



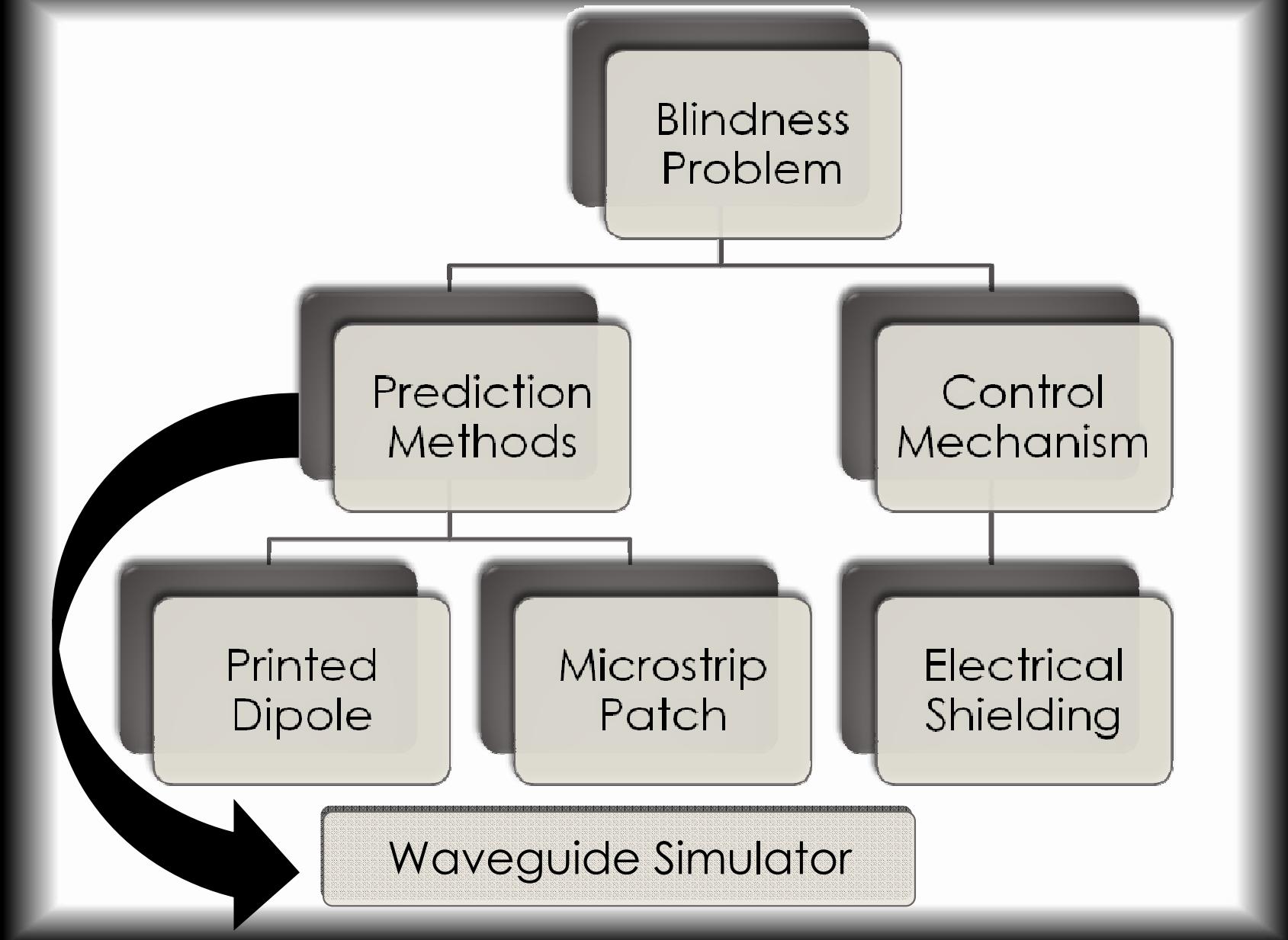
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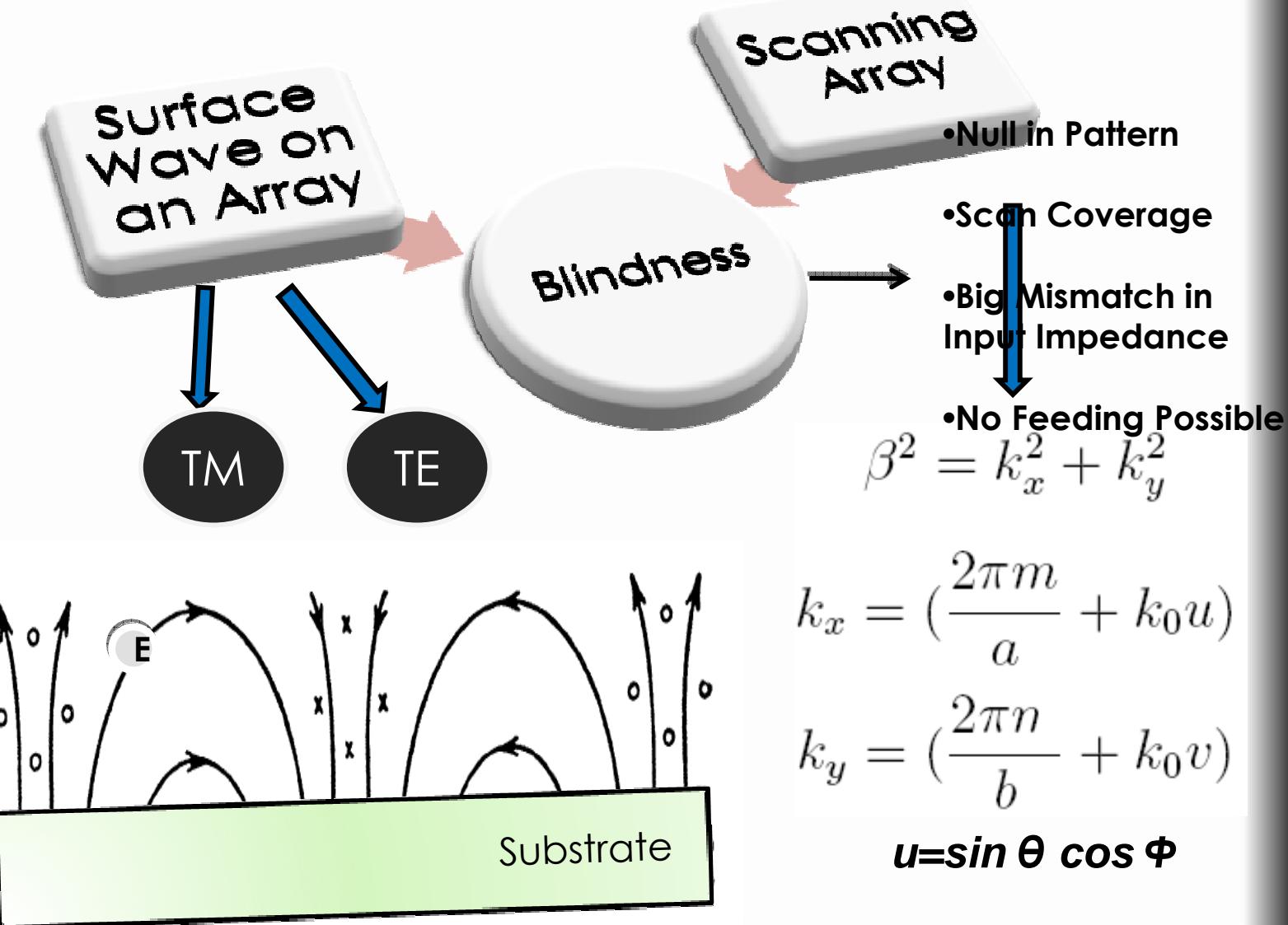
**Control and Prediction of Scan Blindness Effects in Printed  
Planar Antenna Systems**

