Study of the Calculation Method of Shielding Effectiveness of Rectangle Enclosure with an Electrically Large Aperture

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Abstract—An analytical model based on the Bethe's theory of diffraction by small holes is presented to predict the shielding effectiveness (SE) of metallic rectangular enclosure with electrically large aperture under plane wave illumination over a wide frequency range (0 \sim 3 GHz). In this model, the aperture is represented as electric and magnetic dipoles located at the center of the aperture, and the coupling relation between external plane wave and electromagnetic field inside the enclosure is established. The approximate solution of electromagnetic field distribution inside the enclosure is obtained in terms of the integrals of the electric and magnetic dynamic Green function. Finally, the influence of enclosure thickness on SE is calculated by introducing thickness attenuation coefficient. The model considers the effect of the thickness on the calculation results and is simple with low computation complex and high estimation accuracy. Besides, the effects of parameters like enclosure and aperture dimensions, aperture and observation point positions, incident and polarization direction of the plane wave on SE can be analyzed comprehensively based on the model. Simulation results of the proposed model are in accord with that of the TLM method, which verifies the accuracy and reliability of the model.

1. INTRODUCTION

With the requirements of practical application such as electric connection, ventilation and cooling, generally there are apertures on the metallic shielding enclosure, which significantly degrades the shielding performance of the enclosure. Therefore, it is of great practical significance to find an appropriate computational method to calculate the SE of an enclosure with aperture quickly and accurately. At present, the calculation methods for SE of shielding enclosure mainly include two major categories: numerical methods and analytical formulations. Numerical methods mainly include the transmission line matrix (TLM) method [1], the method of moments (MOM) [2], the finite-difference time-domain method (FDTD) [3] and so on, which can deal with complex structures with high computational accuracy, but high computational cost and memory requirements. For analytical formulations, there are many simplifications and approximations in the calculation process. Nevertheless, the methods have the dominant advantages of clearer physical meaning and higher efficiency for the computation, which are more appropriate for practical engineering.

One of the representative analytical formulations is proposed by Robinson et al. based on transmission line model [4]. In this method, the rectangular enclosure is modeled by a short-circuited rectangular waveguide and the aperture is represented by a coplanar strip transmission line. However, the method can only handle the cases that i) the incident plane wave has one polarization and direction of travel, ii) the aperture positioned centrally in the front panel of the enclosure, iii) the observation point positioned at the central axis of the enclosure, iv) only the fundamental propagation mode is considered. Thus a great deal of work has been done to improve Robinson's model, which can solve the problem of oblique plane wave incidence direction, arbitrary aperture position, arbitrary observation

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point position, multiple sides apertures, inner windows and multi-mode condition [5–13]. However, these methods cannot solve the problem of electrically large aperture. Another analytical formulation is proposed based on the Bethe's theory of diffraction by small holes. These methods have a clearer physical meaning for the aperture coupling process. Nevertheless, the classical Bethe's theory is also limited to small apertures. Cohn proposed a modified Bethe's theory to study the coupling of two waveguides by a large aperture in a common wall [17]. Solin studied the analytical formulations of SE of enclosure with electrically small and electrically large aperture based on the modified Bethe's and waveguide theory, and the calculation results of the formula are in good agreement with that of TLM method [14, 15]. But the model of Solin requires a lot of multiple summation procedures, which showed high computational complexity. Meanwhile, the effect of the thickness on the calculation is not considered in Solin's model. It means that if the enclosure thickness is large enough, Solin's model will result in large calculation errors.

An analytical model based on the modified Bethe's theory is presented in this paper to predict the SE of metallic rectangular enclosure with electrically large aperture under plane wave illumination. The model considers the effect of the thickness on the calculation results and is simple with low computation complex and high estimation accuracy. Besides, the effects of parameters such as the elevation, azimuth and polarization angles of the plane wave, enclosure and aperture dimensions, aperture and observation point position as well as the higher order modes on SE can be taken into account comprehensively. Simulation results of the proposed model are in accord with that of the TLM method, which verifies the accuracy and reliability of the model.

