ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD FROM A HORIZONTAL ELECTRIC DIPOLE IN THE SPHERICAL ELECTRICALLY EARTH COATED WITH N-LAYERED DIELECTRICS

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Abstract—In this paper, the electromagnetic field in air from a radiating horizontal electric dipole located in the homogeneous isotropic spherical electrically earth coated with \( N \)-layered dielectrics is investigated anew. The starting point is based on the formulas for the electromagnetic fields in air from vertical electric and magnetic dipoles situated in air above the surface of the earth coated with \( N \)-layered dielectrics. The complete explicit formulas are derived for the electromagnetic fields in the earth due to vertical electric and magnetic dipoles located in air. By using reciprocity theorem, the formulas are readily obtained for the six components of the electromagnetic field in air radiated by a horizontal electric dipole located in the earth.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The problem of the electromagnetic (EM) field from a dipole source located on or near the surface of the spherical earth has been a subject of interest for many years. The early classic harmonic-series solution for a dipole in the presence of a homogeneous sphere was begun by Watson [1]. The subsequent further developments were made by other pioneers [2–11], such as Van del Pol, Fock, Bremmer, Norton, and Wait. Despite the remarkable progress that had already been made on this problem, some aspects of it remained in the dark. The problem was recently reexamined by Houdzounis [12,13] and Margetis [14]. The exact formulas are obtained for the complete EM field on the surface of the spherical earth when vertical and horizontal electric dipoles are located on that surface.

When the spherical earth is covered with layered dielectrics, the derivations of the EM field radiated by a dipole source are in general much more complicated. In [15–17], the complete explicit formulas have been derived for the EM field of a dipole source over the spherical conducting or electrically earth coated with a dielectric layer. Furthermore, the general case of the EM field radiated by a dipole source near the surface of the spherical earth coated with $N$-layered dielectrics has been treated in [18].

In what follows, we will attempt to determine the EM field from a horizontal electric dipole located in the spherical electrically earth. The starting point is based on the formulas for the EM fields in air due to the vertical electric and magnetic dipoles situated in air above the surface of the earth coated with $N$-layered dielectrics addressed in [18]. By using boundary conditions, the formulas of the EM fields in the earth due to vertical electric and magnetic dipoles located in air are derived readily. Based on the above results, using the reciprocity theorem, the formulas are obtained for the six components of the EM field from a horizontal electric dipole located in the earth. To illustrate the applications of the formulas obtained, computations are carried out when the layered dielectrics are composed of successive 2 spherically bounded layers, each with the thickness $l/2$. 
2. THE EM FIELD IN THE EARTH DUE TO A VERTICAL ELECTRIC DIPOLE SITUATED IN AIR

In this section we will start with the formulas for the EM field in air due to a vertical electric dipole over the surface of the spherical earth coated with \( N \)-layered dielectrics addressed in [18]. Assuming that dipole is represented by the current density \( \hat{z}Idl \delta(x) \delta(y) \delta(z - b) \), where \( b = z_s + a \), and \( z_s > 0 \) denotes the height of the dipole above the surface of the spherical earth coated with \( N \)-layered dielectrics, the relevant geometry is illustrated in Fig. 1. The general case of spherical layering is that the layered dielectrics above the earth are composed of successive \( N \) spherically bounded layers, each with arbitrary thickness \( l_j, j = 1, 2, ..., n \). The center of the sphere is the origin of a coordinate
system \((r, \theta, \phi)\). The air (Region 0, \(r \geq a\)) is characterized by the permeability \(\mu_0\), uniform permittivity \(\varepsilon_0\), and conductivity \(\sigma_0 = 0\). The \(N\)-layered dielectrics with the uniform thickness \(l\) consists of \(N\) spherical layers, e.g., \(l = l_1 + l_2 + \cdots + l_n\). The dielectric in Region \(j\) \((a - l_j' \leq r \leq a - l_j' - 1)\) is characterized by the permeability \(\mu_0\), relative permittivity \(\varepsilon_{r_j}\), and conductivity \(\sigma_j\). The earth (Region \(n+1, r \leq a - l_n'\)) is the dielectric medium characterized by the permeability \(\mu_0\), relative permittivity \(\varepsilon_{r(n+1)}\), and conductivity \(\sigma_{n+1}\). With use of a harmonic time factor \(e^{-i\omega t}\), the wave numbers of those regions are

\[
\begin{align*}
  k_0 &= \omega \sqrt{\mu_0 \varepsilon_0}, \\
  k_j &= \omega \sqrt{\mu_0 \left( \varepsilon_0 \varepsilon_{r_j} + i \frac{\sigma_j}{\omega} \right)}, \quad j = 1, 2, \ldots, n, \\
  k_{n+1} &= \omega \sqrt{\mu_0 \left( \varepsilon_0 \varepsilon_{r(n+1)} + i \frac{\sigma_{n+1}}{\omega} \right)}.
\end{align*}
\]  

(1)

The complete formulas for the components \(E^{(0)}_r\), \(E^{(0)}_\theta\), and \(H^{(0)}_\phi\) of the EM field in the air due to a vertical electric dipole at \((a + z_s, 0, 0)\), which is defined as the electric-type field, have been obtained in [18]. They are

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
  E^{(0)}_r \\
  E^{(0)}_\theta \\
  H^{(0)}_\phi
\end{bmatrix} = \frac{i I d l \cdot \eta}{\lambda a} \cdot \frac{e^{i(k a \theta + \frac{\pi}{4})}}{\sqrt{\theta \sin\theta}} \cdot \sqrt{\pi x} \times
\begin{bmatrix}
  \sum_s \frac{F_s(z_s) \cdot F_s(z_r)}{t_s - q^2} \cdot e^{i t_s x} \\
  i F_s(z_s) \cdot \frac{\partial F_s(z)}{\partial z} \bigg|_{z=z_r} \\
  \sum_s \frac{F_s(z_s) \cdot F_s(z_r) / \eta_0}{(t_s - q^2) \left[ 1 + \frac{t_s}{2} \left( \frac{2}{k_0 a} \right)^{2/3} \right]} \cdot e^{i t_s x}
\end{bmatrix}
\]