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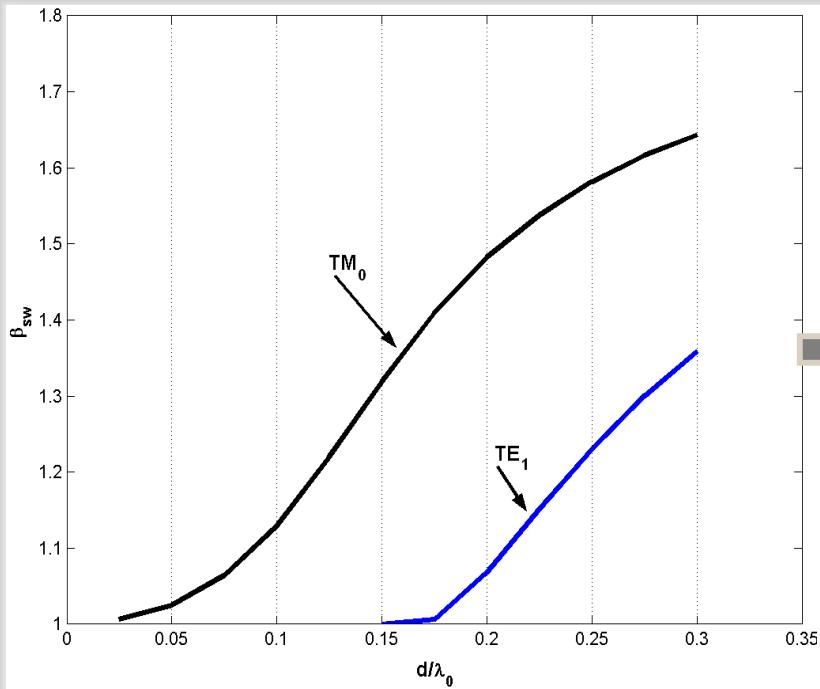