2. ANALYTICAL MODEL

As shown in Fig. 1, the proposed model consists of a rectangular enclosure with an aperture. The dimensions of the rectangular enclosure are $a \times b \times d$ with thickness of t and the dimension of the rectangular aperture is $l \times w$, the center point of the aperture is located at $A(x_a, y_a, 0)$. The arbitrary SE observation point is located at $P(x_p, y_p, z_p)$ within the enclosure. The incident plane wave propagates along arbitrary incident direction with arbitrary polarization direction shown in Fig. 2, where φ is the azimuth angle, ϑ the elevation angle, and α the polarization angle.

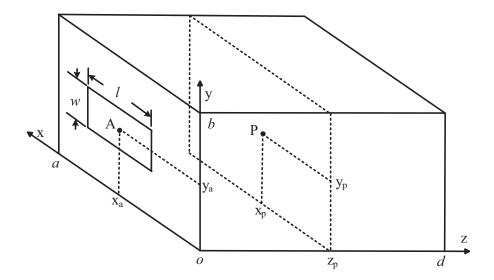


Figure 1. Geometry of an enclosure with an aperture.

2.1. Plane Wave Decomposition

The electric field vector at any point in free space can be described as

$$\mathbf{E} = E_0(e_x\hat{\mathbf{x}} + e_y\hat{\mathbf{y}} + e_z\hat{\mathbf{x}})e^{-j(k_xx + k_yy + k_zz)}$$
(1)

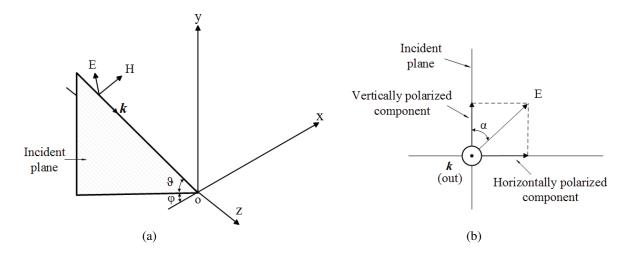


Figure 2. Sketch map of plane wave radiation. (a) Wave vector; (b) Polarization.

where E_0 is the electric field amplitude, and the electric field vector \mathbf{E} can be converted from spherical coordinates with azimuth angle, elevation angle and polarization angle

$$E_x = E_0 \sin \alpha \sin \varphi + \cos \alpha \cos \varphi \sin \vartheta \tag{2a}$$

$$E_y = E_0 \cos \alpha \cos \vartheta \tag{2b}$$

$$E_z = E_0 \cos \alpha \sin \varphi \sin \theta - \sin \alpha \cos \varphi \tag{2c}$$

the wave vector \mathbf{k} is determined by azimuth angle and elevation angle

$$k_x = \mathbf{k}\cos\theta\cos\varphi \tag{3a}$$

$$k_y = -\mathbf{k}\sin\vartheta \tag{3b}$$

$$k_z = \mathbf{k}\cos\vartheta\sin\varphi \tag{3c}$$

the relation between the magnetic field vector and electric field vector is expressed as

$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{\eta} \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E} \tag{4}$$

where η is the wave impedance. Therefore, **H** can be written as follows

$$H_x = \frac{1}{\eta} \left(-E_y \cos \theta \sin \varphi - E_z \sin \theta \right) \tag{5a}$$

$$H_y = \frac{1}{\eta} \left(E_x \cos \vartheta \sin \varphi - E_z \cos \vartheta \cos \varphi \right) \tag{5b}$$

$$H_z = \frac{1}{\eta} \left(E_y \cos \vartheta \cos \varphi + E_x \sin \vartheta \right) \tag{5c}$$

2.2. SE Calculation for Rectangular Enclosure with Aperture

According to Bethe's theory, the aperture can be represented as electric and magnetic dipoles located at the center of the aperture. The electric dipole \mathbf{p} is normal to the plane of the aperture, and the magnetic dipole \mathbf{m} is parallel to the plane of the aperture. Dipole strength is determined by the incident field and the characteristics of the aperture, and \mathbf{p} and \mathbf{m} are given by [16]

$$\mathbf{p} = \chi \alpha_e \varepsilon_0 E_{SCz} \hat{\mathbf{z}} \tag{6}$$

$$\mathbf{m} = -\chi \alpha_{mx} H_{SCx} \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \chi \alpha_{my} H_{SCy} \hat{\mathbf{y}} \tag{7}$$

where ε_0 is the dielectric constant. It is worth noting that classical Bethe's theory is limited to small apertures. In order to solve the problem of electrically large aperture, the correction factor χ