(2)

Here, \(\theta = d/a\), \(d\) is the great-circle distance between the dipole source and the observer, and \(a\) is the earth radius. \(x = (k_0 a / 2)^{1/3} \theta\) is a normalized range parameter, and \(t_s(s = 1, 2, \ldots)\) are the roots of the mode equation.

\[
W_2'(t) - qW_2(t) = 0,
\]

(3)
where
\[ q = i \frac{1}{\eta_0} \left( \frac{k_0 a}{2} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot Z_0(a). \] (4)

The surface impedance, \( Z_0(a) \), at the boundary between Regions 0 and 1 has been obtained in [18]. It is
\[ Z_0(r) = -\frac{\omega \mu_0 \gamma_1}{k_1^2} \cdot \frac{\gamma_1 l_1}{\gamma_2 \cdot k_2} \cdot \frac{\gamma_3 l_3 + \cdots + \gamma_n l_n}{\gamma_1 \cdot k_1^2} \cdot \frac{\Delta z}{r} \cdot \text{tanh} \left( i \gamma_1 l_1 \right) \cdot \text{tanh} \left( i \gamma_2 l_2 \right) \cdot \cdots \cdot \text{tanh} \left( i \gamma_n l_n \right). \] (5)

The “height-gain” function \( F_s(z) \) is defined by
\[ F_s(z) = \frac{W_2(t_s - y)}{W_2(t_s)}, \] (6)

where
\[ y = \left[ \frac{2\nu(\nu + 1)}{a^3} \right]^{1/3} z \approx \left( \frac{2}{k_0 a} \right)^{1/3} k_0 z. \] (7)

Here, \( W_2 \) is the Airy function of the second kind. \( z_r \) denotes the height of the observer above the surface of the earth coated with \( N \)-layered dielectrics. It is noted that \( z_s \) and \( z_r \) are somewhat less than the range, \( d \), while the latter is less than the earth radius, \( a \).

It is seen that, in Region \( j \) (\( j = 1, 2, \ldots, n \)), the non-zero components \( E_r^{(j)} \), \( E_\theta^{(j)} \), and \( H_\phi^{(j)} \) of the EM field can be expressed in terms of the potential function, \( U_j \), which is the solution of the scalar Helmholtz equation
\[ (\nabla^2 + k_j^2)U_j = 0, \] (8)

In spherical coordinates, because of symmetry, a solution for \( U_j \) is written in the form of
\[ U_j = \frac{1}{r} R_j(r) \Phi(\theta). \] (9)

It is well known that the azimuthal field variations can be expressed in terms of the Legendre functions of the first kind \( P_\nu(\cos(\pi - \theta)) \) and
their derivatives [15–18]. The radial field variations are determined by
the following differential equation.

$$
\frac{d^2 R_j(r)}{dr^2} + k_j^2 \left[ 1 - \frac{\nu(\nu + 1)}{k_j^2 r^2} \right] R_j(r) = 0.
$$

(10)

In Region \( j (j = 1, 2, ..., n) \), \( a - l_j \leq r \leq a - l_{j-1} \), \( l_j \ll a \), we take \( r \approx a \). Taking into account \( \nu(\nu + 1) \approx k_0^2 a^2 \), the solution of (10), which
has been addressed specifically in [18], can be written as follows:

$$
R_j(r) = B_j e^{i\gamma_j [r - (a - l_j)]} + C_j e^{-i\gamma_j [r - (a - l_j)]},
$$

(11)

where \( \gamma_j = \sqrt{k_j^2 - k_0^2} \), \( j = 1, 2, ..., n \). The surface impedance, \( Z_j(r) \), at
any point in Region \( j \) for the EM field of electric type can be expressed
as follows:

$$
Z_j(r) = \frac{E_\theta^{(j)}}{H_\phi^{(j)}} = -\frac{\omega \mu_0 \gamma_j}{k_j^2} \cdot \frac{B_j e^{i\gamma_j [r - (a - l_j)]} - C_j e^{-i\gamma_j [r - (a - l_j)]}}{B_n e^{i\gamma_n [r - (a - l_n)]} + C_j e^{-i\gamma_j [r - (a - l_j)]}}
$$

$$
= -\frac{\omega \mu_0 \gamma_j}{k_j^2} \cdot \tanh \left[ \ln \left( \frac{B_j}{C_j} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + i\gamma_j [r - (a - l_j)] \right].
$$

(12)

Taking into account the impedance boundary condition
\( Z_1(r)|_{r=a} = Z_0(r)|_{r=a} \) at \( r = a \), which is between Regions 0 and 1,
it is easily obtained

$$
\Delta_{1E} = \frac{B_1}{C_1} = \exp \left\{ 2 \tanh^{-1} \left[ \frac{\gamma_2 \cdot k_1^2}{\gamma_1 \cdot k_2^2} \cdot \tanh \left[ i\gamma_2 l_2 + \tanh^{-1} \frac{\gamma_3 \cdot k_1^2}{\gamma_2 \cdot k_3^2} \cdot \tanh \left[ i\gamma_3 l_3 + \cdots + \tanh^{-1} \frac{\gamma_n \cdot k_{n-1}^2}{\gamma_{n-1} \cdot k_n^2} \right] \right] \right] \right\},
$$

$$
\times \tanh \left[ i\gamma_n l_n + \tanh^{-1} \left( \frac{k_n \cdot \Delta_0}{\gamma_n} \right) \right] \right\}.
$$

