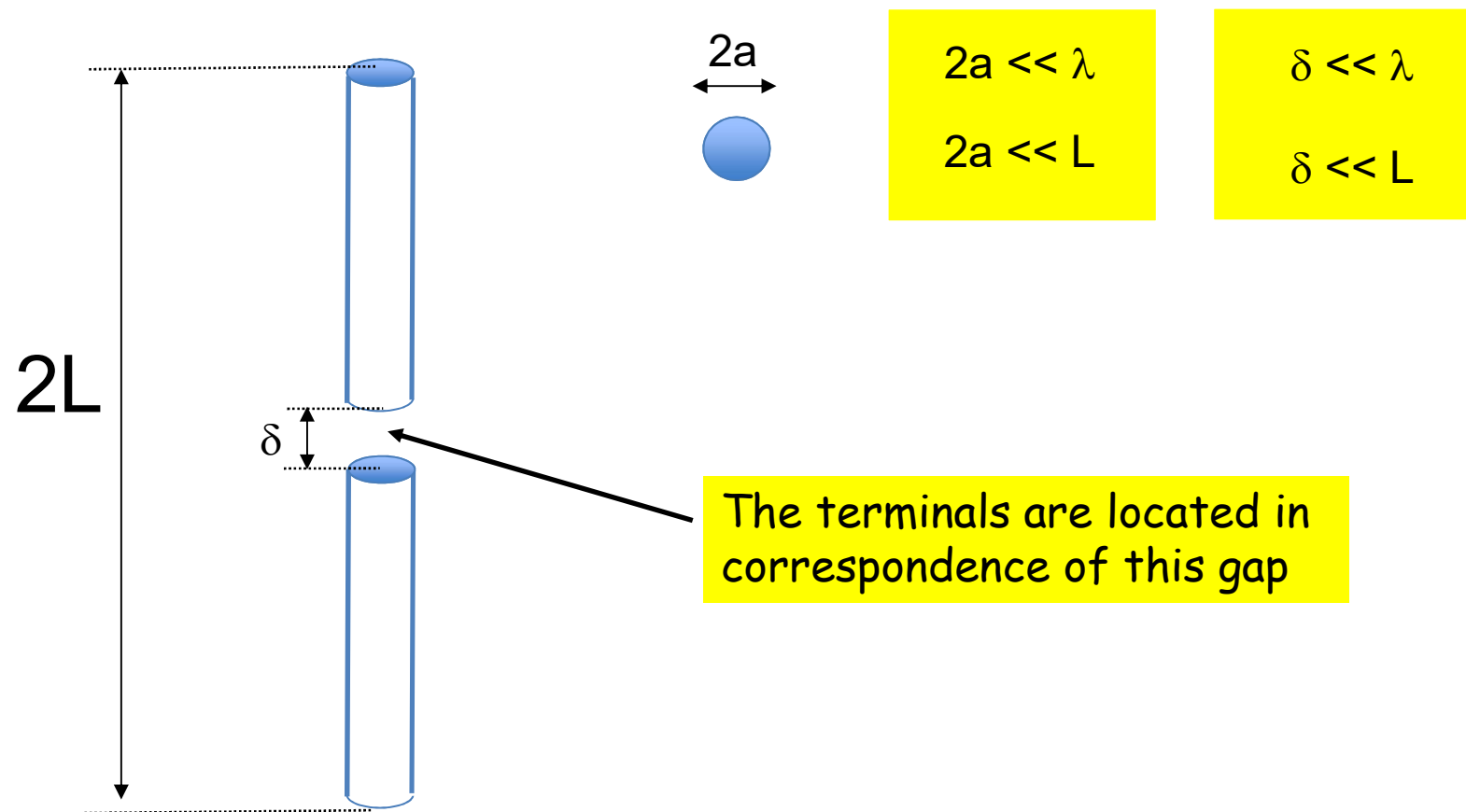
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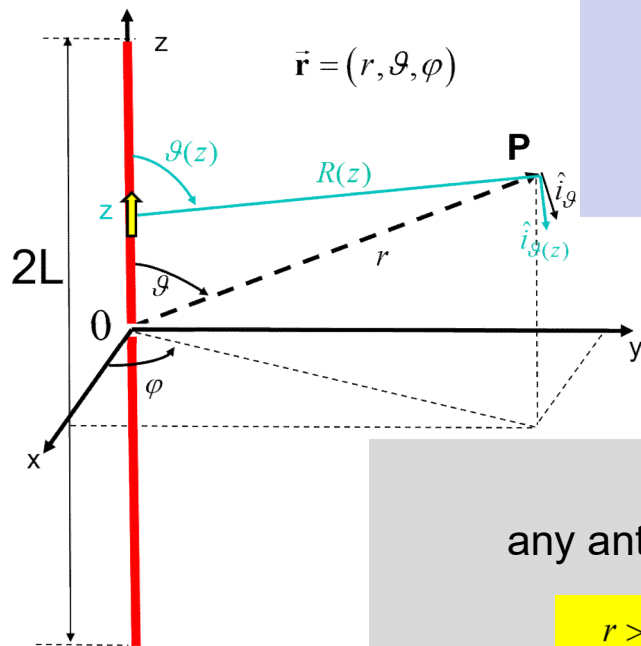


# Wire antennas

In the Fraunhofer Region the expression of the radiated field simplifies as

$$\vec{\mathbf{E}} = j \frac{\zeta}{2\lambda} I_0 \frac{\exp[-j\beta r]}{r} \sin \vartheta \left[ \int_{-L}^L dz \frac{I(z)}{I_0} \exp(j\beta z \cos \vartheta) \right] \hat{i}_\vartheta$$

Effective length of the wire antenna



.... Memo

any antenna, in the Fraunhofer region, behaves as follows

$$\begin{aligned} r &\gg D \\ r &> \frac{2D^2}{\lambda} \\ r &\gg \lambda \end{aligned}$$

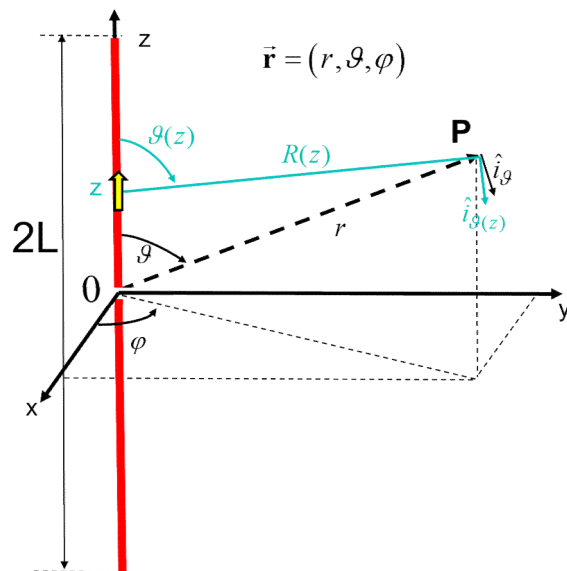
$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{E}(\vec{r}) = \mathbf{E}(r, \vartheta, \varphi) = \frac{j\zeta I e^{-j\beta r}}{2\lambda r} \mathbf{I}(\vartheta, \varphi) \\ \zeta \mathbf{H} = \hat{i}_r \times \mathbf{E} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbf{I}(\vartheta, \varphi) = l_\vartheta(\vartheta, \varphi) \hat{i}_\vartheta + l_\varphi(\vartheta, \varphi) \hat{i}_\varphi$$

Effective length

# Wire antennas: effective length

$$\vec{\mathbf{I}}(\vartheta) = l_{\vartheta}(\vartheta) \hat{i}_{\vartheta} = \sin \vartheta \left[ \int_{-L}^L dz \frac{I(z)}{I_0} \exp(j\beta z \cos \vartheta) \right] \hat{i}_{\vartheta}$$



$$u = -\beta \cos \vartheta \quad \tilde{I}(z) = \frac{I(z)}{I_0}$$

$$F(u) = \int_{-L}^L dz \tilde{I}(z) e^{-juz}$$

For the wire antennas the source impressed on the antenna is related to the radiated field through the Fourier Transformation rule

# Wire antennas: visible region

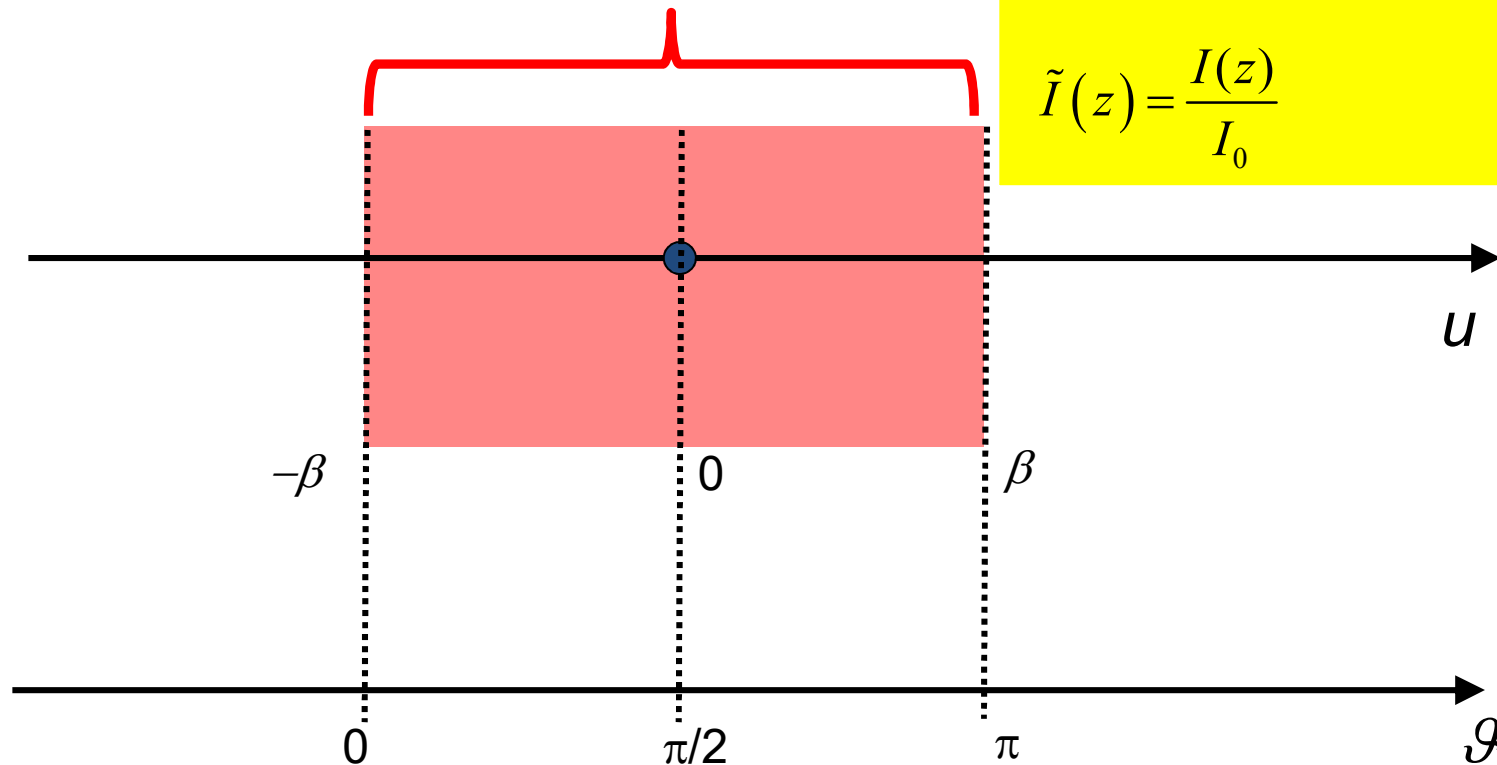
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Visible region of the spectrum