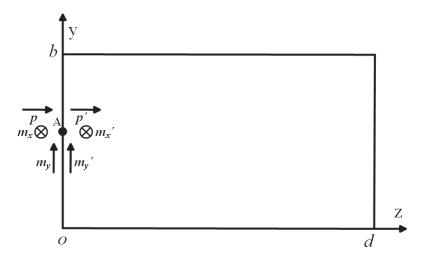


Figure 3. Side view of enclosure with dipole located at both side of the aperture.

is introduced to modify **p** and **m**. For t infinitesimal and $l \gg w$, $\chi = 1/(1 - (kl/\pi)^2)$ [15, 17]. E_{SC} and H_{SC} are the short circuited electric field and magnetic field at the perfectly electric conducting surface in the absence of the aperture, which can be expressed as [18]

$$E_{SCz} = 2E_z \tag{8a}$$

$$H_{SCx} = 2H_x \tag{8b}$$

$$H_{SCy} = 2H_y \tag{8c}$$

the magnetic polarizabilities α_{mx} , α_{my} and electric polarizabilities α_e depend on the shape and size of the aperture. For a slot as shown in Fig. 1, the polarizabilities are given by [14, 19–21]

$$\alpha_e = -\pi w^2 l \left(1 - 0.5663 w / l + 0.1398 w^2 / l^2 \right) / 16 \tag{9}$$

$$\alpha_{mx} = 0.132l^3 / \ln\left(1 + 0.66l/w\right) \tag{10}$$

$$\alpha_{mu} = \pi w^2 l \left(1 + 0.3221 w/l \right) / 16 \tag{11}$$

The dipoles are located on both sides of the perfectly electric conducting surface which fill the aperture. The \mathbf{m} and \mathbf{p} radiate into half-space from where the plane wave is incident. In front of the other side of perfectly electric conducting surface, mirrored dipoles \mathbf{m}' and \mathbf{p}' , oriented in the same direction as \mathbf{m} and \mathbf{p} , radiate into completely closed metallic enclosure, and the size of \mathbf{m}' and \mathbf{p}' is the same as that of \mathbf{m} and \mathbf{p} [22], as shown in Fig. 3. The field in the enclosure excited by \mathbf{m}' and \mathbf{p}' can be equivalent to the interior field excited by external plane wave incident on the aperture. The electric field E and magnetic field H in a rectangle enclosure contributed by the electric current distributions I and magnetic current distributions I inside the enclosure can be represented as [23]

$$E(r) = -j\omega\mu_0 \iiint_V \bar{G}_{e1}(r,r')J(r')dV' - \iiint_V \nabla \times \bar{G}_{e2}(r,r')M(r')dV'$$
(12)

$$H(r) = \iiint_{V} \nabla \times \bar{G}_{e1}(r, r') J(r') dV' - j\omega \varepsilon_0 \iiint_{V} \bar{G}_{e2}(r, r') M(r') dV'$$
(13)

where μ_0 is the permeability of the medium; r and r' are the position vectors of the field and the source point, respectively; \bar{G}_{e1} and \bar{G}_{e2} are the dyadic Green's functions of the first and second kinds, respectively; V is the volume which sources occupy.

Therefore, the induced electric field components at arbitrary point P(x, y, z) inside a rectangle enclosure due to the $\hat{\mathbf{z}}$ -direction electric dipole located at the aperture position $A(x_a, y_a, 0)$ are given by [16]

$$E_{ez}(x,y,z) = \frac{-\varepsilon_{0m}\varepsilon_{0n}j\omega\mu_0(j\omega p')}{k^2(ab)} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma_{mn}}{k_{mn}} \frac{\cos(k_{mn}(z-d))}{\sin(k_{mn}d)}$$
(14a)

$$E_{ey}(x,y,z) = \frac{-\varepsilon_{0m}\varepsilon_{0n}j\omega\mu_0(j\omega p')}{k^2(ab)} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Gamma'_{mn} \frac{\sin(k_{mn}(d-z))}{\sin(k_{mn}d)}$$
(14b)

$$E_{ex}(x,y,z) = \frac{-\varepsilon_{0m}\varepsilon_{0n}j\omega\mu_0(j\omega p')}{k^2(ab)} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Gamma''_{mn} \frac{\sin(k_{mn}(d-z))}{\sin(k_{mn}d)}$$
(14c)