$$k_x = \left( \frac{2\pi m}{a} + k_0 u \right)$$

$$k_y = \left( \frac{2\pi n}{b} + k_0 v \right)$$

$$u = \sin \theta \cos \Phi$$



Grid Spacing

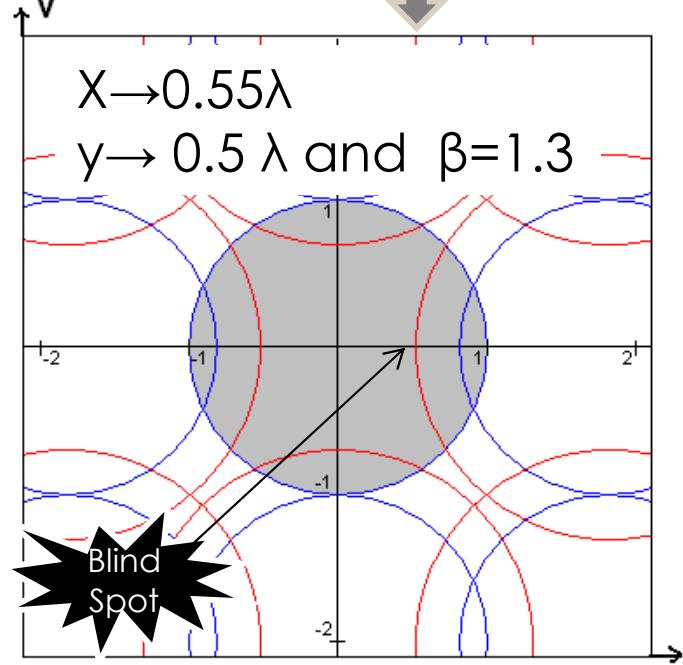
Blindness in  
Visible Space

Polarization Match

TM (TE) mode  
excitation

Scanning Part

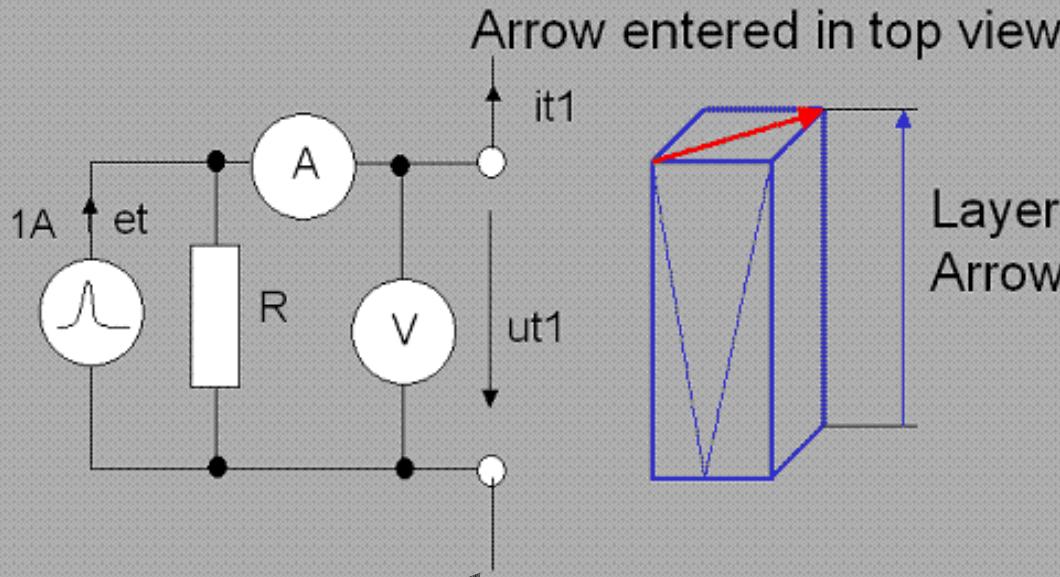
$$\beta_{sw}^2 = \left(\frac{m}{d_x/\lambda} + u\right)^2 + \left(\frac{n}{d_y/\lambda} + v\right)^2$$





## Scan Impedance

Perpendicular Lumped Port



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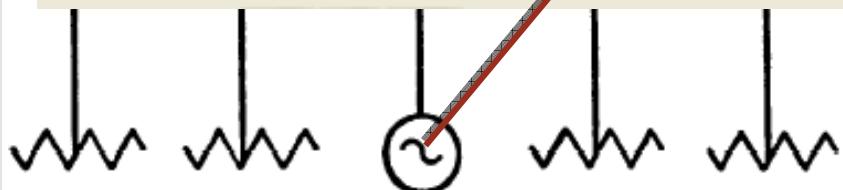
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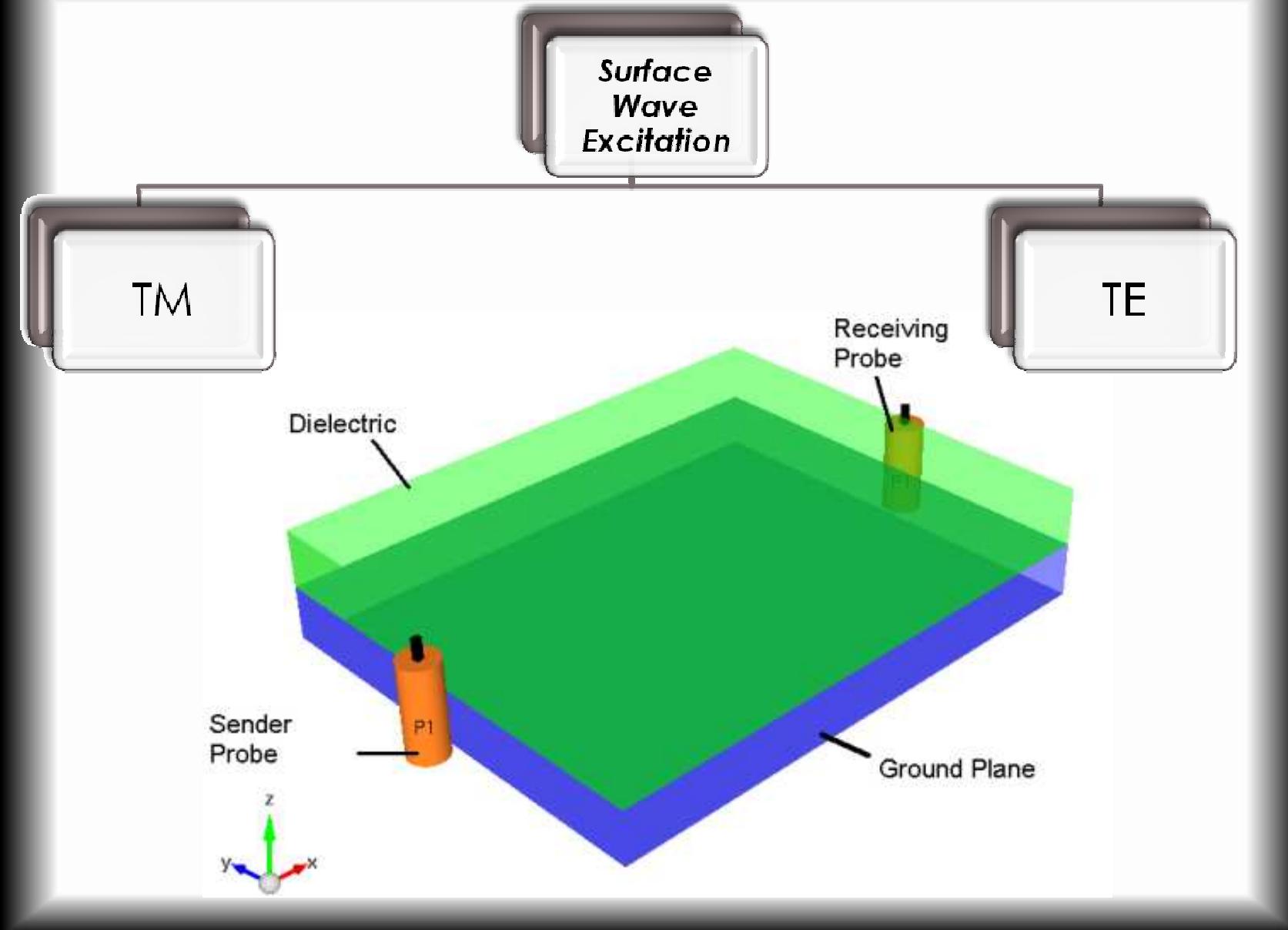
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versus Scan