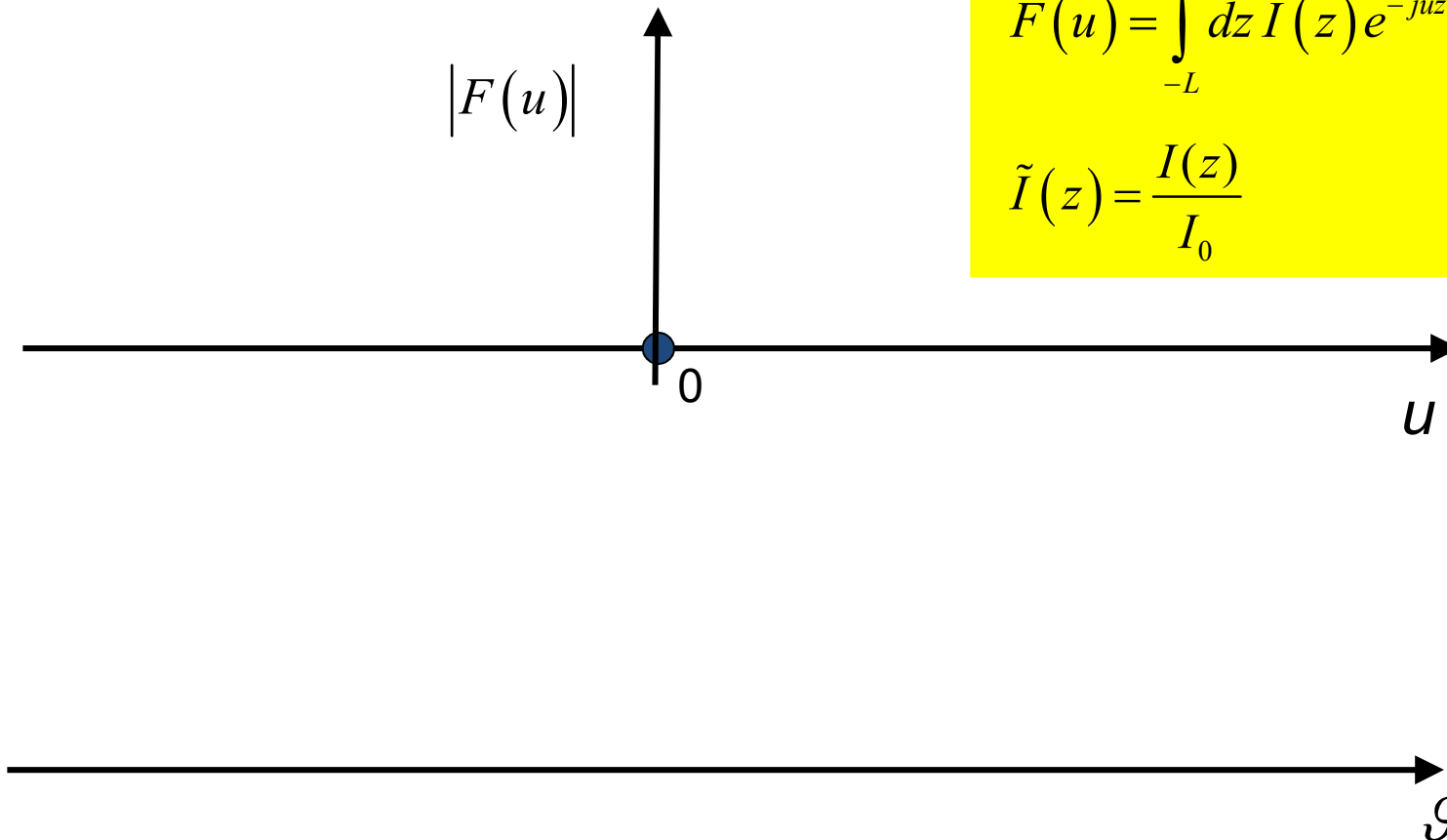
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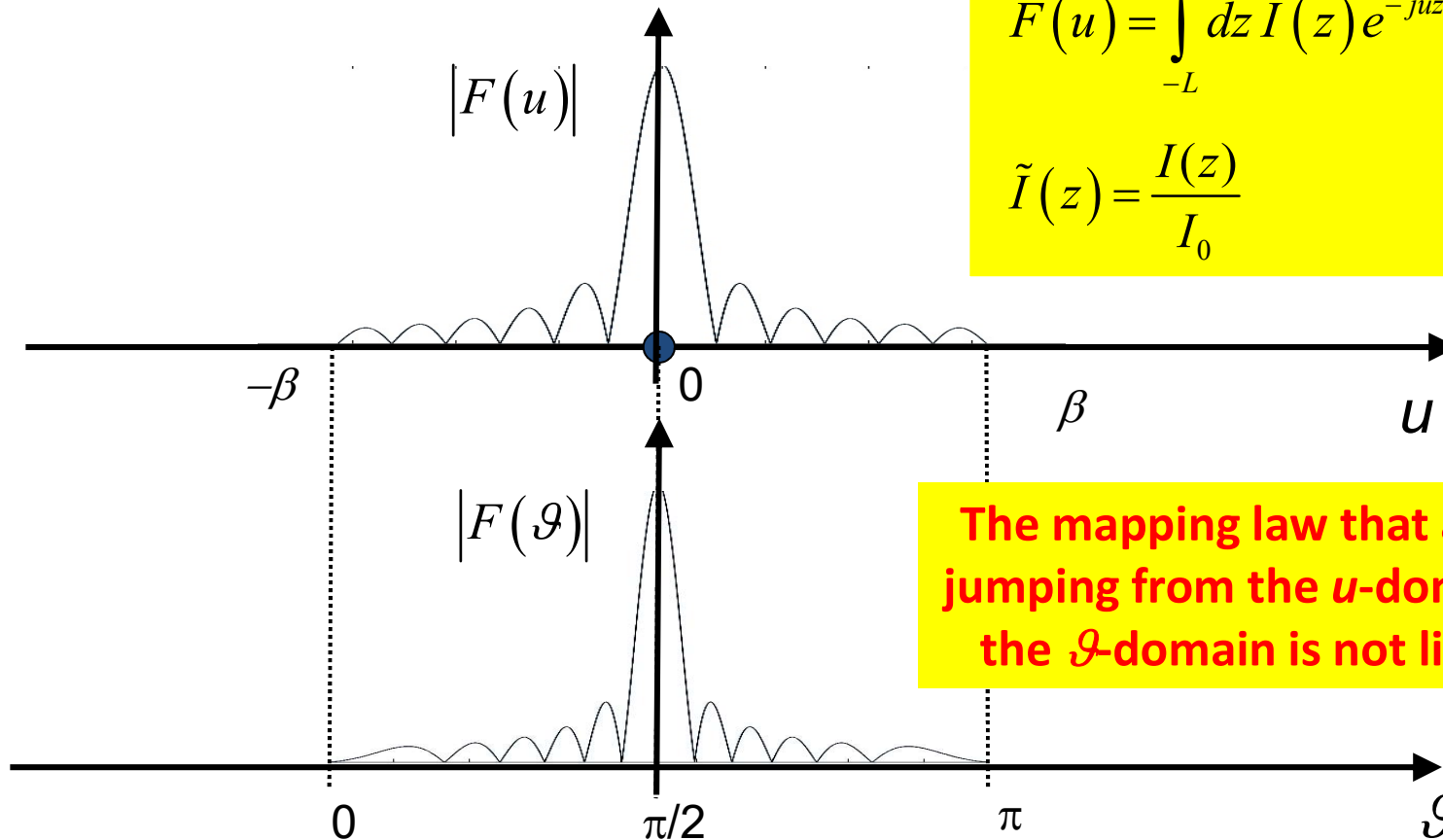
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The mapping law that allows jumping from the  $u$ -domain to the  $\vartheta$ -domain is not linear!

# Color legend

New formulas, important considerations,  
important formulas, important concepts

Very important for the discussion

Memo

Mathematical tools to be exploited

Mathematics

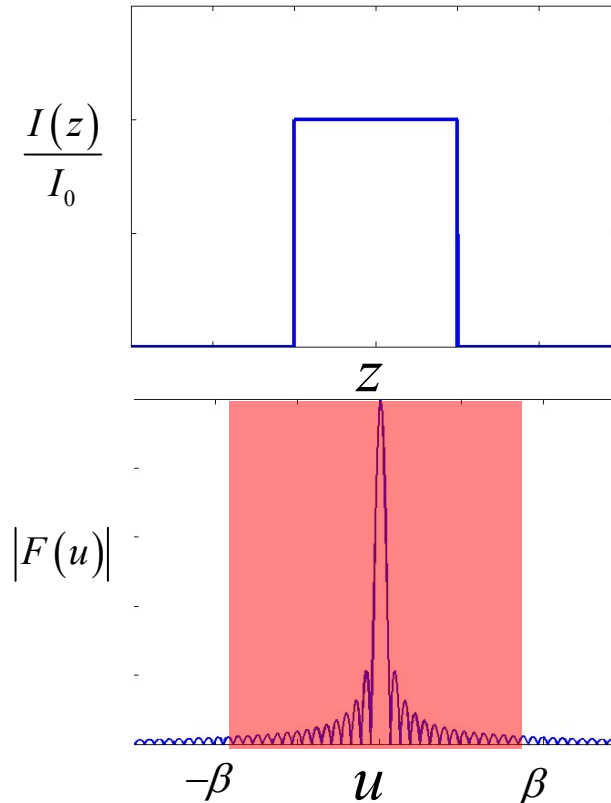
# Current distribution

## An ideal case

$$\frac{I(z)}{I_0} = \text{rect}\left[\frac{z}{2L}\right]$$

$$F(u) = \int \frac{I(z)}{I_0} e^{-juz} dz = 2L \frac{\sin(uL)}{uL}$$

$$u = -\beta \cos \vartheta$$

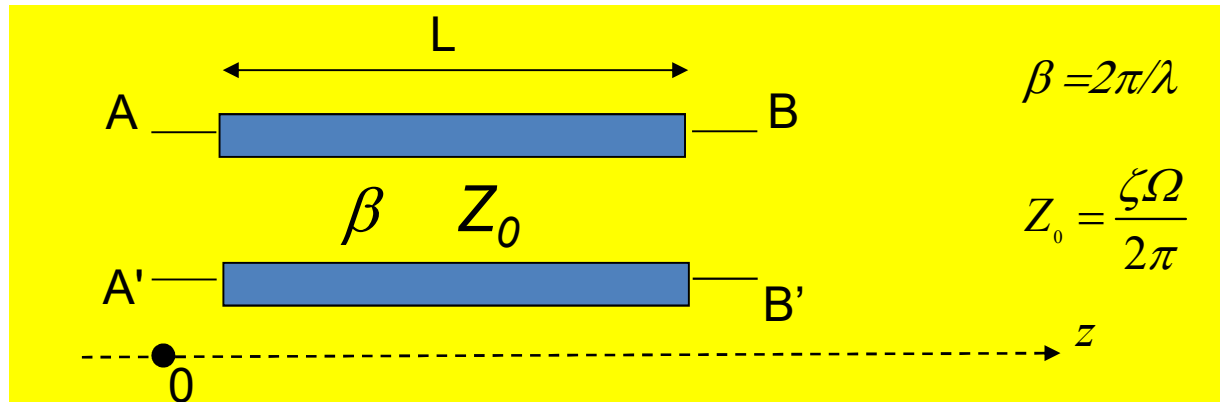
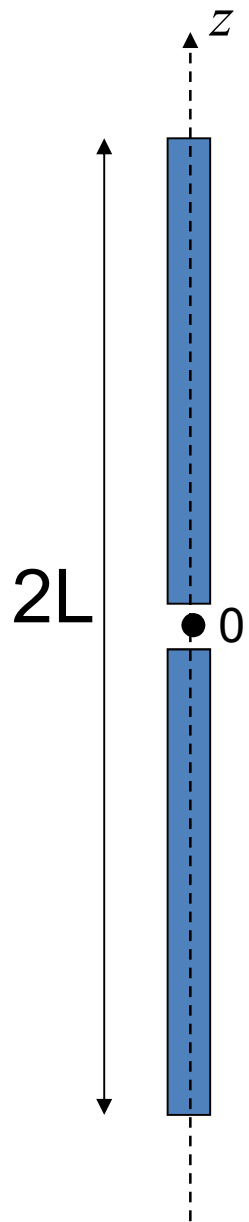


**Direction of the Main Lobe**  $\vartheta_{MB} = \frac{\pi}{2}$

**NNBW / HPBW**  $\text{NNBW} \approx \frac{\lambda}{L}$   $\text{HPBW} \approx 0.88 \frac{\lambda}{2L}$

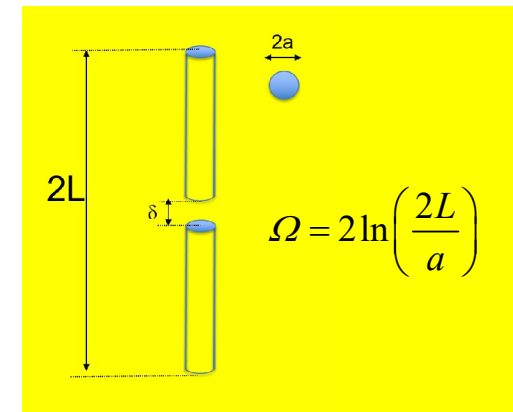
**SLL**  $\text{SLL} = -13.46 \text{ dB}$