where

$$k_{mn} = \sqrt{k^2 - (m\pi/a)^2 - (n\pi/b)^2} \tag{15}$$

$$\Gamma_{mn} = \left[\left(\frac{m\pi}{a} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{n\pi}{b} \right)^2 \right] \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x_a}{a} \right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y_a}{b} \right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a} \right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b} \right) \tag{16}$$

$$\Gamma'_{mn} = \left(\frac{n\pi}{b}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x_a}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y_a}{b}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) \tag{17}$$

$$\Gamma_{mn}'' = \left(\frac{m\pi}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x_a}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y_a}{b}\right) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) \tag{18}$$

Neumann factors ε_{0m} and ε_{0n} are given by

$$\varepsilon_{0m} = \begin{cases} 0, & m = 0 \\ 2, & m \neq 0 \end{cases}$$
 (19a)

$$\varepsilon_{0n} = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 0 \\ 2, & n \neq 0 \end{cases}$$
 (19b)

The induced electric field components due to the $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ -direction magnetic dipole located at the aperture position $A(x_a, y_a, 0)$ are given by [24, 25]

$$E_{mxz}(x,y,z) = \frac{\varepsilon_{0m}\varepsilon_{0n}j\omega\mu_0m_x'}{ab}\sum_{m=0}^{\infty}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}\frac{\Gamma_{MNx}'}{k_{mn}}\frac{\cos(k_{mn}(z-d))}{\sin(k_{mn}d)}$$
(20a)

$$E_{mxy}(x,y,z) = \frac{\varepsilon_{0m}\varepsilon_{0n}j\omega\mu_0m_x'}{ab} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Gamma_{MNx}'' \frac{\sin(k_{mn}(d-z))}{\sin(k_{mn}d)}$$
(20b)

$$E_{mxx}(x, y, z) = 0 (20c)$$

where

$$\Gamma'_{MNx} = \frac{n\pi}{b} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x_a}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi y_a}{b}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) \tag{21}$$

$$\Gamma_{MNx}'' = \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x_a}{a}\right)\cos\left(\frac{n\pi y_a}{b}\right)\sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right)\cos\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) \tag{22}$$

Similarly, the induced electric field components due to the $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ -direction magnetic dipole located at the aperture position $A(x_a, y_a, 0)$ are given by

$$E_{myz}(x,y,z) = \frac{\varepsilon_{0m}\varepsilon_{0n}j\omega\mu_0m'_y}{ab} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma'_{MNy}}{k'_{mn}} \frac{\cos\left(k'_{mn}(z-d)\right)}{\sin\left(k'_{mn}d\right)}$$
(23a)

$$E_{myy}(x, y, z) = 0 (23b)$$

$$E_{myx}(x,y,z) = \frac{\varepsilon_{0m}\varepsilon_{0n}j\omega\mu_0 m_y'}{ab} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Gamma_{MNy}'' \frac{\sin(k_{mn}'(d-z))}{\sin(k_{mn}'d)}$$
(23c)

where

$$k'_{mn} = \sqrt{k^2 - (n\pi/a)^2 - (m\pi/b)^2}$$
(24)

$$\Gamma'_{MNy} = \frac{n\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi y_a}{b}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x_a}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi y}{b}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \tag{25}$$

$$\Gamma_{MNy}^{"} = \sin\left(\frac{m\pi y_a}{b}\right)\cos\left(\frac{n\pi x_a}{a}\right)\sin\left(\frac{m\pi y}{b}\right)\cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right)$$
 (26)

The total electric field components at observation point can be obtained by

$$E_x(x_p, y_p, z_p) = E_{ex}(x_p, y_p, z_p) + E_{mxx}(x_p, y_p, z_p) + E_{myx}(x_p, y_p, z_p)$$
(27a)

$$E_y(x_p, y_p, z_p) = E_{ey}(x_p, y_p, z_p) + E_{mxy}(x_p, y_p, z_p) + E_{myy}(x_p, y_p, z_p)$$
(27b)

$$E_z(x_p, y_p, z_p) = E_{ez}(x_p, y_p, z_p) + E_{mxz}(x_p, y_p, z_p) + E_{myz}(x_p, y_p, z_p)$$
 (27c)