(13)

With the boundary condition \( Z_2(r)|_{r=a-l_1} = Z_1(r)|_{r=a-l_1} \) at \( r = a - l_1 \),
we get

$$
\Delta_{2E} = \frac{B_2}{C_2} = \exp \left\{ 2 \tanh^{-1} \left[ \frac{\gamma_3 \cdot k_1^2}{\gamma_2 \cdot k_3^2} \cdot \tanh \left[ i\gamma_3 l_3 + \tanh^{-1} \frac{\gamma_4 \cdot k_2^2}{\gamma_3 \cdot k_4^2} \right] \right] \right\},
$$

$$
\times \tanh \left[ i\gamma_n l_n + \tanh^{-1} \left( \frac{k_n \cdot \Delta_0}{\gamma_n} \right) \right] \right\}.
$$

(14)
\[ \times \tanh \left[ i\gamma_3 l_3 + \cdots + \tanh^{-1} \left[ \frac{\gamma_n \cdot k_n^2 - 1}{\gamma_{n-1} \cdot k_n^2} \cdot \tanh \left[ i\gamma_n l_n \right] \right] + \tanh^{-1} \left( \frac{k_n \cdot \triangle g}{\gamma_n} \right) \right] \cdots \] 

With the boundary condition at \( r = a - l_j' \) (\( l_j' = l_1 + l_2 + \ldots + l_j \)), which is between Regions \( j \) and \( j + 1 \), we obtain

\[ \Delta_j E = \frac{B_j}{C_j} = \exp \left\{ 2 \tanh^{-1} \left[ \frac{\gamma_{j+1} \cdot k_{j+1}^2}{\gamma_j \cdot k_{j+1}^2} \cdot \tanh \left[ i\gamma_j l_j + \tanh^{-1} \left[ \frac{\gamma_{j+1} \cdot k_{j+1}^2}{\gamma_j \cdot k_{j+1}^2} \right] + \tanh^{-1} \left( \frac{k_{j+1} \cdot \triangle g}{\gamma_{j+1}} \right) \right] \cdots \right\} . \tag{14} \]

With the boundary condition at \( r = a - l_n' \) (\( l_n' = l_1 + l_2 + \ldots + l_n = l \)), we find

\[ \Delta_n E = \frac{B_n}{C_n} = \exp \left\{ 2 \tanh^{-1} \left( \frac{k_n \cdot \triangle g}{\gamma_n} \right) \right\} . \tag{15} \]

When the observer lies on the boundary between Regions 0 and 1, \( z_r = 0 \), \( F_s(0) = 1 \), \( \partial F_s(z_r)/k_0 \partial z \bigg|_{z_r=0} = -iZ_0/\eta_0 \). The complete formulas for the components \( E_r \), \( E_\theta \), and \( H_\phi \) of the EM field in Region 1 (\( a - l_1 < r < a \)) due to a vertical electric dipole at \((a + z_s, 0, 0)\) in Region 0 (\( r > a \)) can be derived readily.

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
E_r^{(1)} \\
E_\theta^{(1)} \\
H_\phi^{(1)}
\end{bmatrix} = iIdl \cdot \eta \cdot \frac{e^{i(k_0 a + \frac{\pi}{2})}}{\sqrt{\theta \sin \theta} \cdot \sqrt{\pi x}} 
\times \left[ \begin{array}{c}
k_0^2 \cdot \Delta_{1E}^{(1)} \cdot \sum_s \frac{F_s(z_s)}{t_s - q^2} \cdot e^{it_s x} \\
(\frac{k_0^2}{k_1^2}) \cdot \sum_s \frac{F_s(z_s) \cdot Z_0(a)/\eta_0}{t_s - q^2} \cdot e^{it_s x} \\
(\frac{k_0^2}{k_1^2}) \cdot \sum_s \frac{F_s(z_s)/\eta_0}{t_s - q^2} \cdot e^{it_s x}
\end{array} \right] , \tag{17}
\]
where
\[
\begin{bmatrix}
\Delta^{(1)}_{1E} \\
\Delta^{(2)}_{1E} \\
\Delta^{(3)}_{1E}
\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
\Delta_{1E} \cdot e^{i\gamma_1 [r-(a-l_1)]} + e^{-i\gamma_1 [r-(a-l_1)]} \\
\Delta_{1E} \cdot e^{i\gamma_1 [r-(a-l_1)]} + e^{-i\gamma_1 [r-(a-l_1)]} \\
\Delta_{1E} \cdot e^{i\gamma_1 [r-(a-l_1)]} - e^{-i\gamma_1 [r-(a-l_1)]} \\
\end{bmatrix}.
\] (18)

On applying the boundary conditions at \( r = a - l_1, r = a - l_2, \ldots, r = a - l_n \), we can write the complete formulas for the components \( E_r^{(n)}(r) \), \( E_\theta^{(n)} \), and \( H_\phi^{(n)} \) of the EM field at the boundary \( r = a - l \) \((l = l_1 + \ldots + l_n)\) radiated by a vertical electric dipole at \((a + z_s, 0, 0)\) in air (Region 0, \( r > a \)).
\[
\begin{bmatrix}
E_r^{(n)}(r) \\
E_\theta^{(n)} \\
H_\phi^{(n)}
\end{bmatrix}_{r=a-l} = \frac{iIdl \cdot \eta \cdot e^{i(k_{0a}a^2 + 2)}}{\lambda a \cdot \sqrt{\theta \sin \theta} \cdot \sqrt{\pi x}} \times
\begin{bmatrix}
\frac{k_0^2}{k_r^2} \cdot \Delta^{(1)}_{nE} \cdot \sum_s \frac{F_s(z_s)}{t_s - q^2} \cdot e^{it_s x} \\
\Delta^{(2)}_{nE} \cdot \sum_s \frac{F_s(z_s) \cdot Z_0(a)}{\eta_0} \cdot e^{it_s x} \\
\Delta^{(3)}_{nE} \cdot \sum_s \frac{F_s(z_s)}{\eta_0} \cdot e^{it_s x}
\end{bmatrix},
\] (19)

where
\[
\begin{bmatrix}
\Delta^{(1)}_{nE} \\
\Delta^{(2)}_{nE} \\
\Delta^{(3)}_{nE}
\end{bmatrix} = e^{i(\gamma_1 l_1 + \gamma_2 l_2 + \ldots + \gamma_n l_n)} .
\] (20)