# Hallen Formulation

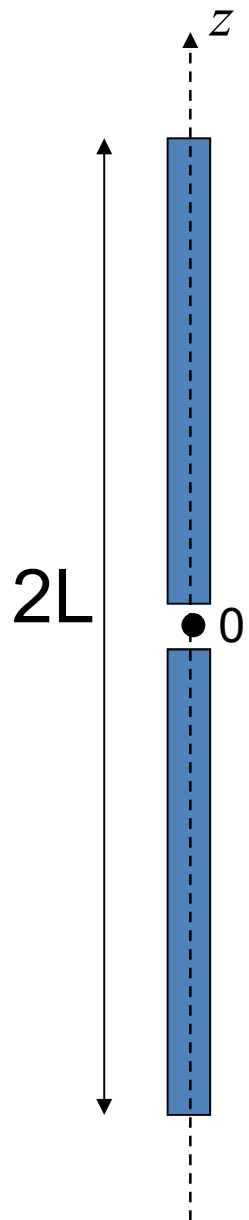


$$Z_{in} = -jZ_0 \operatorname{ctg}(\beta L)$$

$$I(z) = I_0 \frac{\sin(\beta L - \beta|z|)}{\sin(\beta L)}$$

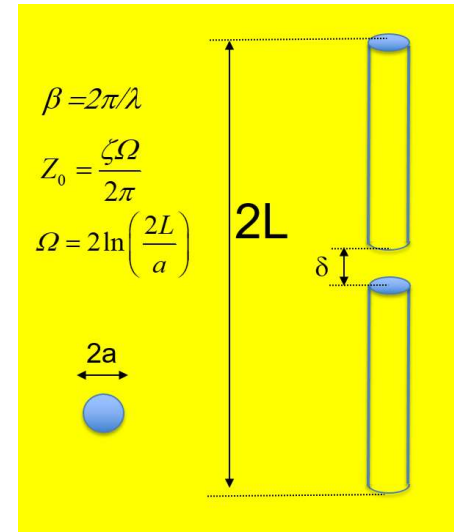


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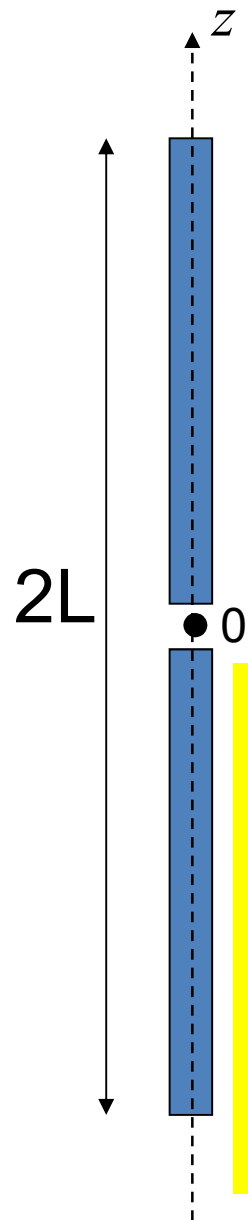
The Hallen model provides a wrong value of the input resistance  $R_{in}$ , due to the employed approximations

Notwithstanding, measurements carried out in laboratory show that the input reactance  $X_{in}$  provided by the Hallen model is quite accurate.

Measurements carried out in laboratory show also that the far field obtained by employing the expression  $I(z)$  provided by the Hallen model is very accurate.

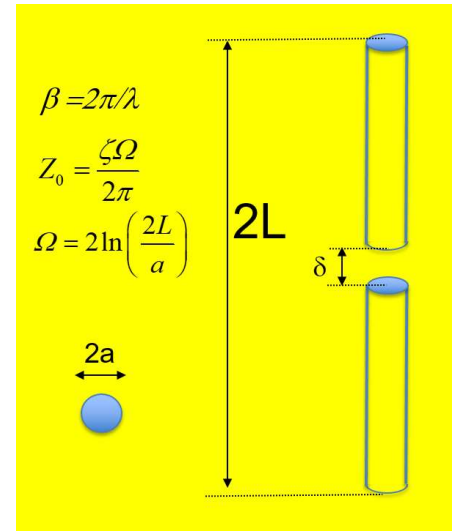
From the analytical expression of the far field obtained by employing the expression  $I(z)$  provided by the Hallen model, we can obtain a quite accurate value of the radiation resistance  $R_{rad}$  (and thus a sound estimate of the input resistance  $R_{in}$ ).

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$$P_{in} = \frac{1}{2} R_{in} |I_0|^2$$

$$P_{rad} = \frac{1}{2} R_{rad} |I_0|^2$$

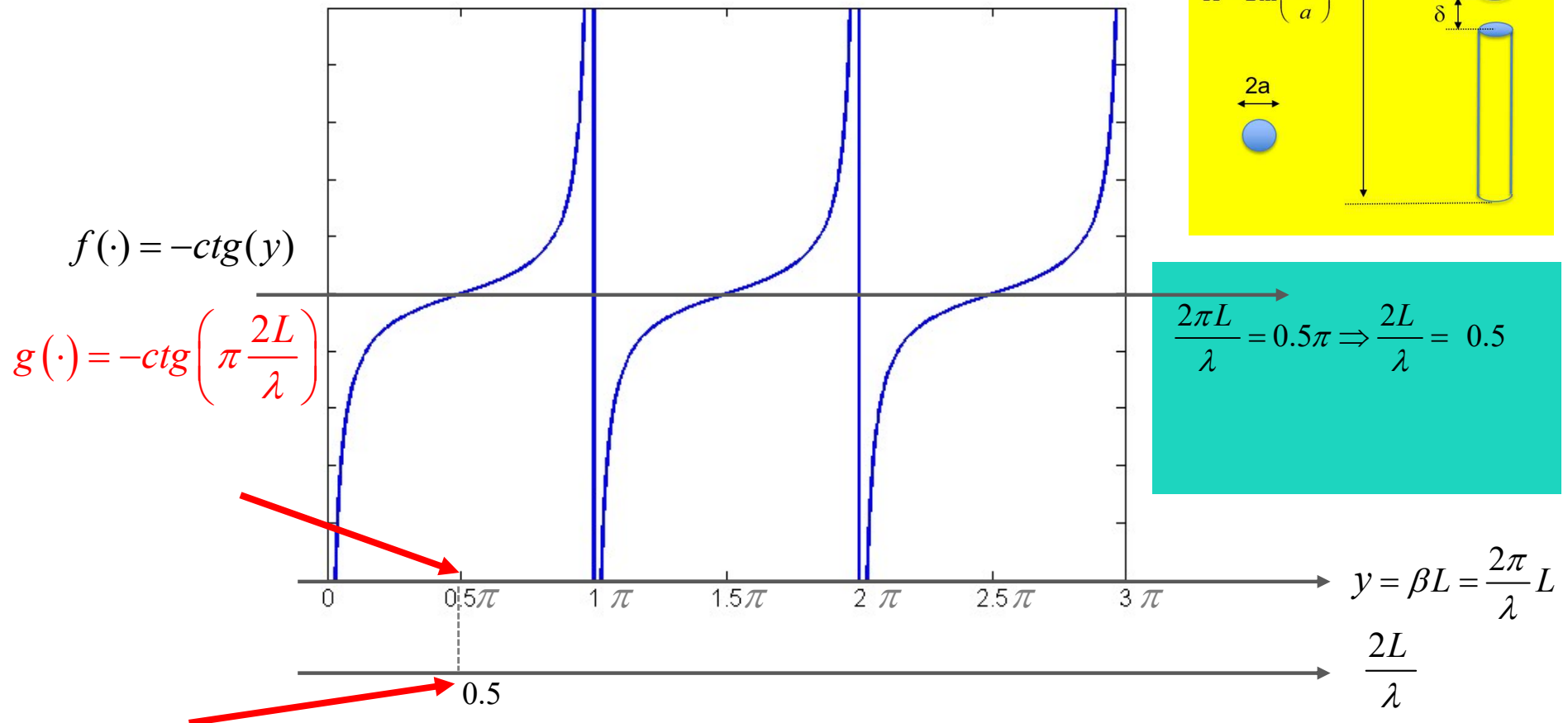
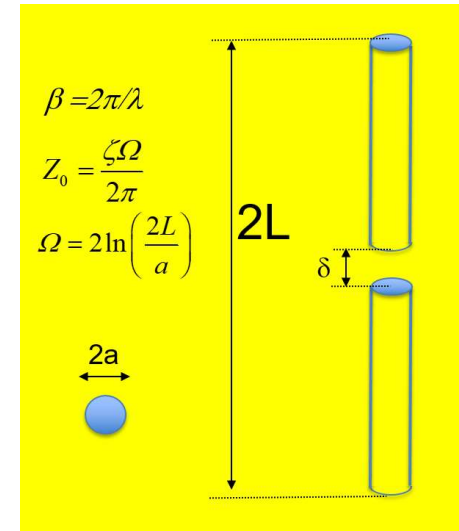
$$P_{rad} = \oiint_S \frac{1}{2\zeta} |\vec{E}|^2$$