The total electric field and SE at observation point are

$$E_P = \sqrt{(E_x)^2 + (E_y)^2 + (E_z)^2}$$
(28)

$$SE_0 = -20\log_{10}|E_P/E_0| \tag{29}$$

2.3. Thickness Correction

The enclosure thickness is also an important parameter affecting shielding effectiveness. When the enclosure thickness is large enough, the effect of the thickness on the calculation results cannot be ignored. The literature [17] divides the attenuation of aperture to electromagnetic field into two parts, one of which is the attenuation introduced by the thickness of the aperture. The attenuation of the aperture thickness can be equivalent to the attenuation of the principal mode in a waveguide whose cross section is the shape and size of the aperture, and whose length is equal to the thickness. Therefore, this method is used here to calculate the influence of enclosure thickness on SE. For an enclosure of finite thickness t, attenuation coefficient a_t (in dB) is introduced to describe the attenuation process, which is expressed as

$$a_t = \frac{54.6tA}{\lambda_c} \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{\lambda_c}{\lambda}\right)^2} \tag{30}$$

where A is the coefficient related to thickness. Here we set the parameter A to 1 approximately. λ_c is the waveguide cutoff wavelength. Finally, the modified SE is expressed as

$$SE = SE_0 + a_t \tag{31}$$

3. SIMULATION RESULTS AND ANALYSIS

In this section, the simulation results of the proposed model are compared with those of the TLM using CST-MS software. Simulation parameters are set as: the rectangle enclosure material is aluminum with conductivity of $3.56 \times 10^7 \, \mathrm{S/m}$; the thickness of the enclosure is 1 mm; the plane wave excitation signal is a Gaussian signal; the frequency range is $0 \sim 3 \, \mathrm{GHz}$. Six cases are considered to verify the validity of the model, with the specific parameters such as enclosure dimensions, aperture dimensions and positions, observation point positions, incident and polarization direction of the plane wave shown in Table 1.

Table 1. Specific parameter settings.

Case	Enclosure	Aperture	Aperture	Monitor point	Incident
	dimensions	positions	dimensions	positions	direction
	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(degree)
	(a, b, d)	(x_a, y_a)	(l, w)	(x_p, y_p, z_p)	$(\vartheta, \varphi, \alpha)$
1	(300, 120, 260)	(150, 60)	(40, 20)	(150, 60, 215)	(0, 90, 0)
2	(300, 120, 260)	(150, 60)	(100, 5)	(150, 60, 215)	(0, 90, 0)
3	(300, 120, 260)	(100, 30)	(40, 20)	(65, 100, 90)	(0, 90, 0)
4	(200, 120, 160)	(100, 60)	(20, 20)	(100, 60, 90)	(0, 90, 0) / (0, 90, 60)
5	(300, 120, 260)	(150, 60)	(40, 20)	(150, 60, 215)	(0, 45, 0) / (0, 20, 0)
6	(300, 120, 260)	(150, 60)	(40, 20)	(150, 60, 215)	(45, 90, 0)

In order to analyze the resonant characteristics of the enclosure, formulas for calculating resonant frequencies of rectangular waveguide enclosure are given by

$$f_{mnh} = \frac{c}{2\pi\sqrt{\mu_0\varepsilon_0}}\sqrt{\left(\frac{m\pi}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{n\pi}{b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{h\pi}{d}\right)^2}$$
(32)

where c is the velocity of light.

For case 1, the aperture is positioned centrally in the front panel of the enclosure, and the observation point is located at the central axis of the enclosure. The simulation results of the presented model, the model of literature and TLM method are shown in Fig. 4. It can be seen from the figure that the SE result of the proposed model is in good agreement with that of TLM method. Comparing the results of literature [4], the proposed model takes into account the high-order mode, and can accurately calculate the SE of the enclosure in high frequency band.

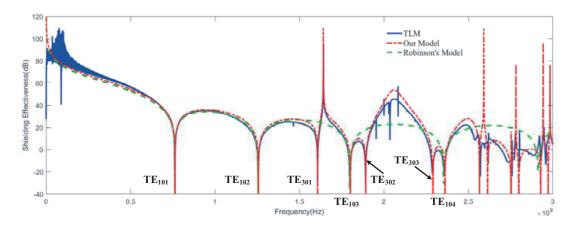


Figure 4. SE result of case 1.