Angle

- Easy to Calculate
- Size Dependent

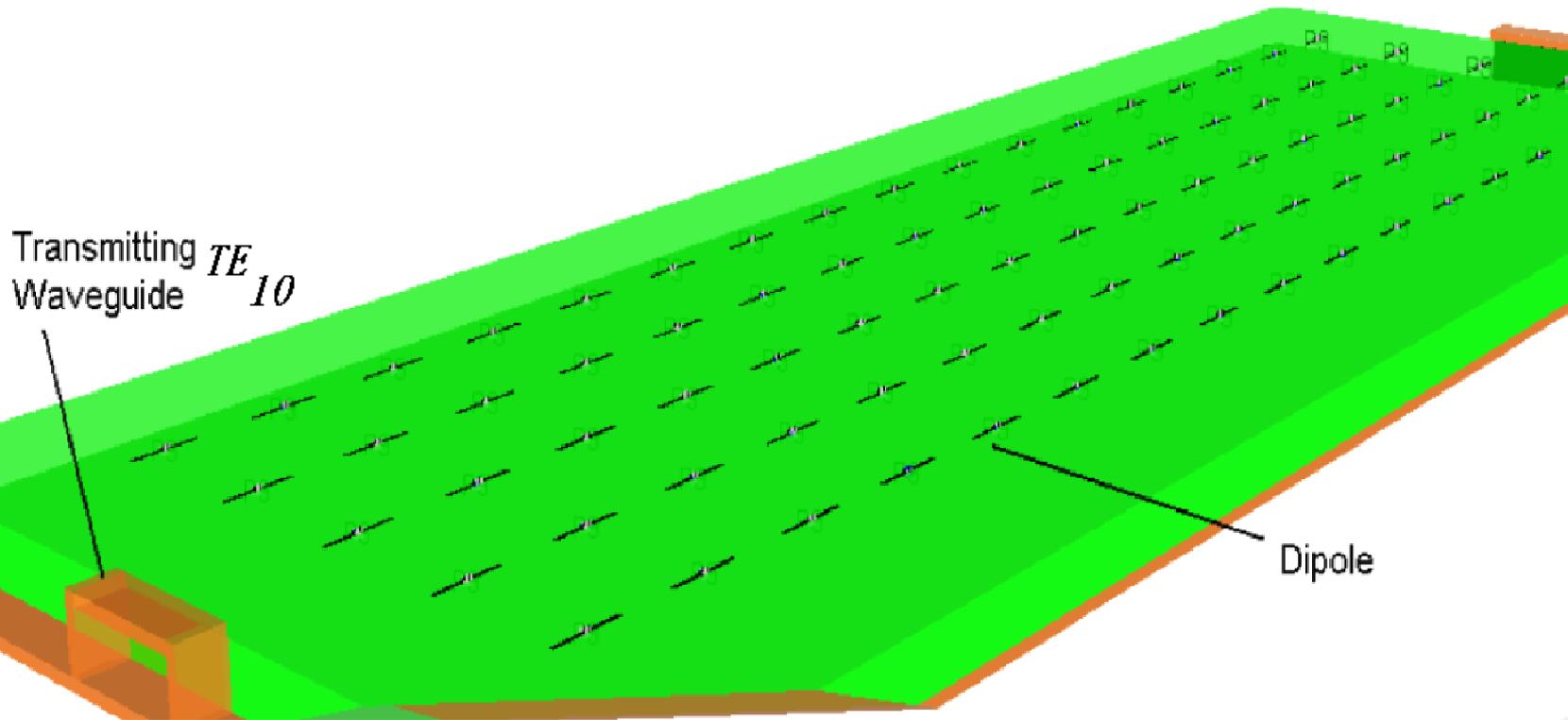


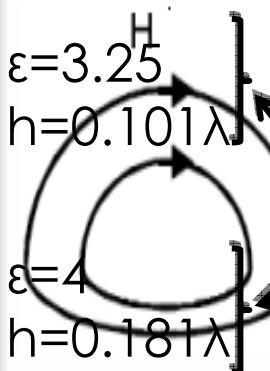


The first mode is excited on the waveguide port

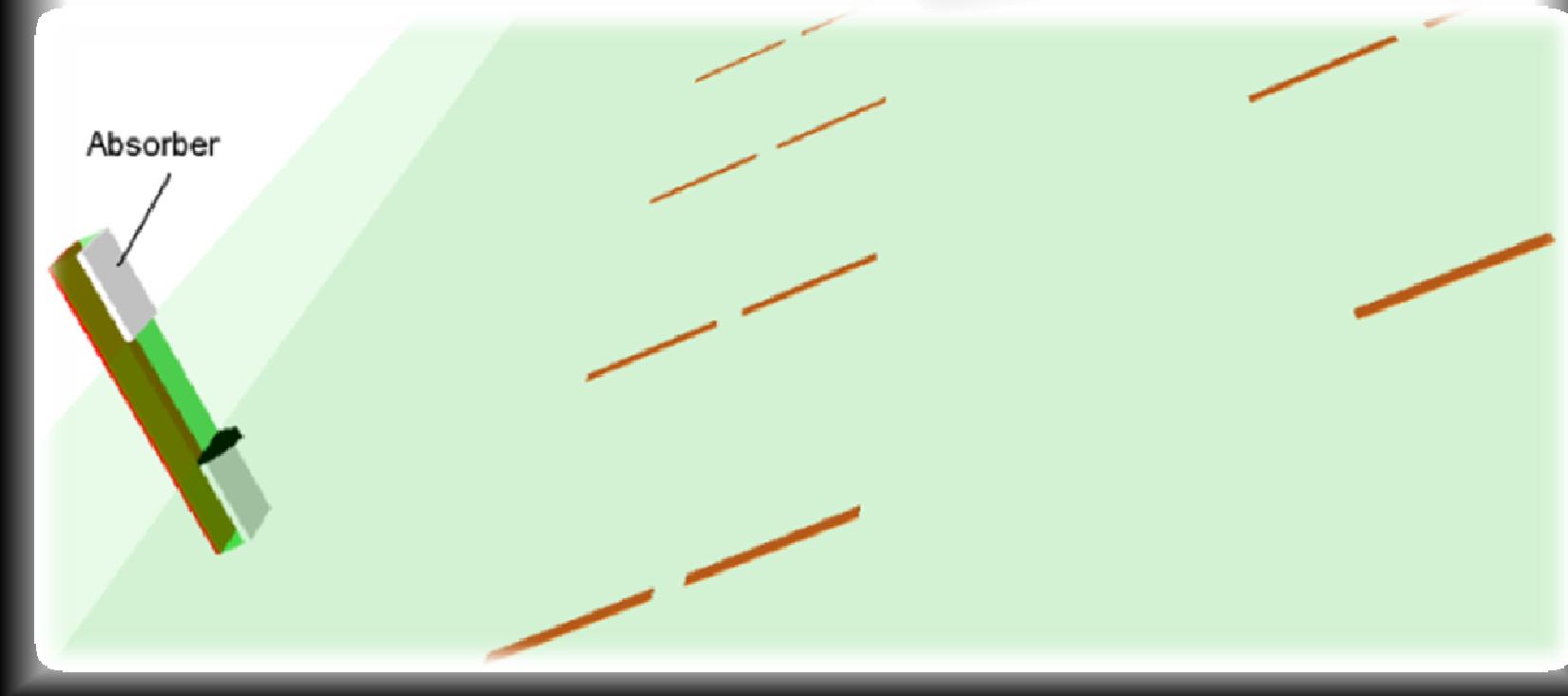
Two simulations are needed to calculate  $\beta$