**This antenna radiates!**



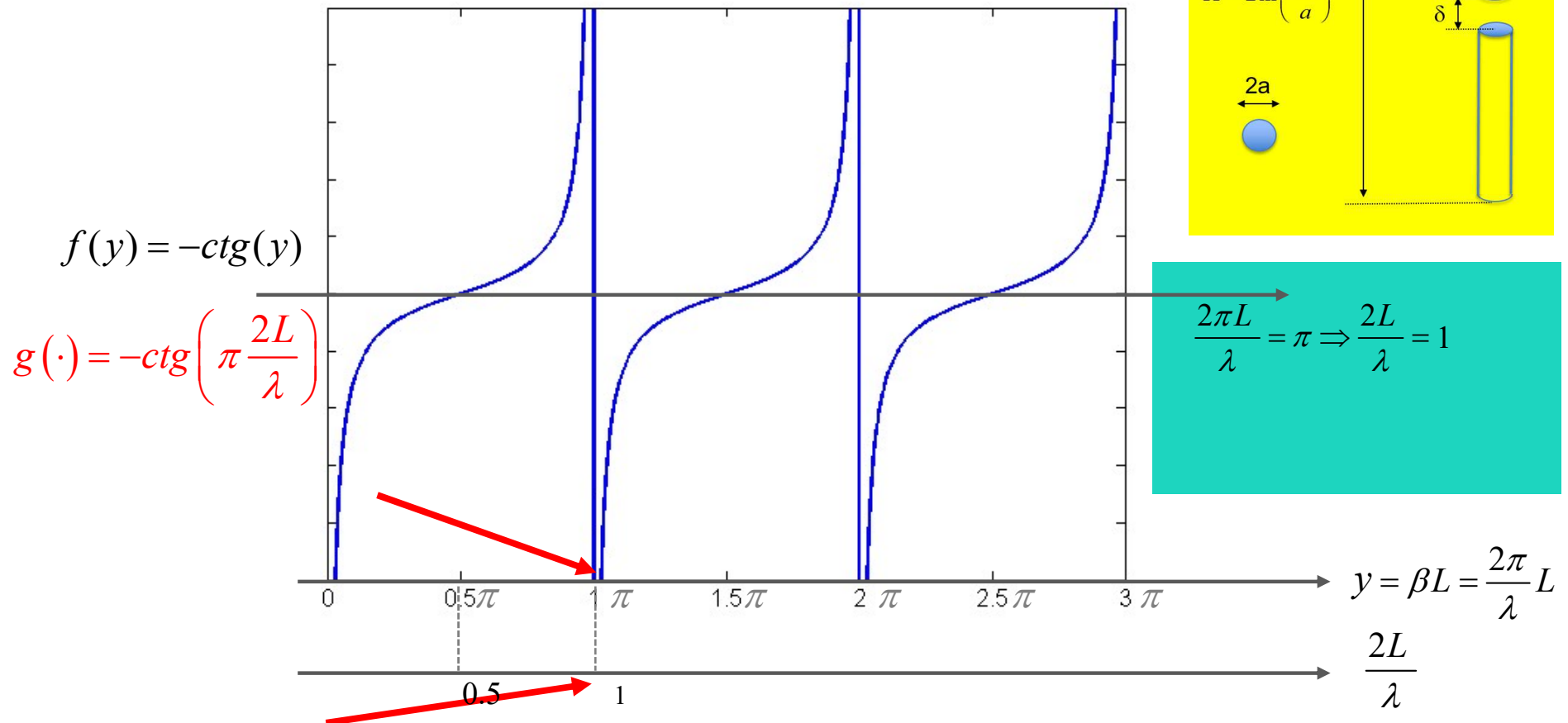
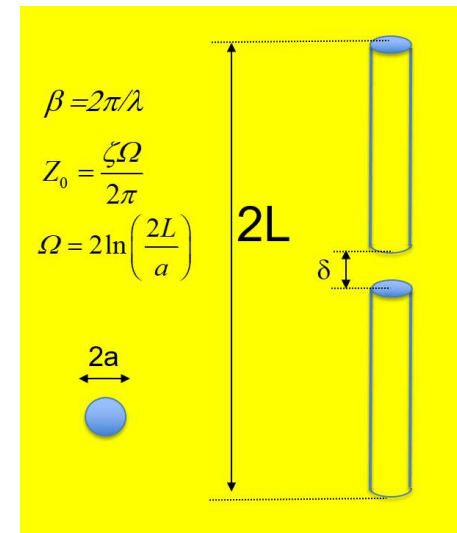
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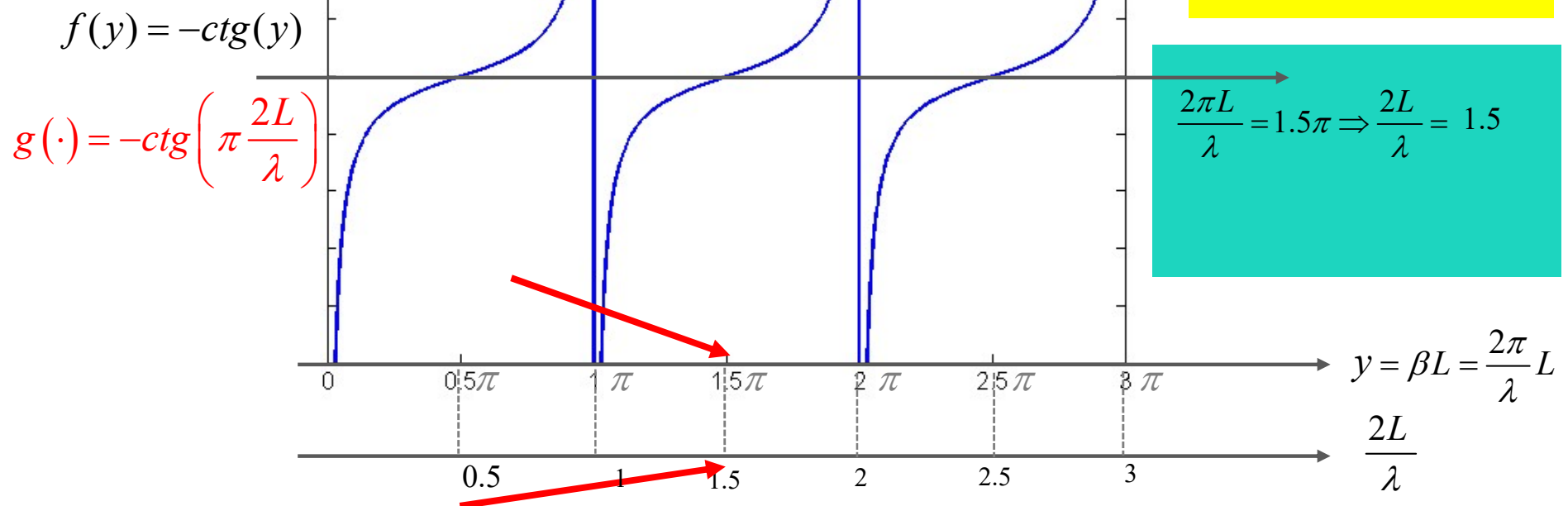
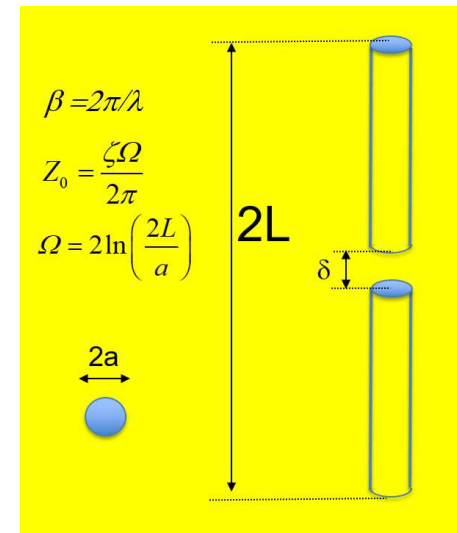
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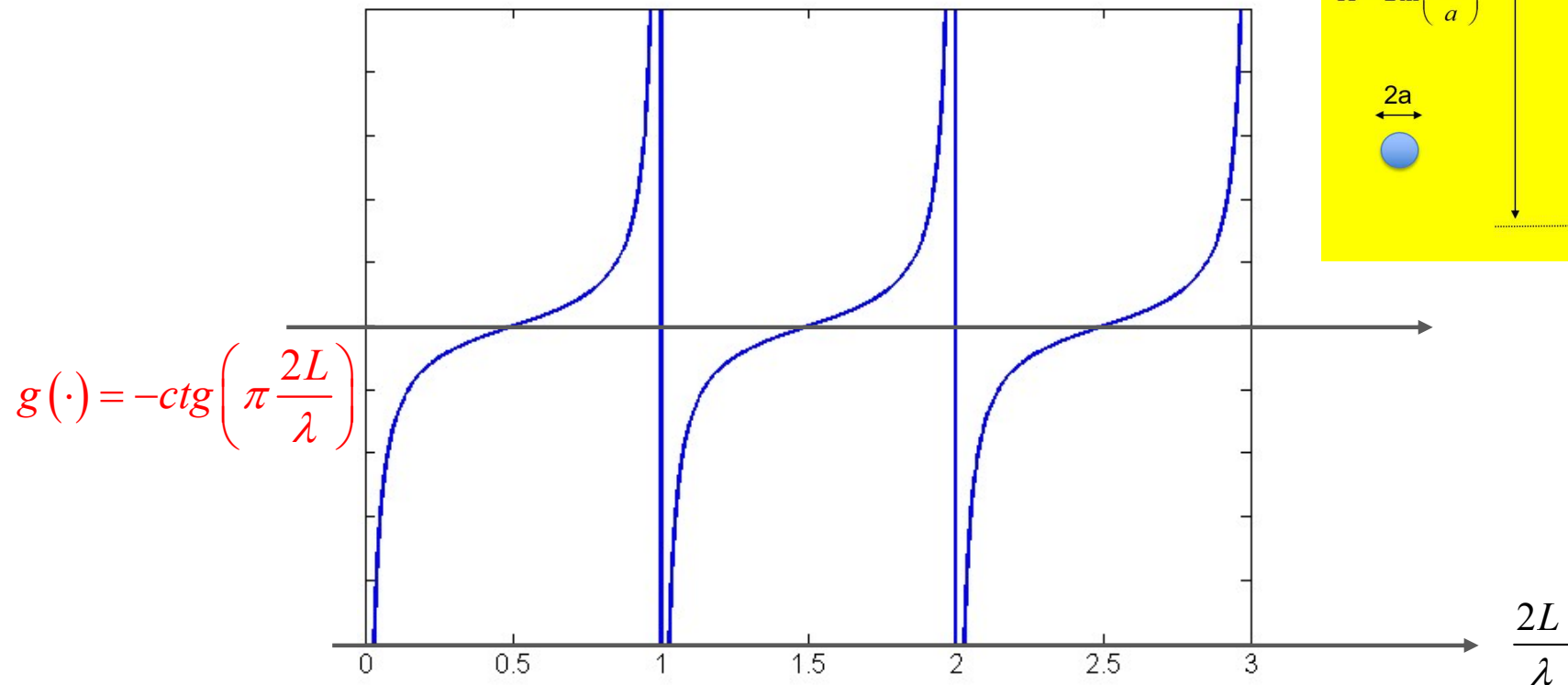
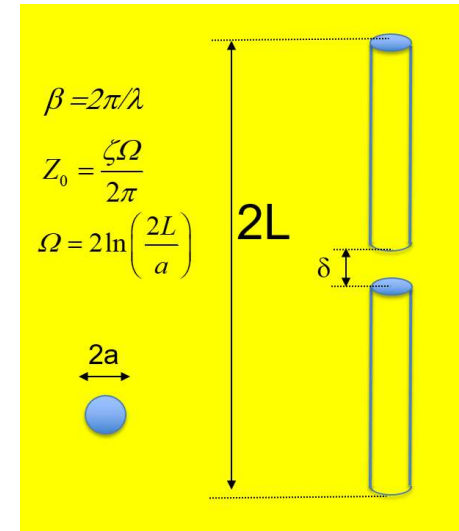
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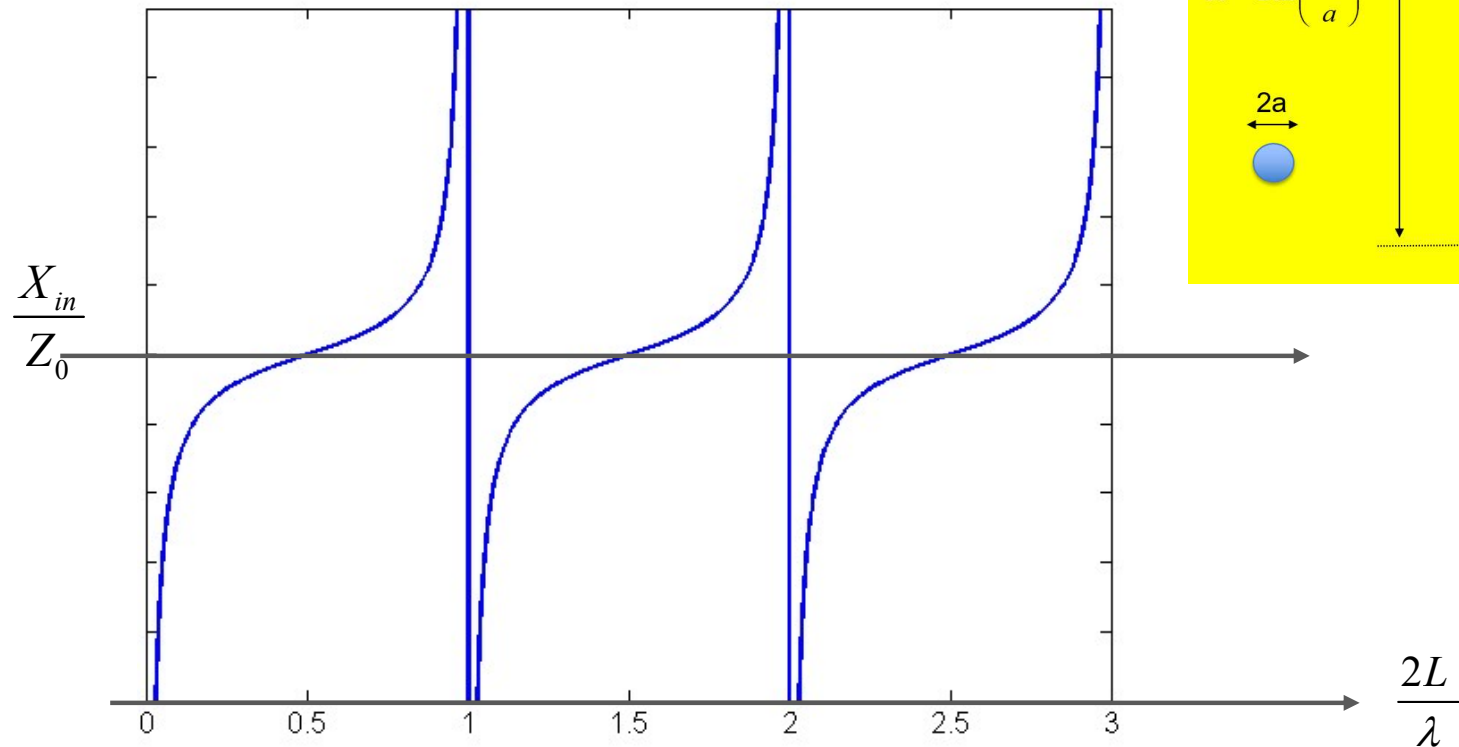
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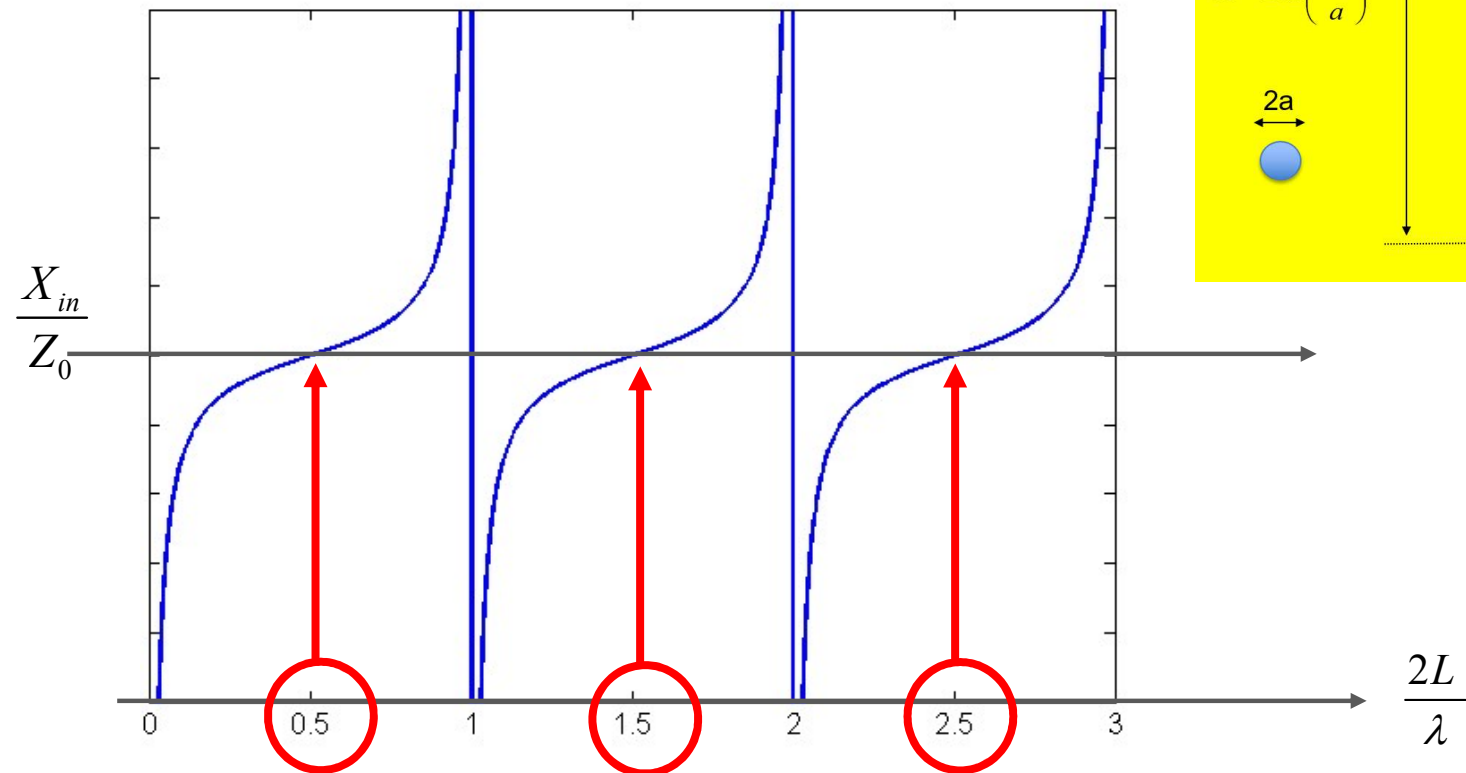
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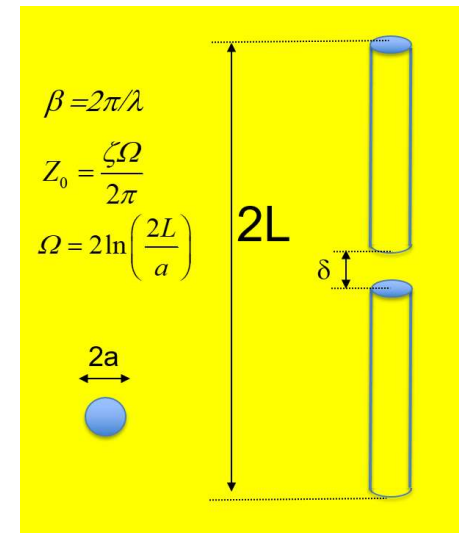