For case 2, the aspect ratio of the aperture ($l=100 \mathrm{mm}$, $w=5 \mathrm{\,mm}$) is far greater than 1. The simulation results of the presented model, the model of Solin [15] and TLM method are shown in Fig. 5. It can be seen from the figure that the SE result of the proposed model is in good agreement with that of TLM method. Besides, the SE result of the Solin's model is also in good agreement with that of TLM method. The comparison shows that the result of the presented model is more accuracy than that of the Solin's model in the low frequency band. And the model of Solin requires a lot of multiple summation procedures, which showed higher computational complexity than the model proposed in this

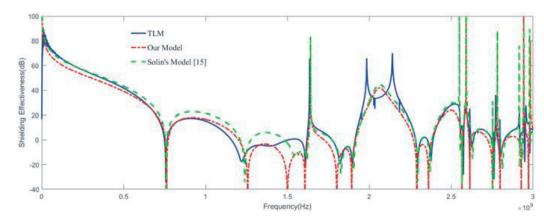


Figure 5. SE result of case 2.

paper. Meanwhile, the effect of the thickness on the calculation is not considered in Solin's model, it means that if the enclosure thickness is large enough, Solin's model will result in large calculation errors. The influence of the enclosure thickness on the SE calculated by the model proposed in the paper is shown in Fig. 6.

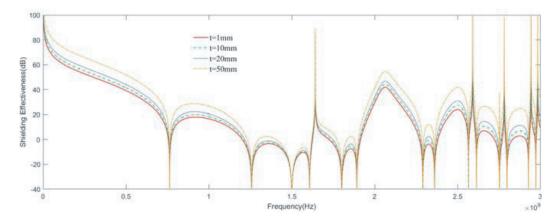


Figure 6. The influence of the enclosure thickness on the SE.

Unlike cases 1 and 2, off-axis observation point and off-centered aperture are considered in case 3. The simulation results of the proposed model and TLM method are shown in Fig. 7. It can be seen from the figure that the SE result of the presented model and TLM method coincide with each other well. The resonant points introduced because of the change of aperture position can be calculated accurately.

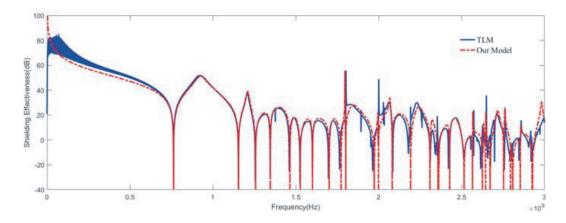


Figure 7. SE result of case 3.

For case 4, the size of the enclosure, aperture and polarization angle are changed. The enclosure dimensions are $a=200\,\mathrm{mm}$, $b=120\,\mathrm{mm}$, $d=160\,\mathrm{mm}$, and the aperture dimensions are $l=w=20\,\mathrm{mm}$. The polarization angles of the plane wave are 0 and 60 degrees, respectively with the plane wave normally incident. The simulation results of the proposed model and TLM method are shown in Fig. 8 and Fig. 9. The figures show that the result of the proposed model is in good agreement with that of TLM method. The change of polarization angle leads to the introduction of resonance points such as TE_{011} around 1.56 GHz. This is because of the excitation of both $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ -direction and $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ -direction equivalent magnetic dipole. And it can be analyzed from the formula (20) and the formula (23) that when the aspect ratio of the enclosure is equal to 1, the change of polarization angle will not affect the resonant characteristics of the SE. Besides that, with the increase of polarization angle, the SE of the enclosure will increase continuously, as shown in Fig. 10. However at the same time, the resonance point due to change of polarization angle will affect the shielding performance of the enclosure.

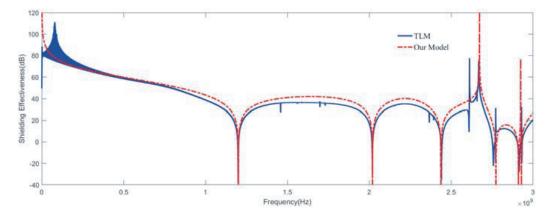


Figure 8. SE result of case 4 ($\alpha = 0^{\circ}$).