Consequently, we obtain the following expressions for the EM field of
electric type in Region \( n+1 \).

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
E_{r}^{(n+1)} \\
E_{\theta}^{(n+1)} \\
H_{\phi}^{(n+1)}
\end{bmatrix}
_{r=a-l-d_r}
= \frac{i Idl \cdot \eta}{\lambda a} \cdot \frac{\epsilon^{i(k_0 a \theta + k_{n+1} d_r + \frac{\pi}{2})}}{\sqrt{\theta \sin \theta}} \cdot \sqrt{\pi x}
\]

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
E_{\phi}^{(n+1)} \\
E_{r}^{(n+1)} \\
H_{\theta}^{(n+1)}
\end{bmatrix}
= \frac{k_0^2}{k_{n+1}^2} \cdot \Delta_{nE}^{(1)} \cdot \sum_{s} F_s(z_s) \cdot \epsilon^{i t_s x} \\
\Delta_{nE}^{(2)} \cdot \sum_{s} \left( t_s - q^2 \right) \left[ 1 + \frac{t_s}{2} \left( \frac{2}{k_0 a} \right)^{2/3} \right] e^{i t_s x} \\
\Delta_{nE}^{(3)} \cdot \sum_{s} \frac{F_s(z_s)}{\eta_0} \left[ 1 + \frac{t_s}{2} \left( \frac{2}{k_0 a} \right)^{2/3} \right] e^{i t_s x}
\]

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
E_{\phi}^{(0)} \\
E_{r}^{(0)} \\
H_{\theta}^{(0)}
\end{bmatrix}
= \frac{\omega \mu_0 Ida}{\lambda a} e^{i(k_0 a \theta + \frac{\pi}{2})} \cdot \sqrt{\pi x} \cdot \begin{bmatrix}
\sum_{s} \frac{G_s(z_s)G_s(z_r)}{t_s - (q^h)^2} e^{i t'_s x} \\
\frac{1}{\eta_0} \sum_{s} \frac{G_s(z_s)G_s(z_r)}{t_s - (q^h)^2} e^{i t'_s x} \\
\frac{i}{\eta_0} \sum_{s} \frac{G_s(z_s) \partial G_s(z)}{k_0 \partial z} |_{z=z_r} e^{i t'_s x}
\end{bmatrix}
\]

\[
(21)
\]

3. THE EM FIELD IN THE EARTH DUE TO A VERTICAL MAGNETIC DIPOLE SITUATED IN AIR

In this section we will start with the formulas for the EM field in air due to a vertical magnetic dipole over the surface of the spherical earth coated with \( N \)-layered dielectrics. When the dipole source at \((a+z_s, 0, 0)\) is replaced by the vertical magnetic dipole with its moment \( M = Ida \), and \( da \) is the area of the loop, the complete formulas for the components \( E_{\phi}^{(0)} \), \( E_{r}^{(0)} \), and \( H_{\theta}^{(0)} \) of the EM field over the surface of the spherical earth coated with the \( N \)-layered dielectrics, which is defined as the magnetic-type field, have been derived in [18]. They are
where

\[ G_s(z) = \frac{W_2(t'_s - y)}{W_2(t'_s)}, \]  

(23)

is a “height-gain” function, and \( W_2(t'_s) \) is the Airy function of the second kind. Here, \( t'_s(s = 1, 2, ...) \) are the roots of the following mode equation

\[ W'_2(t'_s) - q^h W_2(t'_s) = 0, \]  

(24)

where

\[ q^h = \frac{i\omega \mu_0}{k_0} \left( \frac{k_0 a}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} Y_0(a). \]  

(25)

The surface admittance, \( Y_0(a) \), at \( r = a \) is expressed as follows:

\[
Y_0(r)|_{r=a} = -\frac{\gamma_1}{\omega \mu_0} \tanh \left\{ i\gamma_1 l_1 + \tanh^{-1} \left[ \frac{\gamma_2}{\gamma_1} \cdot \tanh \left[ i\gamma_2 l_2 \right] \right.ight.
\]
\[
+ \tanh^{-1} \left[ \frac{\gamma_3}{\gamma_2} \cdot \tanh \left[ i\gamma_3 l_3 + \cdots + \tanh^{-1} \left[ \frac{\gamma_n}{\gamma_{n-1}} \right. \right] \right. \n\]
\[
\left. \left. \left. \times \tanh \left[ i\gamma_n l_n + \tanh^{-1} \left( -\frac{k_n}{\gamma_n \cdot \Delta_g} \right) \right] \cdots \right] \right\}. \]  

(26)

In Region \( j \), the components \( E^{(0)}_\phi, H^{(0)}_r, \) and \( H^{(0)}_\theta \) of the EM field can be expressed in terms of a potential function, \( V_j \), which is the solution of the following scalar Helmholtz equation

\[ (\nabla^2 + k_j^2) V_j = 0. \]  

(27)