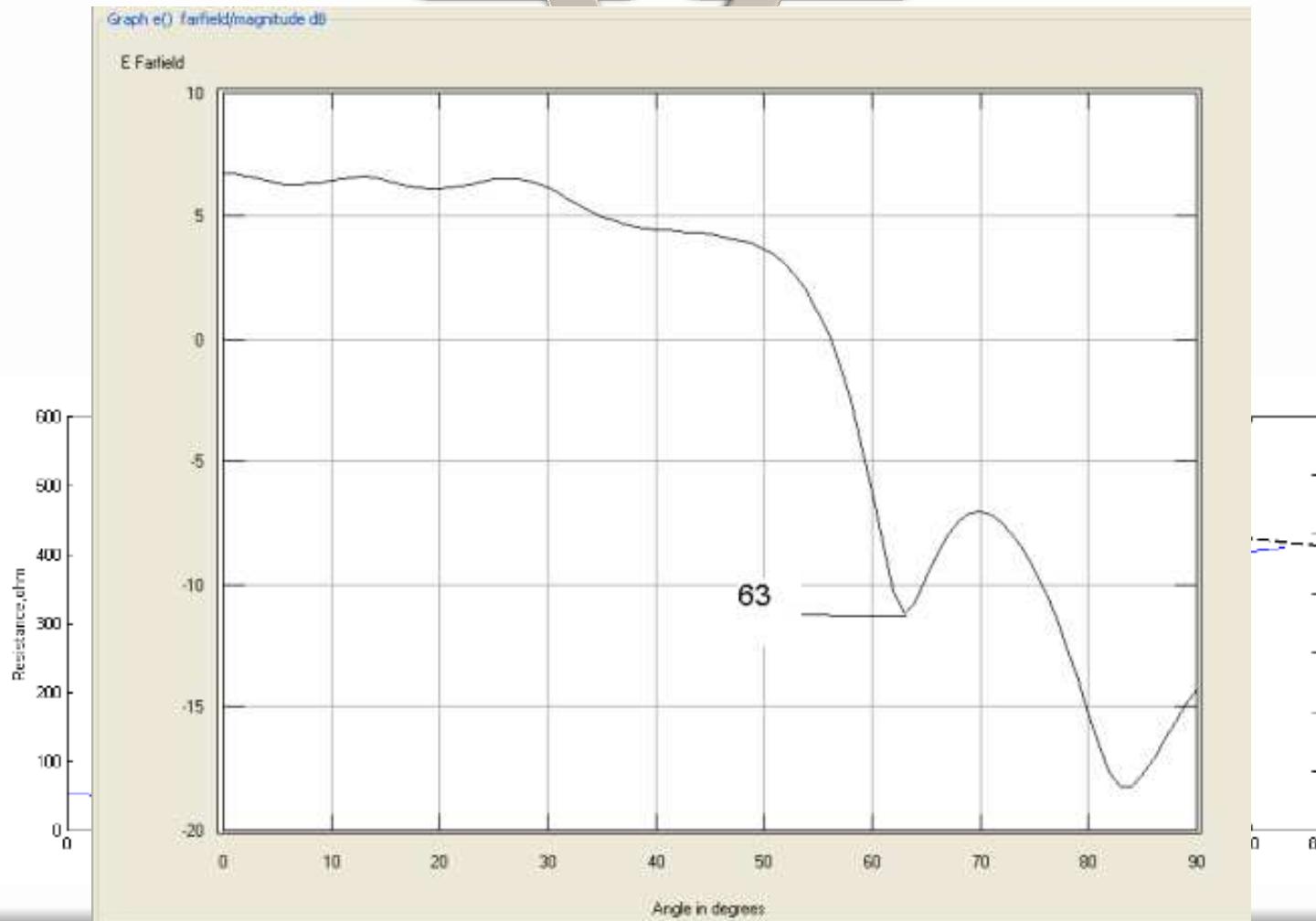
Blind spot is predicted with new effective  $\beta$  using classical method





Substrate	Mode	Ideal $\beta$	Calculated
Substrate1	TM	1.1349	1.145
Substrate2	TM	1.6168	1.597
Substrate2	TE	1.1316	1.109



Scan  
Element  
PatternScan  
Impedanc  
e Method

Spacing	Substrate	Surface Wave	SEP	Scan Impedance	$\beta$ Effective
$0.49\lambda, E$	Substrate1	64	63	71	66
$0.7\lambda, E$	Substrate1	17	17	23	18
$0.49\lambda, E$	Substrate2	25	24	38	40
$0.49\lambda, H$	Substrate2	65	66	51	58
$0.6\lambda, E$	Substrate2	3.5	3	14	15.5
$0.6\lambda, H$	Substrate2	32.4	31	27	29

(1.1349)