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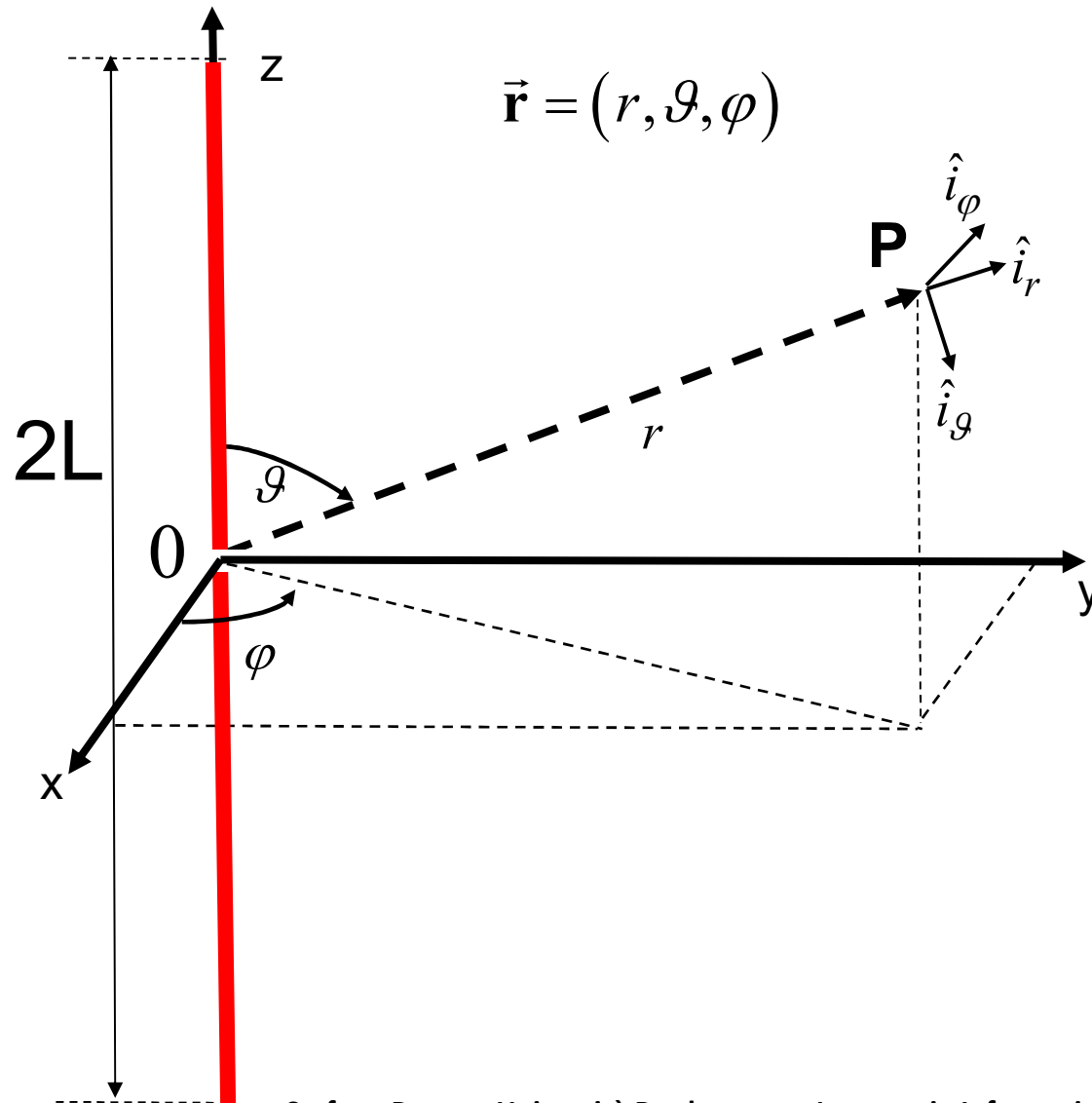
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$$X_{in} = 0$$



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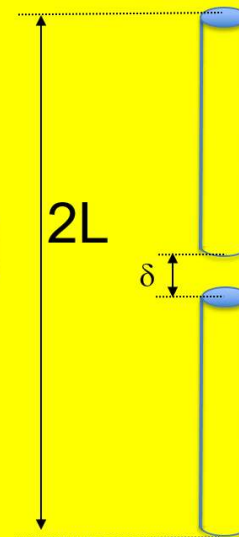
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$$\beta = 2\pi/\lambda$$

$$Z_0 = \frac{\zeta \Omega}{2\pi}$$

$$\Omega = 2 \ln \left( \frac{2L}{a} \right)$$

$$2a$$



# Short dipole

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$$F(\vartheta) = \int_{-L}^L dz \frac{I(z)}{I_0} \exp(j\beta z \cos \vartheta) = \int_{-L}^L dz \frac{\sin(\beta L - \beta|z|)}{\sin(\beta L)} \exp(j\beta z \cos \vartheta) \approx \int_{-L}^L dz \left( 1 - \frac{|z|}{L} \right)$$

$$\sin(\beta L) \approx \beta L$$

$$\beta L \ll \pi \quad \longrightarrow \quad \sin[\beta(L - |z|)] \approx \beta(L - |z|) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{\sin(\beta L - \beta|z|)}{\sin(\beta L)} \exp(j\beta z \cos \vartheta) \approx \frac{\beta(L - |z|)}{\beta L}$$

$$\exp(j\beta z \cos \vartheta) \approx 1$$



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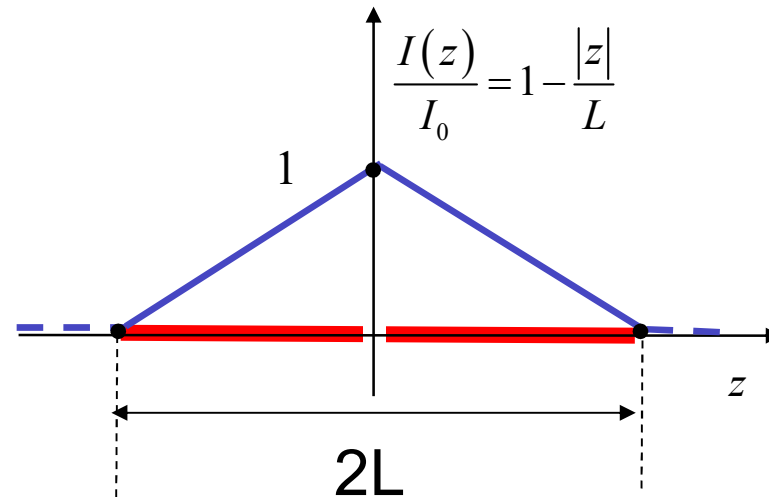
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$$F(\vartheta) \approx \int_{-L}^L dz \left( 1 - \frac{|z|}{L} \right) = L$$

$$z = 0 \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{|z|}{L} = 1$$

$$z = \pm L \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{|z|}{L} = 0$$



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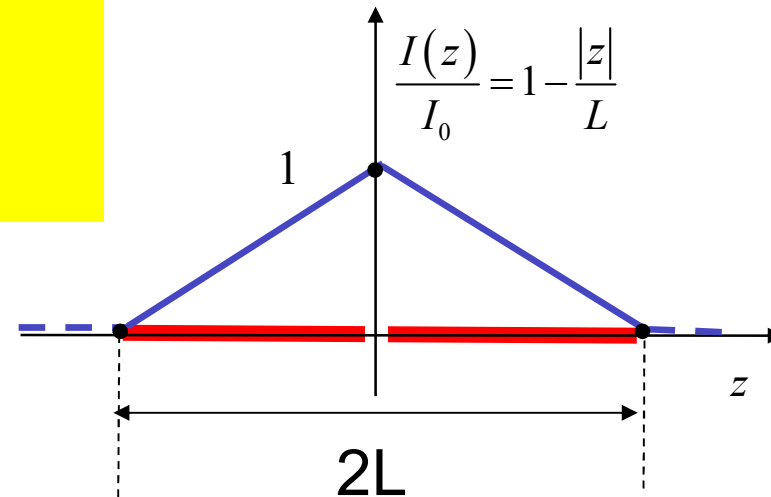
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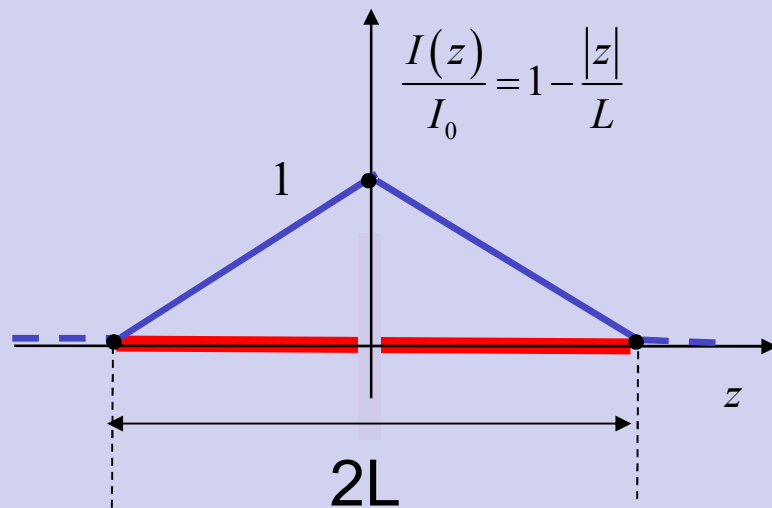