Similarly, the azimuthal field variations are expressed in terms of the Legendre functions of the first kind \( P_\nu(\cos(\pi - \theta)) \) and their derivatives, and the radial field variations are written as

\[ R'_j(r) = B'_je^{i\gamma_j[r-(a-l'_j)]} + C'_je^{-i\gamma_j[r-(a-l'_j)]}. \]  

(28)

Then, the quantity \( Y_j(r) \) of the surface admittance in Region \( j \) for the EM field of magnetic type can be arrived at the following expressions.

\[
Y_j(r) = \frac{H^{(j)}_\theta}{E^{(j)}_\phi} = -\frac{\gamma_j}{\omega \mu_0} \frac{B'_je^{i\gamma_j[r-(a-l'_j)]} - C'_je^{-i\gamma_j[r-(a-l'_j)]}}{B'_je^{i\gamma_j[r-(a-l'_j)]} + C'_je^{-i\gamma_j[r-(a-l'_j)]}} \]
\[
= \tanh \left\{ \ln \left( \frac{B'_j}{C'_j} \right)^{1/2} + i\gamma_j[r-(a-l'_j)] \right\}. \]  

(29)
Taking into account the impedance boundary condition $Y_1(r)|_{r=a} = Y_0(r)|_{r=a}$ at $r = a$, it is easily obtained.

$$\triangle_{1M} = \frac{B'_1}{C'_1} = \exp \left\{ 2 \tanh^{-1} \left[ \frac{\gamma_2}{\gamma_1} \cdot \tanh \left[ i \gamma_2 l_2 + \tanh^{-1} \left( \frac{\gamma_3}{\gamma_2} \right) \right] \right] \right\},$$

(30)

With the boundary condition $Y_2(r)|_{r=a-l'} = Y_1(r)|_{r=a-l'}$ at $r = a - l'_1$, we get

$$\triangle_{2M} = \frac{B'_2}{C'_2} = \exp \left\{ 2 \tanh^{-1} \left[ \frac{\gamma_3}{\gamma_2} \cdot \tanh \left[ i \gamma_3 l_3 + \tanh^{-1} \left( \frac{\gamma_4}{\gamma_3} \right) \right] \right] \right\},$$

(31)

With the boundary condition at $r = a - l'_j$ ($l'_j = l_1 + l_2 + ... + l_j$), we obtain

$$\triangle_{jM} = \frac{B'_j}{C'_j} = \exp \left\{ 2 \tanh^{-1} \left[ \frac{\gamma_{j+1}}{\gamma_j} \cdot \tanh \left[ i \gamma_{j+1} l_{j+1} + \tanh^{-1} \left( \frac{\gamma_{j+1}}{\gamma_j} \right) \right] \right] \right\},$$

(32)

With the boundary condition at $r = a - l$, ($l = l_1 + l_2 + ... + l_n$), we find

$$\triangle_{nM} = \frac{B'_n}{C'_n} = \exp \left\{ 2 \tanh^{-1} \left( - \frac{k_n}{\gamma_n \cdot \Delta_g} \right) \right\},$$

(33)

When the observer lies on the boundary between Regions 0 and 1, $z_r = 0$, $G_s(0) = 1$, $\partial G_s(z_r)/(k_0 \partial z)|_{z_r=0} = -i \eta_0 Y_0(a)$, the complete formulas for the components $E^{(1)}_\phi$, $H^{(1)}_r$, and $H^{(1)}_\theta$ of the EM field...
in Region 1 \((a - l_1 < r < a)\) due to a vertical magnetic dipole at \((a + z_s, 0, 0)\) in Region 0 \((r > a)\) are obtained as follows:

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
E_{\phi}^{(1)} \\
H_r^{(1)} \\
H_\theta^{(1)} 
\end{bmatrix} = \frac{i \omega \mu_0 I da}{\lambda a} \cdot \frac{e^{i(k_0a\theta + \frac{x}{4})}}{\sqrt{\theta \sin \theta}} \cdot \sqrt{\pi x}
\]

\[
\times \begin{bmatrix}
\triangle_{1M}^{(1)} \cdot \sum_s G_s(z_s) \\
\triangle_{1M}^{(2)} \cdot \sum_s \frac{G_s(z_s)}{\eta_0} t_s' - (q_h)^2 \cdot e^{it'_s x} \\
\triangle_{1M}^{(3)} \cdot \sum_s \frac{G_s(z_s) \cdot Y_0(a)}{\eta_0} t_s' - (q_h)^2 \cdot e^{it'_s x}
\end{bmatrix}, \quad (34)
\]

where
\[
\begin{bmatrix}
\triangle_{1M}^{(1)} \\
\triangle_{1M}^{(2)} \\
\triangle_{1M}^{(3)}
\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
\triangle_{1M} \cdot e^{i \gamma_1[r-(a-l_1)]} + e^{-i \gamma_1[r-(a-l_1)]} \\
\triangle_{1M} \cdot e^{i \gamma_1[r-(a-l_1)]} + e^{-i \gamma_1[r-(a-l_1)]} \\
\triangle_{1M} \cdot e^{i \gamma_1[r-(a-l_1)]} - e^{-i \gamma_1[r-(a-l_1)]}
\end{bmatrix}
\]

With the boundary conditions at \(r = a - l'_1, r = a - l'_2, \ldots, r = a - l'_n\), we arrive at the following formulas for the components \(E_r^{(n)}\), \(E_{\phi}^{(n)}\), and \(H_\theta^{(n)}\) of the EM field at the \(r = a - l\) \((l = l_1 + \ldots + l_n)\).