Small  
 $\beta$

Surface  
Wave

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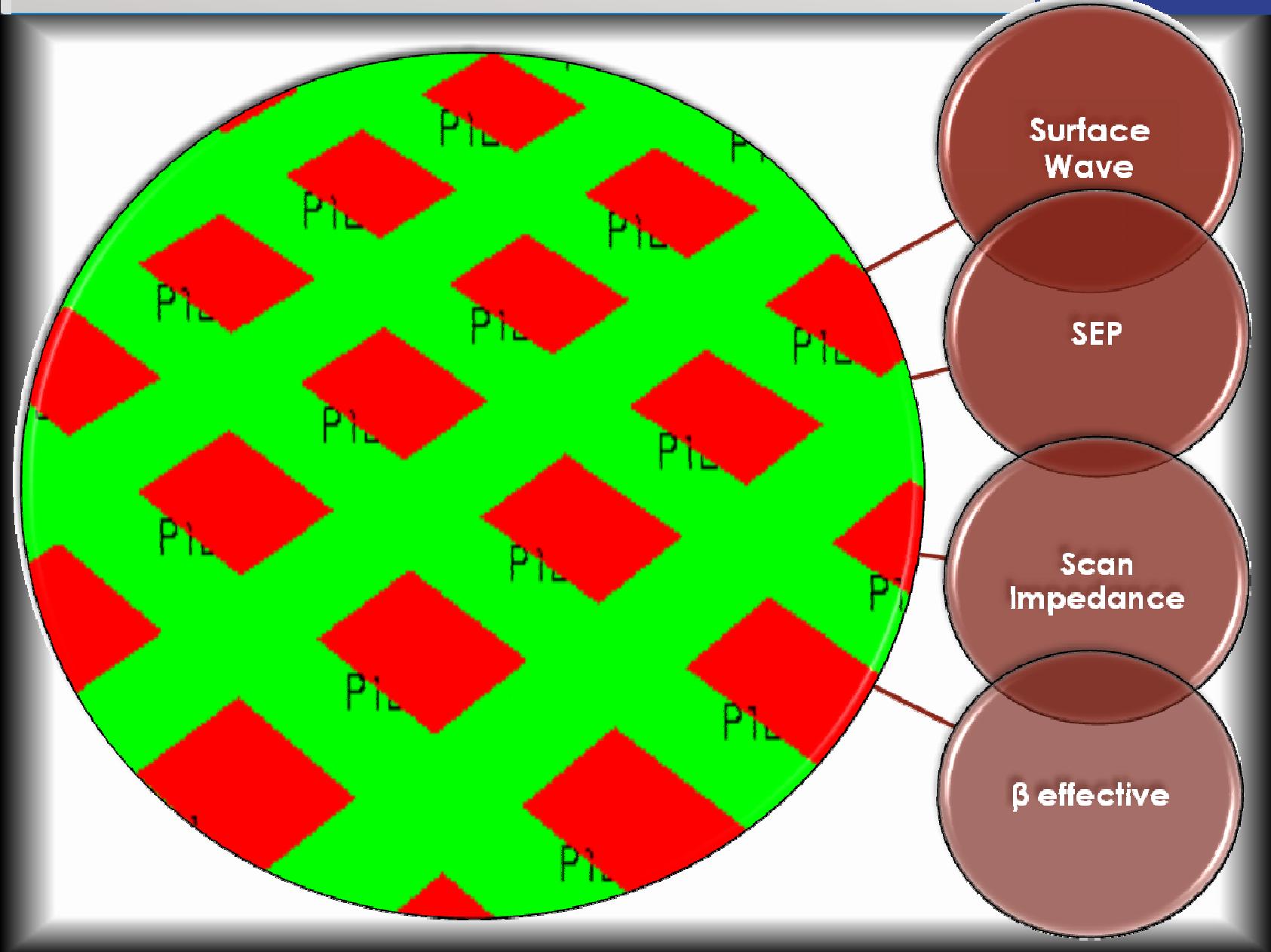
Big  
 $\beta$