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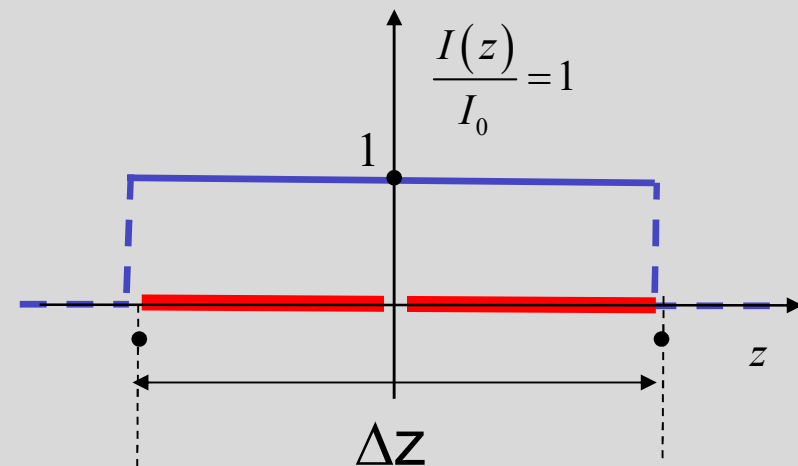
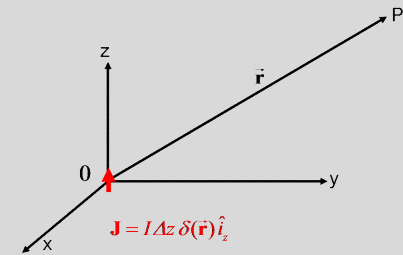
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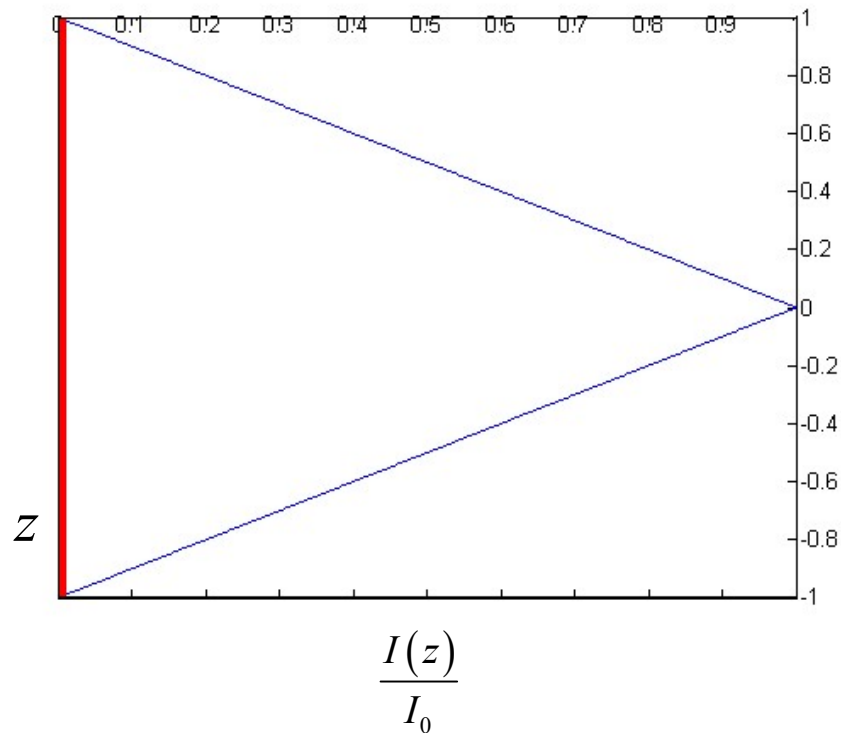
## Elementary electrical dipole

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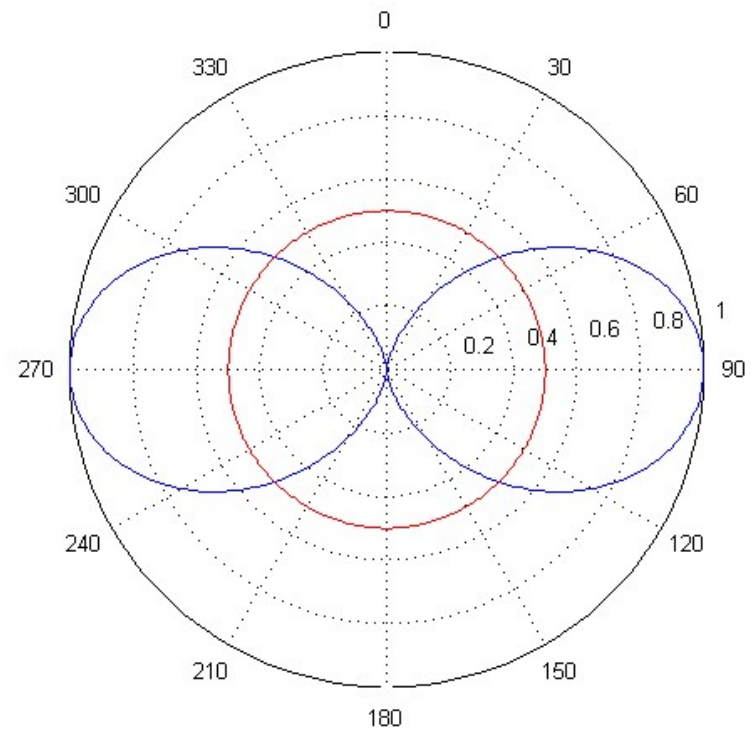
# Short dipole

Current distribution



Power pattern  
(vertical plane)

$2L=0.01\lambda$



# Short dipole

## Short dipole

$$2L \ll \lambda$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{I}}(\vartheta) = L \sin \vartheta \hat{i}_\vartheta$$

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$$R_{rad} = \frac{2\pi}{3} \zeta \left( \frac{L}{\lambda} \right)^2$$

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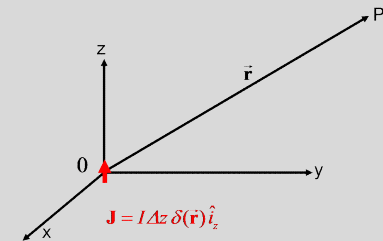
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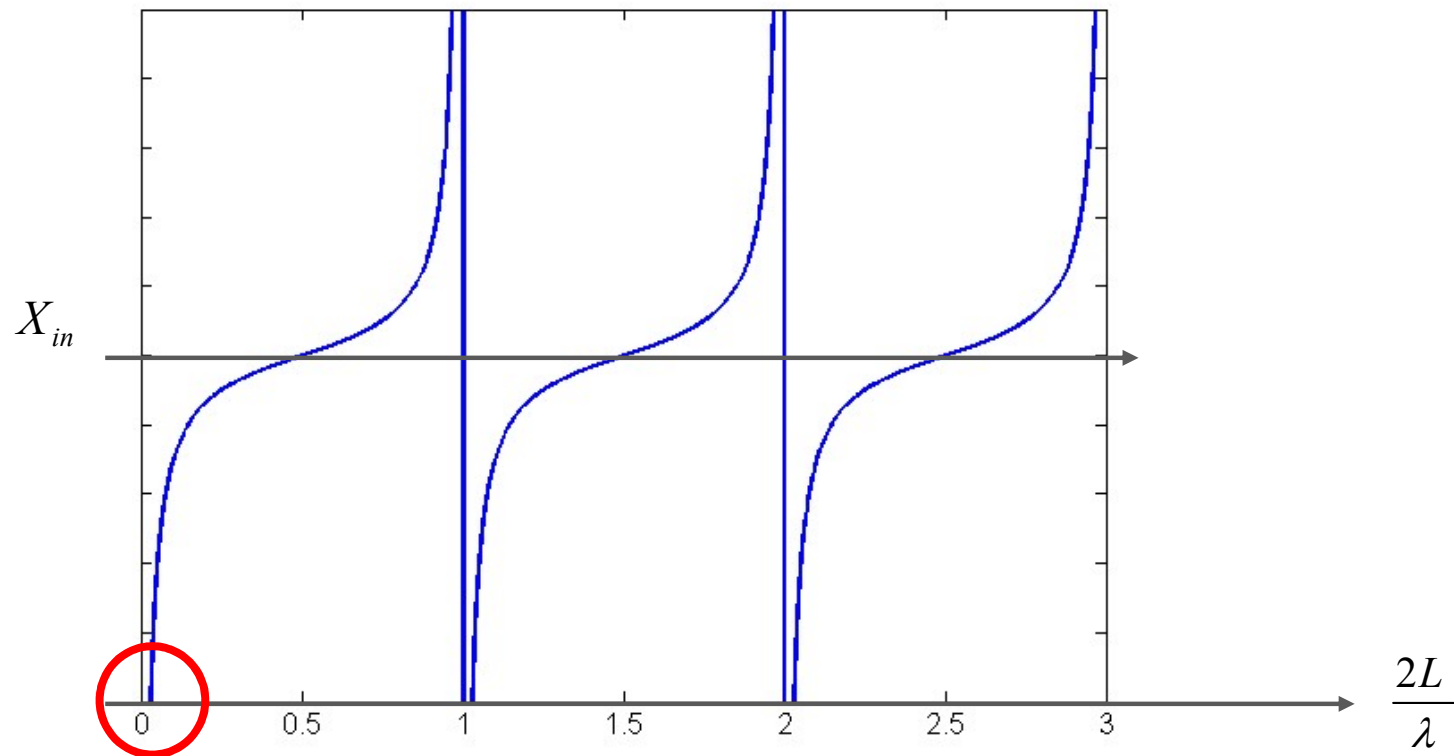
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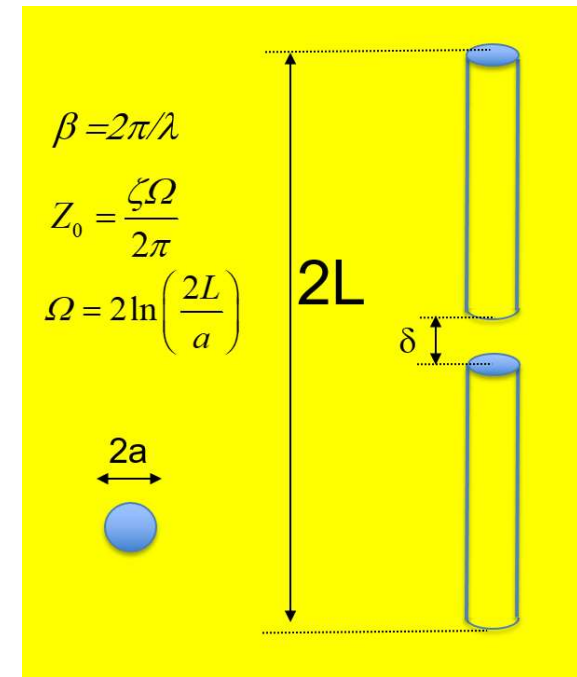
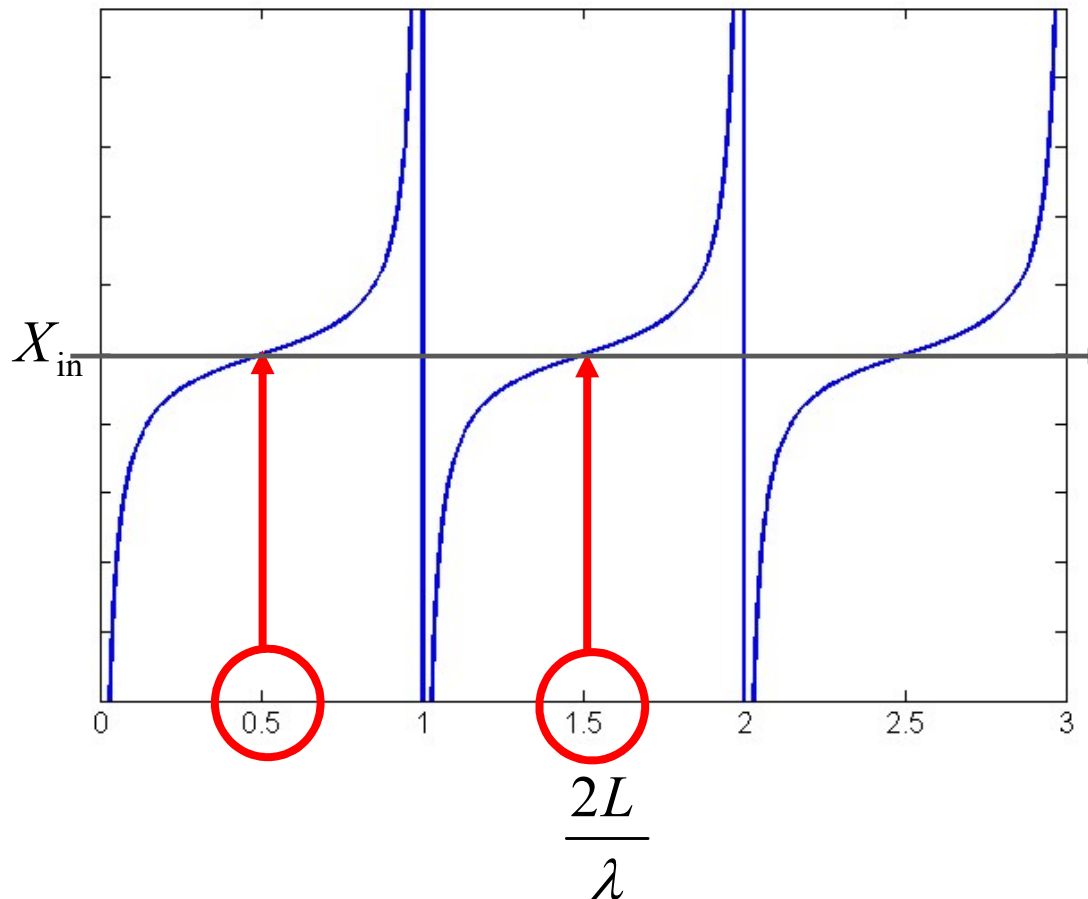
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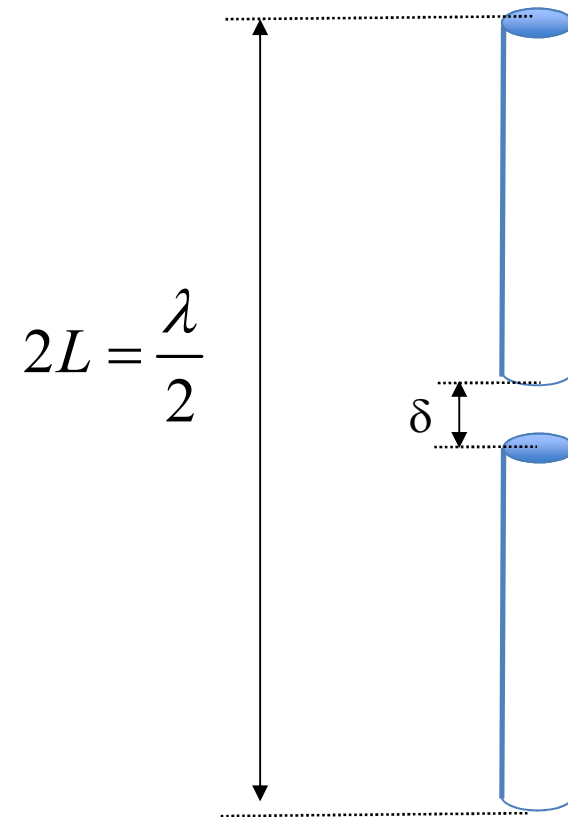
# Wire antennas