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
E_{\phi}^{(n)} \\
H_r^{(n)} \\
H_\theta^{(n)}
\end{bmatrix} = \frac{\omega \mu_0 I da}{\lambda a} \cdot \frac{e^{i(k_0a\theta + \frac{x}{4})}}{\sqrt{\theta \sin \theta}} \cdot \sqrt{\pi x}
\]

\[
\times \begin{bmatrix}
\triangle_{nM}^{(1)} \cdot \sum_s G_s(z_s) \\
\triangle_{nM}^{(2)} \cdot \sum_s \frac{G_s(z_s)}{\eta_0} t_s' - (q_h)^2 \cdot e^{it'_s x} \\
\triangle_{nM}^{(3)} \cdot \sum_s \frac{G_s(z_s) \cdot Y_0(a)}{\eta_0} t_s' - (q_h)^2 \cdot e^{it'_s x}
\end{bmatrix}, \quad (36)
\]
where

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
\Delta_{nM}^{(1)} \\
\Delta_{nM}^{(2)} \\
\Delta_{nM}^{(3)}
\end{bmatrix} = e^{i(\gamma_1 l_1 + \gamma_2 l_2 + \cdots + \gamma_n l_n)} .
\]

Then, it follows the complete formulas for the EM field in Region \( n + 1 \).

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
E_{\phi}^{(n+1)} \\
H_{r}^{(n+1)} \\
H_{\theta}^{(n+1)}
\end{bmatrix}_{r = a - l - d_s} = \frac{\omega \mu_0 I d_s}{\lambda a} \cdot \frac{e^{i(k_0 a \theta + k_{n+1} d_s + \frac{\pi}{4})}}{\sqrt{\theta \sin \theta}} \cdot \sqrt{\pi x} \cdot \cos \phi
\]

\[\times\]

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
\Delta_{nM}^{(1)} \cdot \sum_s G_s(z_s) \cdot e^{i t_s' x} \\
\Delta_{nM}^{(2)} \cdot \sum_s \frac{G_s(z_s) / \eta_0}{t_s' - (q h)^2} \cdot e^{i t_s' x} \\
\Delta_{nM}^{(3)} \cdot \sum_s \frac{G_s(z_s) Y_0(a) / \eta_0}{t_s - (q h)^2} \cdot e^{i t_s' x}
\end{bmatrix} .
\]

4. THE EM FIELD IN AIR OF A HORIZONTAL ELECTRIC DIPOLE LOCATED IN THE EARTH

In this section, we attempt to formulate the formulas of the EM field in air due to a horizontal electric dipole, \( I d_s \) he, which is located at the depth \( d_s \) of the earth, as illustrated in Fig. 2. From the above expressions of the EM fields in the earth (Region \( n + 1 \)) from vertical electric and magnetic dipoles in air (Region 0), by using reciprocity theorem, it is fairly straightforward to arrive the expressions of the vertical electric field \( E_r^{he(0)} \) and the vertical magnetic field \( H_r^{he(0)} \) in air when a horizontal electric dipole is located in the earth.

\[
E_r^{he(0)} = - \frac{i \eta I d_s^{he}}{\lambda a} \cdot \frac{e^{i(k_0 a \theta + k_{n+1} d_s + \frac{\pi}{4})}}{\sqrt{\theta \sin \theta}} \cdot \sqrt{\pi x} \cdot \cos \phi
\]
Figure 2. The horizontal electric dipole at the depth $d_s$ in the spherical earth coated with $N$-layered dielectrics: $l'_j = l_1 + \cdots + l_j$, $j = 1, 2, \ldots, n$.

$$H_{r}^{he(0)} = \frac{i\mu d_{s}^{he}}{\lambda a} \cdot \frac{e^{i(k_{0a}\theta + k_{n+1}d_{s}\frac{\pi}{2})}}{\sqrt{\theta \sin \theta}} \cdot \sqrt{\pi x} \cdot \sin \phi$$

Here, $\phi$ is the orientation angle between the dipole source and the observer, and the horizontal dipole is located at $(a - l - d_s, 0, 0)$. In spherical coordinates, from Maxwell’s equations, the rest four
components $E_{\theta}^{he(0)}$, $E_{\phi}^{he(0)}$, $H_{\theta}^{he(0)}$, and $H_{\phi}^{he(0)}$ can be expressed in terms of $E_{r}^{he(0)}$ and $H_{r}^{he(0)}$.

\begin{align}
\left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + k^2 \right) (rH_{\phi}^{he(0)}) &= i\omega\epsilon_0 \frac{\partial E_{r}^{he(0)}}{\partial \theta} + \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial^2 H_{r}^{he(0)}}{\partial r \partial \phi}, \\
\left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + k^2 \right) (rE_{\theta}^{he(0)}) &= \frac{\partial^2 E_{r}^{he(0)}}{\partial r \partial \theta} + i\omega\mu_0 \frac{\partial H_{r}^{he(0)}}{\partial \phi}, \\
\left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + k^2 \right) (rH_{\theta}^{he(0)}) &= -i\omega\epsilon_0 \frac{\partial E_{r}^{he(0)}}{\sin \theta} + \frac{\partial^2 H_{r}^{he(0)}}{\partial r \partial \theta}, \\
\left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + k^2 \right) (rE_{\phi}^{he(0)}) &= \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial^2 E_{r}^{he(0)}}{\partial r \partial \phi} - i\omega\mu_0 \frac{\partial H_{r}^{he(0)}}{\partial \theta}.
\end{align}

From (41), we get

\begin{align}
\nu(\nu + 1) (H_{\phi}^{he(0)}) &= i\omega\epsilon_0 \frac{\partial E_{r}^{he(0)}}{\partial \theta} + \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial^2 H_{r}^{he(0)}}{\partial r \partial \phi}. 
\end{align}

Taking into account the relation $\nu(\nu + 1)/r \approx k_0^2 a$, as a result of some straightforward operations we obtain the following expression for the component $H_{\phi}^{he(0)}$.