~~Surface  
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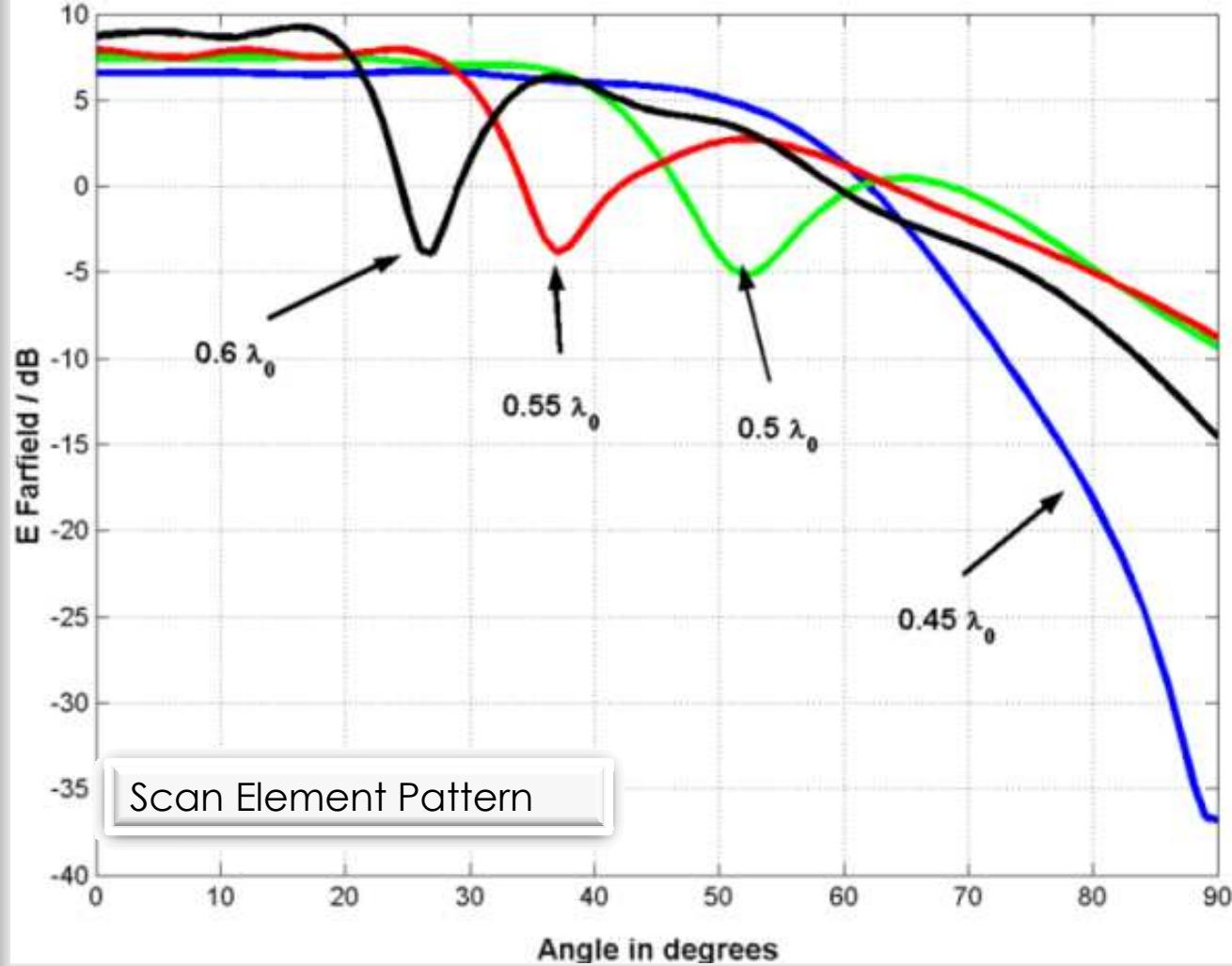
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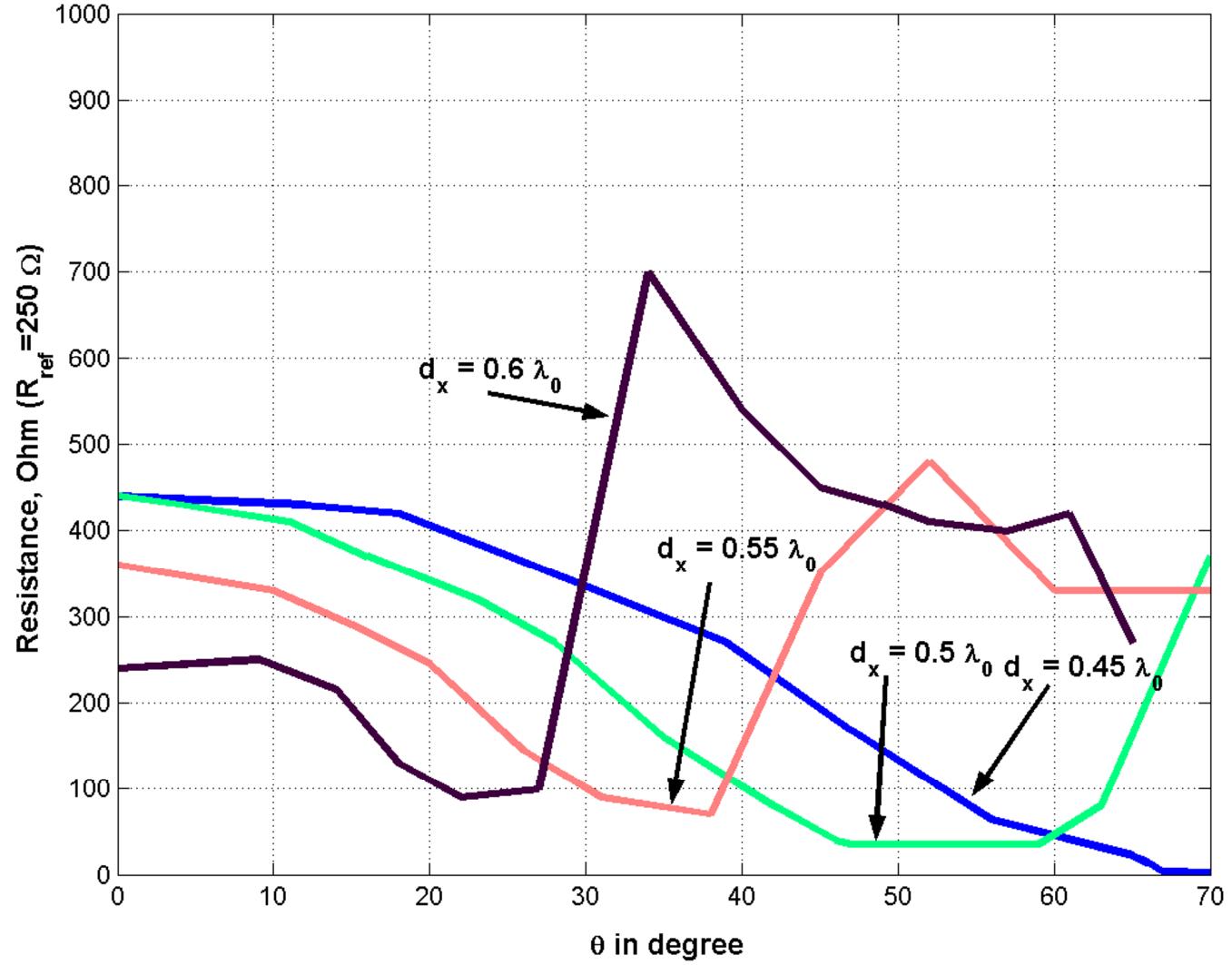