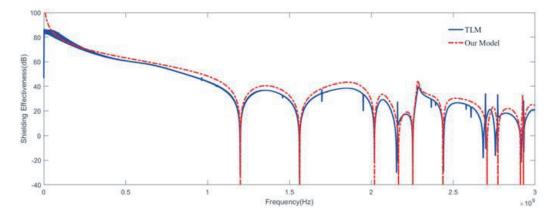


Figure 9. SE result of case 4 ($\alpha = 60^{\circ}$).

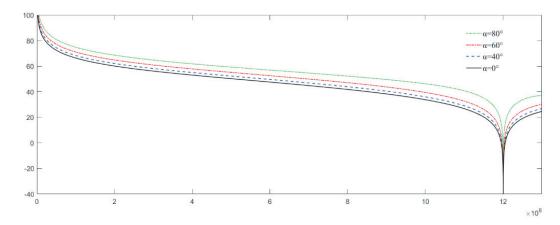


Figure 10. The influence of polarization angle on SE.

For case 5, the trend of SE along with change of plane wave azimuth angle under vertical polarization is discussed. The model of perforated enclosure of case 1 is selected, and the direction angles are 20 degrees and 45 degrees respectively. The simulation results of the proposed model and TLM method are shown in Fig. 11 and Fig. 12 respectively in combination with the results of case 1. It can be seen from the figures that the result of the proposed model is in good agreement with that of TLM method, which can effectively calculate the influence of different azimuth angles on SE, and with the decrease of azimuth angle, the SE of the enclosure will increase continuously.

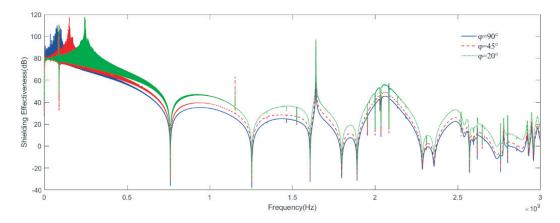


Figure 11. SE result of case 5 obtained by TLM method.

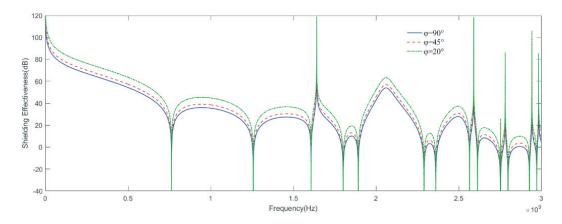


Figure 12. SE result of case 5 obtained by the presented model.

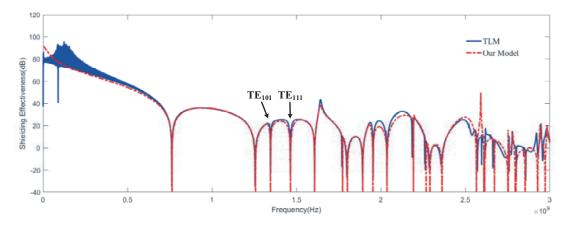


Figure 13. SE result of case 6.

For case 6, the influence of elevation angle change on SE under vertical polarization is analyzed. The model of perforated enclosure of case 1 is selected, and the elevation angle is 45 degrees. The simulation results of the proposed model and TLM method are shown in Fig. 13. The figure shows that the SE result of the proposed model is basically consistent with that of TLM method. It is worth noting that, compared with the results of case 1, the change of elevation angle leads to the introduction

of resonance points such as TE_{101} and TE_{111} around 1.5 GHz. This is a result of the excitation of the $\hat{\mathbf{z}}$ -direction equivalent electric dipole. The SE at these resonant point will drop drastically, which will affect the shielding performance of the enclosure.

4. CONCLUSIONS

An analytical model based on the modified Bethe's theory to predict the SE of enclosure with aperture is presented in this paper. The model takes into account various parameters such as enclosure thickness as well as enclosure and aperture dimensions, aperture and observation point positions, incident and polarization direction of the plane wave. By this model, the SE of the enclosures under plane wave illumination can be calculated accurately with low computation complex over a wide frequency range $(0 \sim 3\,\mathrm{G})$. Several cases are presented to demonstrate the validity and accuracy of the model, and analyze the effect of the azimuth, elevation and polarization angle on SE thoroughly. The calculation results of the model are in good agreement with that of CST simulation software using TLM method.

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