$\lambda/2$  antenna &  $3\lambda/2$  antennas





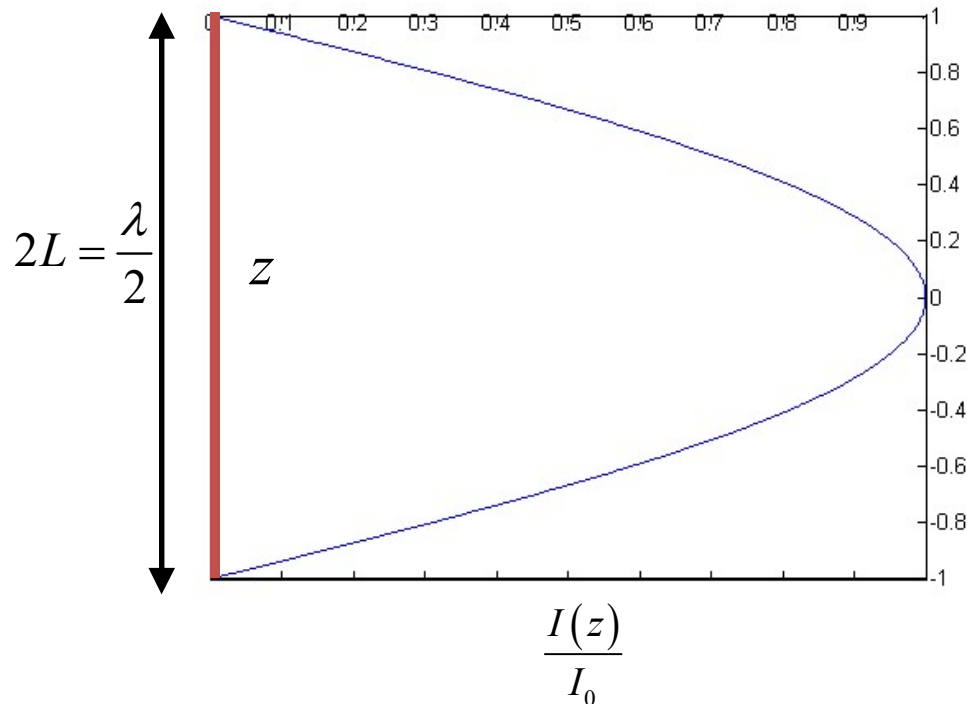
# Half wavelength antenna



# Half wavelength antenna

## Current distribution

$$\tilde{I}(z) = \frac{I(z)}{I_0} = \frac{\sin(\beta L - \beta|z|)}{\sin(\beta L)} = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}L - \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}|z|\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}L\right)}$$



$$z = 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{I}(z) = \frac{I(z)}{I_0} = \frac{I_0}{I_0} = 1$$

# Half wavelength antenna

## Pattern

$$2L = \frac{\lambda}{2} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \beta L = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \frac{\lambda}{4} = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{I}} = \frac{\lambda}{\pi} \frac{[\cos(\beta L \cos \vartheta) - \cos(\beta L)]}{\sin(\beta L) \sin \vartheta} \hat{i}_\vartheta = \frac{\lambda}{\pi} \frac{[\cos(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos \vartheta) - \cos(\frac{\pi}{2})]}{\sin(\frac{\pi}{2}) \sin \vartheta} \hat{i}_\vartheta = \frac{\lambda}{\pi} \frac{[\cos(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos \vartheta)]}{\sin \vartheta} \hat{i}_\vartheta$$

# Half wavelength antenna

## Pattern

$$2L = \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$$\vec{I} = \frac{\lambda}{\pi} \left[ \frac{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos \vartheta\right)}{\sin \vartheta} \right] \hat{i}_\vartheta$$

## Zeroes

$$\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos \vartheta\right) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\pi}{2} \cos \vartheta = \frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi \quad \Rightarrow \quad \cos \vartheta = 1 + 2n$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \cancel{n = -2 \Rightarrow \cos \vartheta = -3} \\ n = -1 \Rightarrow \cos \vartheta = -1 \Rightarrow \vartheta = \pi \\ n = 0 \Rightarrow \cos \vartheta = 1 \Rightarrow \vartheta = 0 \\ \cancel{n = 1 \Rightarrow \cos \vartheta = 3} \end{array} \right.$$

... application of the de l'Hopital rule leads to

$$\lim_{\vartheta \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos \vartheta\right)}{\sin \vartheta} \right] = \frac{0}{0} \lim_{\vartheta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\pi \sin \vartheta \cdot \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos \vartheta\right)}{2 \cos \vartheta} = 0$$

# Half wavelength antenna

## Pattern

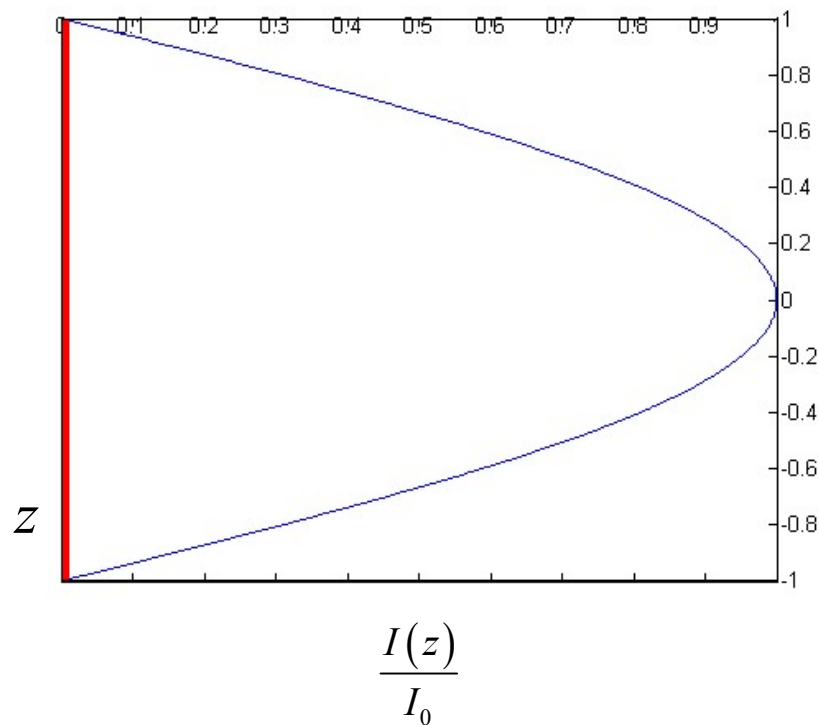
$$2L = \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{I}} = \frac{\lambda}{\pi} \left[ \frac{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos \vartheta\right)}{\sin \vartheta} \right] \hat{i}_\vartheta$$

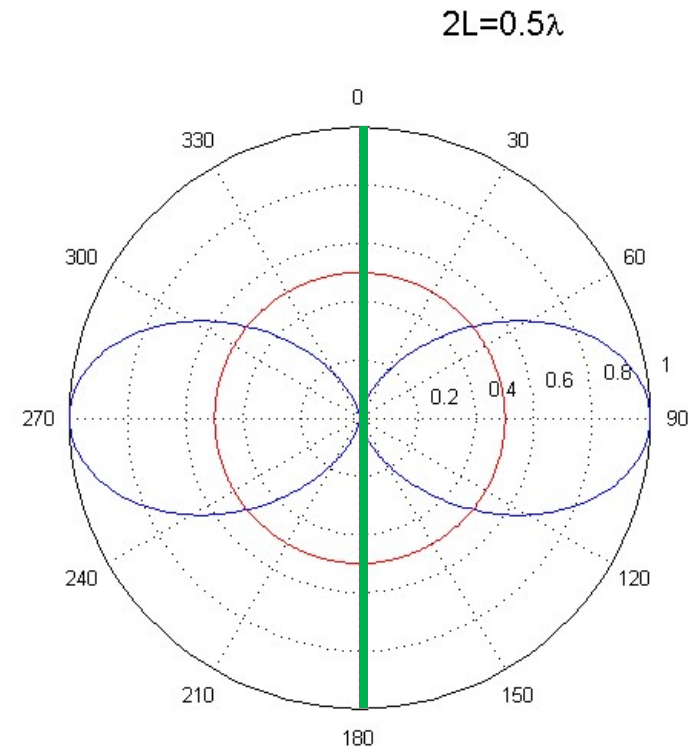
Zeroes in the region  $\vartheta \in [0, \pi]$  :  $\vartheta = 0$        $\vartheta = \pi$

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Current distribution



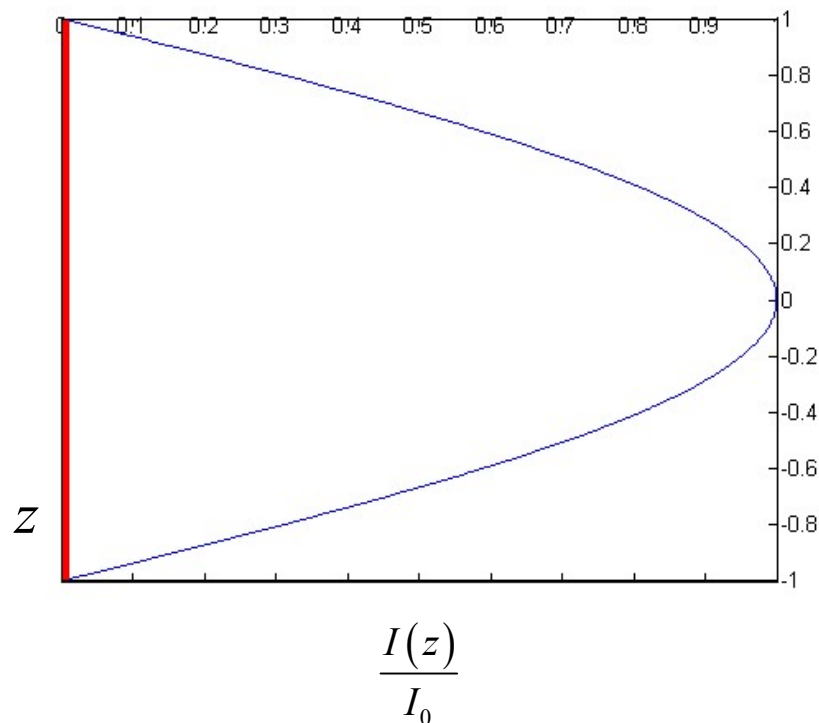
Power pattern  
(vertical plane)