\begin{align}
H_{\phi}^{he(0)} &= -\frac{i\lambda s^{he}}{\lambda a} \cdot \frac{e^{i(k_0 a \theta + k_{n+1} d_s + \pi/4)}}{\sqrt{\pi x} \cdot \cos \phi} \\
&\times \left[ \sum_s \Delta_n^{(2)} E \cdot Z_0(a) / \eta_0 \cdot F_s(z_r) t_s - q^2 \right] \cdot e^{it_s x} + \frac{1}{k_0 a \sin \theta} \\
&\times \sum_s \frac{\Delta_n^{(1)} M \cdot k_0 \partial z}{t_s - (q^0)^2} \cdot e^{it_s x},
\end{align}

Similarly, we obtain

\begin{align}
H_{\theta}^{he(0)} &= \frac{\lambda s^{he}}{\lambda a} \cdot \frac{e^{i(k_0 a \theta + k_{n+1} d_s + \pi/4)}}{\sqrt{\pi x} \cdot \sin \phi} \\
&\times \left[ \frac{1}{k_0 a \sin \theta} \sum_s \frac{\Delta_n^{(2)} E \cdot Z_0(a) / \eta_0 \cdot F_s(z_r)}{(t_s - q^2) \left[ 1 + t_s \left( \frac{2}{k_0 a} \right)^{2/3} \right]} \right] \cdot e^{it_s x}.
\end{align}
\[- \sum_s \Delta^{(1)}_{nM} \cdot \frac{\partial G_s(z)|_{z=z_r}}{k_0 \partial z} \cdot e^{i t_s x} \cdot e^{i t_s x}, \quad (47)\]

\[E_{he}^{(0)}(\theta) = \frac{\eta I ds^{he}}{\lambda a} \cdot \frac{e^{i(k_0 \alpha + k_{n+1} s + \frac{\pi}{4})}}{\sqrt{\theta \sin \theta}} \cdot \sqrt{\pi x} \cdot \cos \phi \times \left[ - \sum_s \Delta^{(2)}_{nE} \cdot Z_0(a)/\eta_0 \cdot \frac{\partial F_s(z)|_{z=z_r}}{k_0 \partial z} \cdot e^{i t_s x} \right]
+ \frac{1}{k_0 a \sin \phi} \sum_s \Delta^{(1)}_{nM} \cdot G_s(z_r) \cdot e^{i t_s x}, \quad (48)\]

\[E_{he}^{(0)}(\phi) = \frac{i \eta I ds^{he}}{\lambda a} \cdot \frac{e^{i(k_0 \alpha + k_{n+1} s + \frac{\pi}{4})}}{\sqrt{\theta \sin \theta}} \cdot \sqrt{\pi x} \cdot \sin \phi \times \left[ \frac{i}{k_0 a \sin \phi} \sum_s \Delta^{(2)}_{nE} \cdot Z_0(a)/\eta_0 \cdot \frac{\partial F_s(z)|_{z=z_r}}{k_0 \partial z} \right]
+ \sum_s \Delta^{(1)}_{nM} \cdot G_s(z_r) \cdot e^{i t_s x}, \quad (49)\]

where the superscript \textit{he} designates that the EM field is radiated by a horizontal electric dipole. From the results obtained, it is seen that the EM field consists of the electric-type and magnetic-type terms when a horizontal electric dipole is located in the earth coated with N-layered dielectrics.

5. COMPUTATIONS AND ANALYSIS

To illustrate the complete formulas for the EM field in N-layered spherical regions from a dipole source, the computations are carried out when the layered dielectrics are composed of a succession of 2 spherically bounded layers, each with the thickness \(l/2\). Assuming that \(l = 100\) m, the radius of the earth is \(a = 6370\) km, Region 1 \((a - l/2 < r < a)\) is characterized by the relative permittivity \(\varepsilon_r 1 = 10\) and conductivity \(\sigma_1 = 10^{-5}\) S/m, Region 2 \((a - l < r < a - l/2)\) is...
characterized by the relative permittivity $\varepsilon_{r2} = 20$ and conductivity $\sigma_2 = 2 \times 10^{-5}$ S/m, and the earth (Region 3, $r < a - l$) is characterized by the relative permittivity $\varepsilon_{r3} = 100$ and conductivity $\sigma_3 = 4$ S/m, a vertical electric dipole is placed on the surface of the spherical earth coated with layered dielectrics, $z_s = 0$ m, and the observer is located at the depth $d_r = 1$ m below the layered dielectrics, the electric field $|E_r|$ in V/m and the magnetic field $|H_\phi|$ in A/m at $f = 100$ kHz, and $f = 200$ kHz are computed and plotted in Figs. 3 and 4, respectively. It is seen that the interference occurs for the EM field of electric type when the thickness of the layered dielectrics is larger than a certain value. Assuming that all parameters are same with those in Figs. 3 and 4, the electric field $|E_\phi|$ in V/m and the magnetic field $|H_r|$ in A/m due to unit vertical magnetic dipole at $f = 100$ kHz and $f = 200$ kHz are computed and plotted in Figs. 5 and 6, respectively. Obviously, the interference does not occur for the EM field of magnetic type.