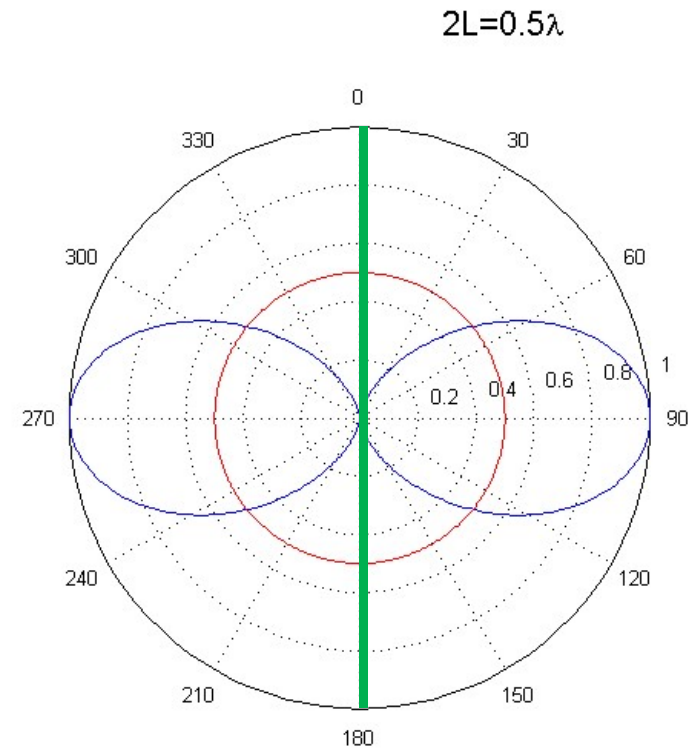
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$$R_{in} \approx 75\Omega$$

Current distribution



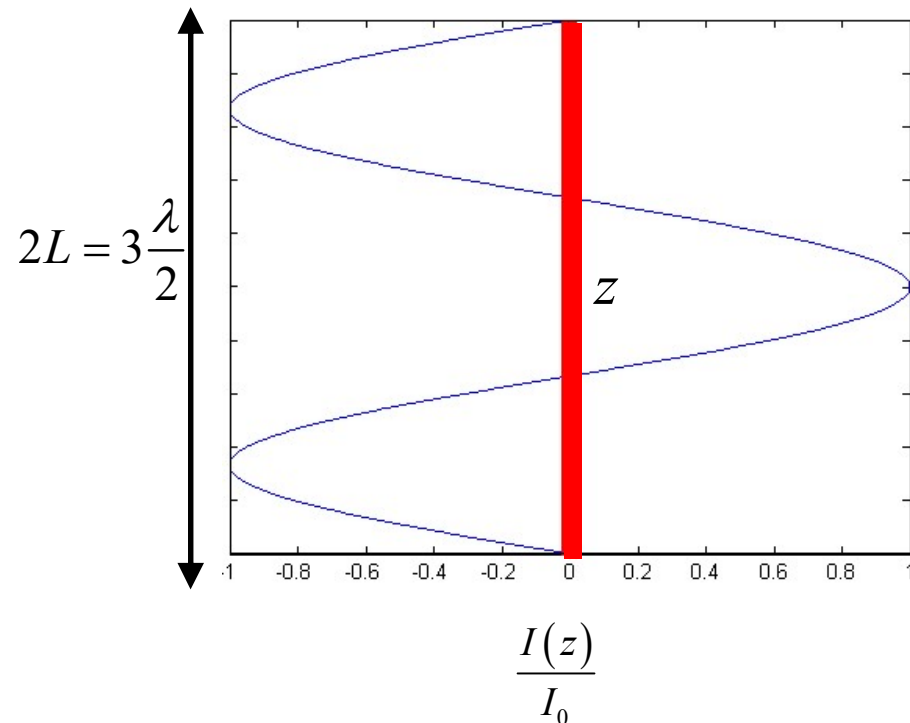
Power pattern  
(vertical plane)



# 3/2 wavelength antenna

## Current distribution

$$\tilde{I}(z) = \frac{I(z)}{I_0} = \frac{\sin(\beta L - \beta|z|)}{\sin(\beta L)} = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}L - \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}|z|\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}L\right)}$$



$$z = 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{I}(z) = \frac{I(z)}{I_0} = \frac{I_0}{I_0} = 1$$



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$$2L = \frac{3}{2}\lambda \quad \longrightarrow \quad \beta L = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \frac{3}{4}\lambda = \frac{3}{2}\pi$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{I}} = \frac{\lambda}{\pi} \frac{[\cos(\beta L \cos \vartheta) - \cos(\beta L)]}{\sin(\beta L) \sin \vartheta} \hat{i}_\vartheta = \frac{\lambda}{\pi} \frac{[\cos(\frac{3}{2}\pi \cos \vartheta) - \cos(\frac{3}{2}\pi)]}{\sin(\frac{3}{2}\pi) \sin \vartheta} \hat{i}_\vartheta = \frac{\lambda}{\pi} \frac{[\cos(\frac{3}{2}\pi \cos \vartheta)]}{\sin \vartheta} \hat{i}_\vartheta$$

# 3/2 wavelength antenna

$$2L = \frac{3}{2}\lambda$$

$$\vec{I} = -\frac{\lambda}{\pi} \frac{\left[ \cos\left(\frac{3}{2}\pi \cos \vartheta\right) \right]}{\sin \vartheta} \hat{i}_\vartheta$$

## Zeroes

$$\cos\left(\frac{3}{2}\pi \cos \vartheta\right) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{3}{2}\pi \cos \vartheta = \frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi \Rightarrow \cos \vartheta = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3}n$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \cancel{n = -3 \Rightarrow \cos \vartheta = -\frac{5}{3}} \\ n = -2 \Rightarrow \cos \vartheta = -1 \Rightarrow \vartheta = \pi \\ n = -1 \Rightarrow \cos \vartheta = -\frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \vartheta = 0.6\pi \\ n = 0 \Rightarrow \cos \vartheta = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \vartheta = 0.4\pi \\ n = 1 \Rightarrow \cos \vartheta = 1 \Rightarrow \vartheta = 0 \\ \cancel{n = 2 \Rightarrow \cos \vartheta = \frac{5}{3}} \end{array} \right.$$

... application of the de l'Hopital rule leads to

$$\lim_{\vartheta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left[ \cos\left(\frac{3}{2}\pi \cos \vartheta\right) \right]}{\sin \vartheta} = \frac{0}{0} \lim_{\vartheta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{3}{2}\pi \sin \vartheta \cdot \sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} \cos \vartheta\right)}{\cos \vartheta} = 0$$

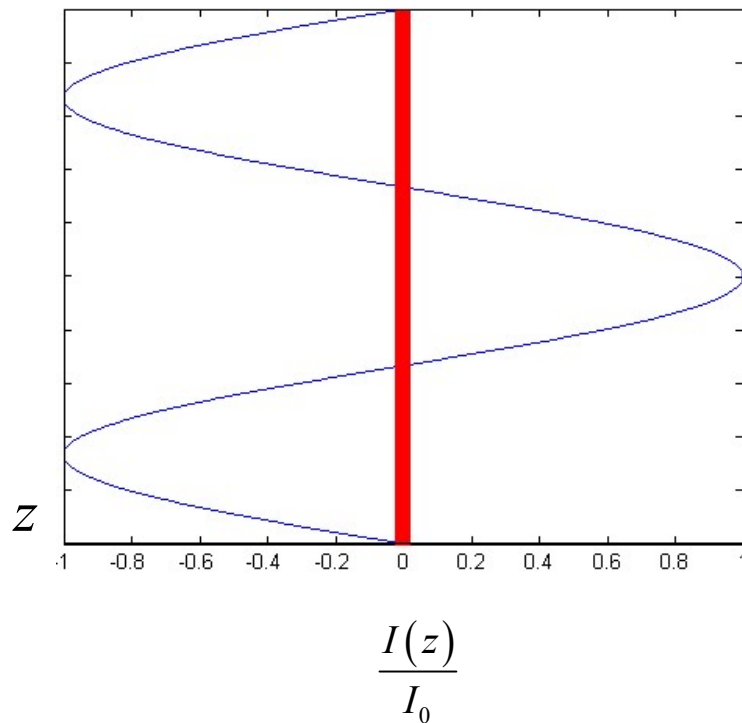
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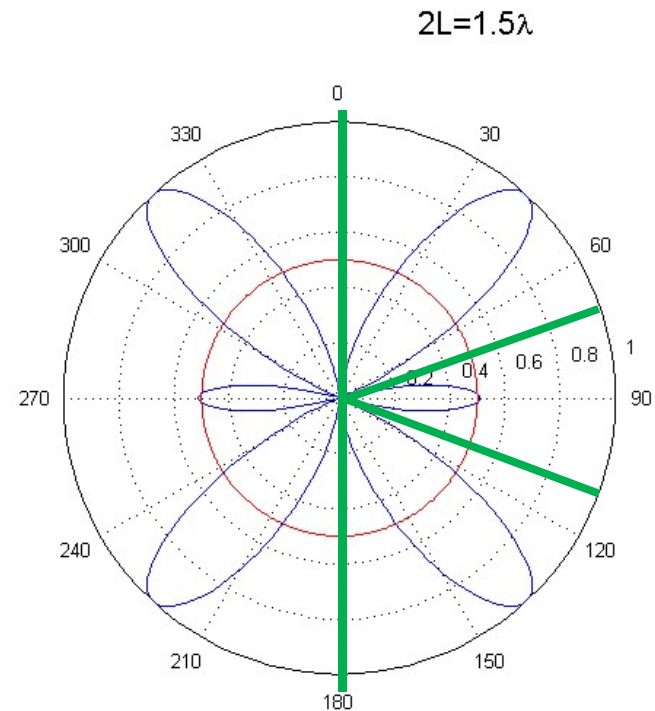
Zeros in the region  $\vartheta \in [0, \pi]$  :  $\vartheta = 0$     $\vartheta = 0.4\pi$     $\vartheta = 0.7\pi$     $\vartheta = \pi$

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Current distribution



Power pattern  
(vertical plane)

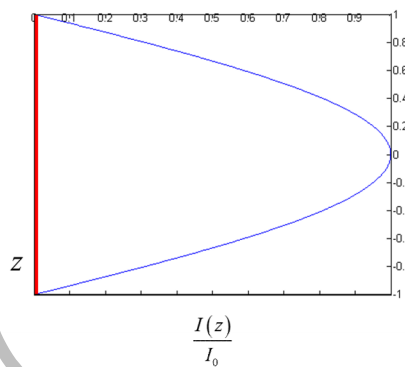


# $\lambda/2$ vs. $3\lambda/2$

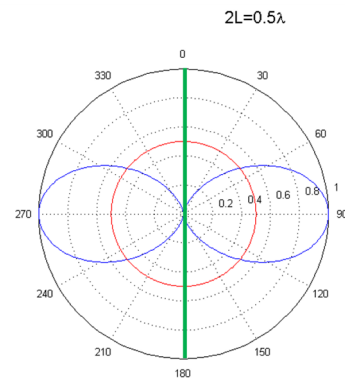
$$\vec{\mathbf{E}} = j \frac{\zeta}{2\lambda} I_0 \frac{\exp[-j\beta r]}{r} \sin \vartheta \hat{\mathbf{i}}_\vartheta \int_{-l}^l dz \frac{I(z)}{I_0} \exp(j\beta z \cos \vartheta)$$

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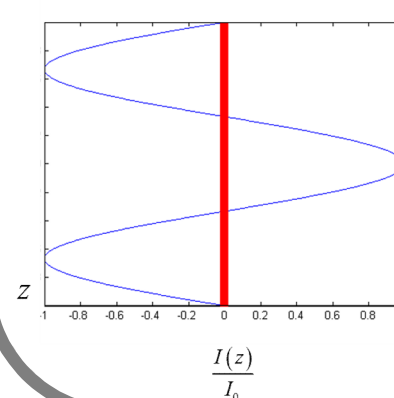


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