Assuming that the parameters of all regions are same with those in Figs. 3 and 4, and the height of the observer and the depth of the dipole source are $z_r = d_s = 1$ m, the electric field $|E_r|$ in V/m and the

![Figure 3](image_url)

**Figure 3.** The electric field $|E_r|$ in V/m and the magnetic field $|H_\phi|$ in A/m at $f = 100$ kHz in the spherical earth due to unit vertical electric dipole versus the propagating distance $\rho$; $l = 100$ m, $a = 6370$ km, $\varepsilon_{r1} = 10$, $\varepsilon_{r2} = 20$, $\varepsilon_{r3} = 100$, $\sigma_1 = 10^{-5}$ S/m, $\sigma_2 = 2 \times 10^{-5}$ S/m, $\sigma_3 = 4$ S/m, $d_r = 1$ m, and $z_s = 0$ m.
Figure 4. The electric field $|E_r|$ in V/m and the magnetic field $|H_\phi|$ in A/m at $f = 200$ kHz in the spherical earth due to unit vertical electric dipole versus the propagating distance $\rho$; $l = 100$ m, $a = 6370$ km, $\varepsilon_{r1} = 10$, $\varepsilon_{r2} = 20$, $\varepsilon_{r3} = 100$, $\sigma_1 = 10^{-5}$ S/m, $\sigma_2 = 2 \times 10^{-5}$ S/m, $\sigma_3 = 4$ S/m, $d_r = 1$ m, and $z_s = 0$ m.

Figure 5. The electric field $|E_\phi|$ in V/m and the magnetic field $|H_r|$ in A/m in the spherical earth at $f = 100$ kHz due to unit vertical magnetic dipole versus the propagating distance $\rho$; $l = 100$ m, $a = 6370$ km, $\varepsilon_{r1} = 10$, $\varepsilon_{r2} = 20$, $\varepsilon_{r3} = 100$, $\sigma_1 = 10^{-5}$ S/m, $\sigma_2 = 2 \times 10^{-5}$ S/m, $\sigma_3 = 4$ S/m, $d_r = 1$ m, and $z_s = 0$ m.
Figure 6. The electric field $|E_\phi|$ in V/m and the magnetic field $|H_r|$ in A/m in the earth at $f = 200$ kHz due to unit vertical magnetic dipole versus the propagating distance $\rho$; $l = 100$ m, $a = 6370$ km, $\varepsilon_r1 = 10$, $\varepsilon_r2 = 20$, $\varepsilon_r3 = 100$, $\sigma_1 = 10^{-5}$ S/m, $\sigma_2 = 2 \times 10^{-5}$ S/m, $\sigma_3 = 4$ S/m, $d_r = 1$ m, and $z_s = 0$ m.

magnetic fields $|H_\phi|$ in A/m due to unit horizontal electric dipole at $f = 100$ kHz and $f = 200$ kHz are calculated and plotted in Figs. 7 and 8, respectively. In order to demonstrate the influence of the thickness of the layered dielectrics, the electric fields $|E_r|$ in V/m and the magnetic fields $|H_\phi|$ in A/m at $l = 60$ m, $l = 100$ m, and $l = 140$ m are shown in Figs. 9 and 10, respectively.

6. CONCLUSIONS

From the above derivations and computations, it is seen that the interference occurs for the EM field radiated by horizontal or vertical electric dipoles when the thickness of the layered dielectrics is larger than a certain value and the interference does not occur for the EM field radiated by vertical magnetic dipole. It has been demonstrated that the excitation efficiency of horizontal or vertical electric dipoles is much higher than that of a vertical magnetic dipole. The formulas and computations for the EM field radiated by electrically horizontal antenna located in the earth or vertical antenna in air have useful applications in the communication to the observer in the air or in the asphalt- and cement-coated spherical earth at low frequencies.
Figure 7. The electric field $|E_r|$ in V/m in the air at $f = 100$ kHz and $f = 200$ kHz due to unit horizontal electric dipole in the earth versus the propagating distance $\rho; l = 100$ m, $a = 6370$ km, $\varepsilon_{r1} = 10$, $\varepsilon_{r2} = 20$, $\varepsilon_{r3} = 100$, $\sigma_1 = 10^{-5}$ S/m, $\sigma_2 = 2 \times 10^{-5}$ S/m, $\sigma_3 = 4$ S/m, and $d_s = z_r = 1$ m, and $\phi = 0$.

Figure 8. The magnetic field $|H_\phi|$ in A/m at $f = 100$ kHz and $f = 200$ kHz due to unit horizontal electric dipole versus the propagating distance $\rho; l = 100$ m, $a = 6370$ km, $\varepsilon_{r1} = 10$, $\varepsilon_{r2} = 20$, $\varepsilon_{r3} = 100$, $\sigma_1 = 10^{-5}$ S/m, $\sigma_2 = 2 \times 10^{-5}$ S/m, $\sigma_3 = 4$ S/m, and $d_s = z_r = 1$ m, and $\phi = 0$. 
Figure 9. The electric field $|E_r|$ in V/m at $l = 60$ m, $l = 100$ m, and $l = 140$ m due to unit horizontal electric dipole versus the propagating distance $\rho$; $f = 100$ kHz, $a = 6370$ km, $\varepsilon_{r1} = 10$, $\varepsilon_{r2} = 20$, $\varepsilon_{r3} = 100$, $\sigma_1 = 10^{-5}$ S/m, $\sigma_2 = 2 \times 10^{-5}$ S/m, $\sigma_3 = 4$ S/m, and $d_s = z_r = 1$ m, and $\phi = 0$.

Figure 10. The magnetic field $|H_\phi|$ in A/m at $l = 60$ m, $l = 100$ m, and $l = 140$ m due to unit horizontal electric dipole in the earth versus the propagating distance $\rho$; $f = 100$ kHz, $a = 6370$ km, $\varepsilon_{r1} = 10$, $\varepsilon_{r2} = 20$, $\varepsilon_{r3} = 100$, $\sigma_1 = 10^{-5}$ S/m, $\sigma_2 = 2 \times 10^{-5}$ S/m, $\sigma_3 = 4$ S/m, and $d_s = z_r = 1$ m, and $\phi = 0$. 
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