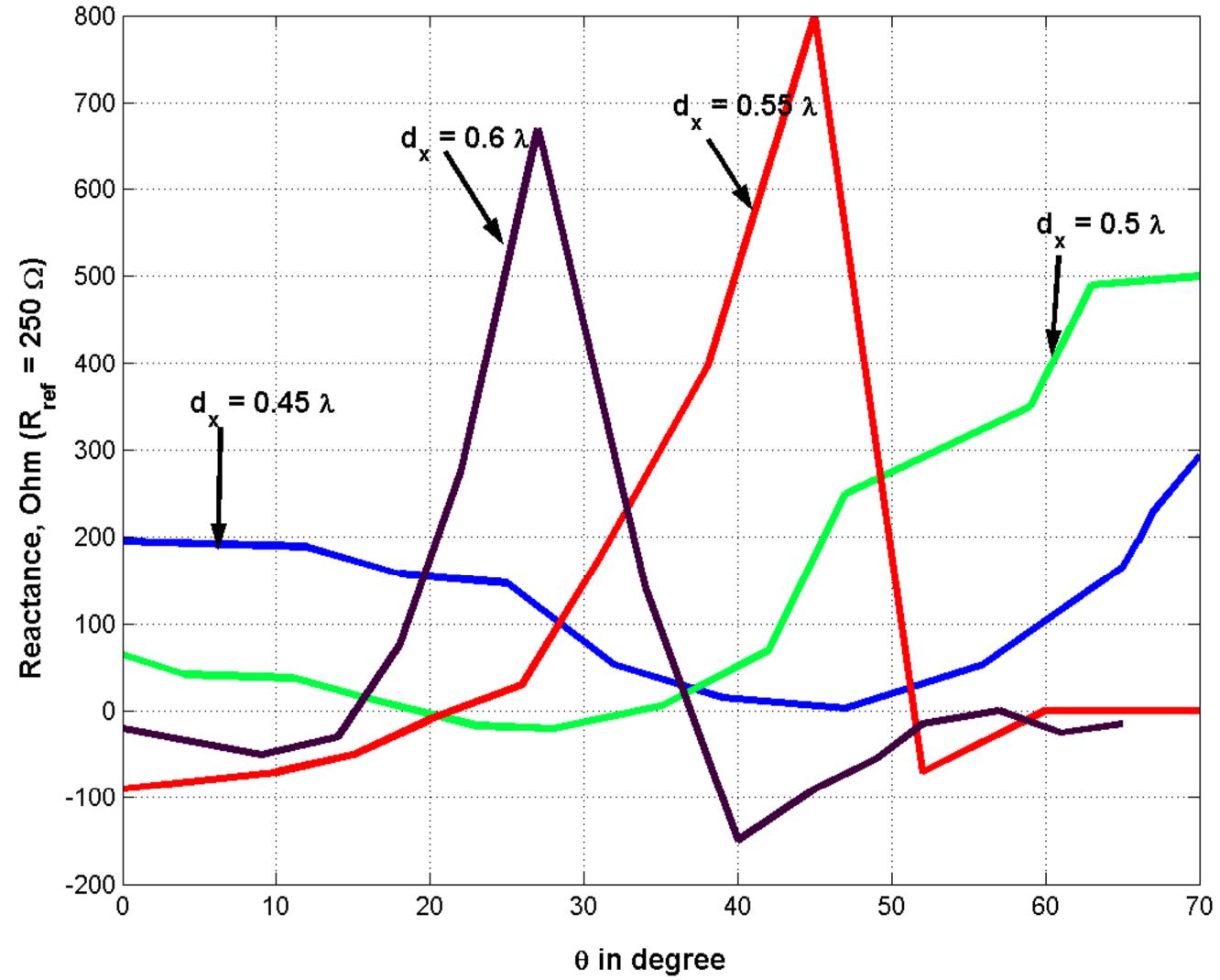
$$\varepsilon = 3.48 \quad h = 0.121\lambda \longrightarrow \beta = 1.2383$$

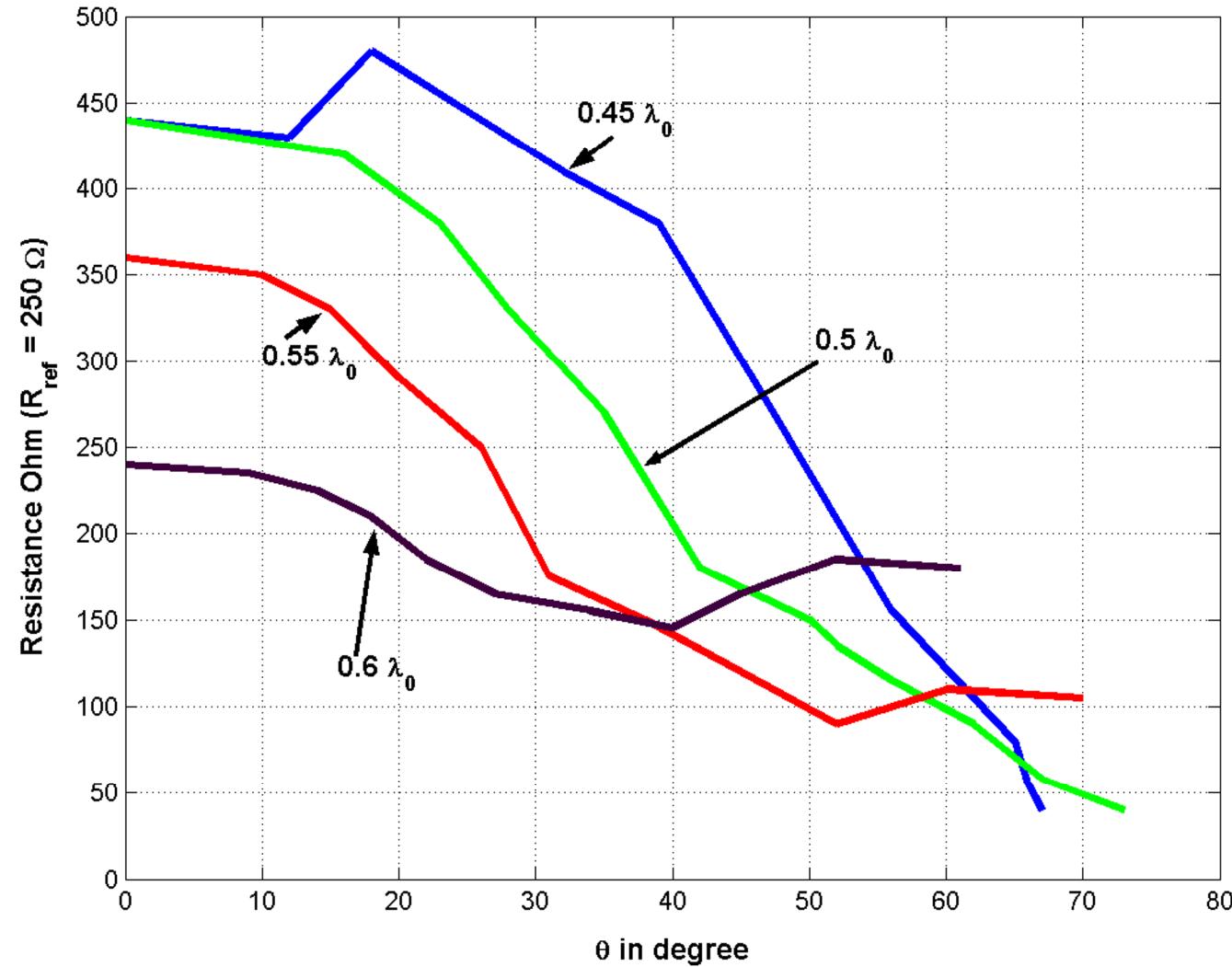


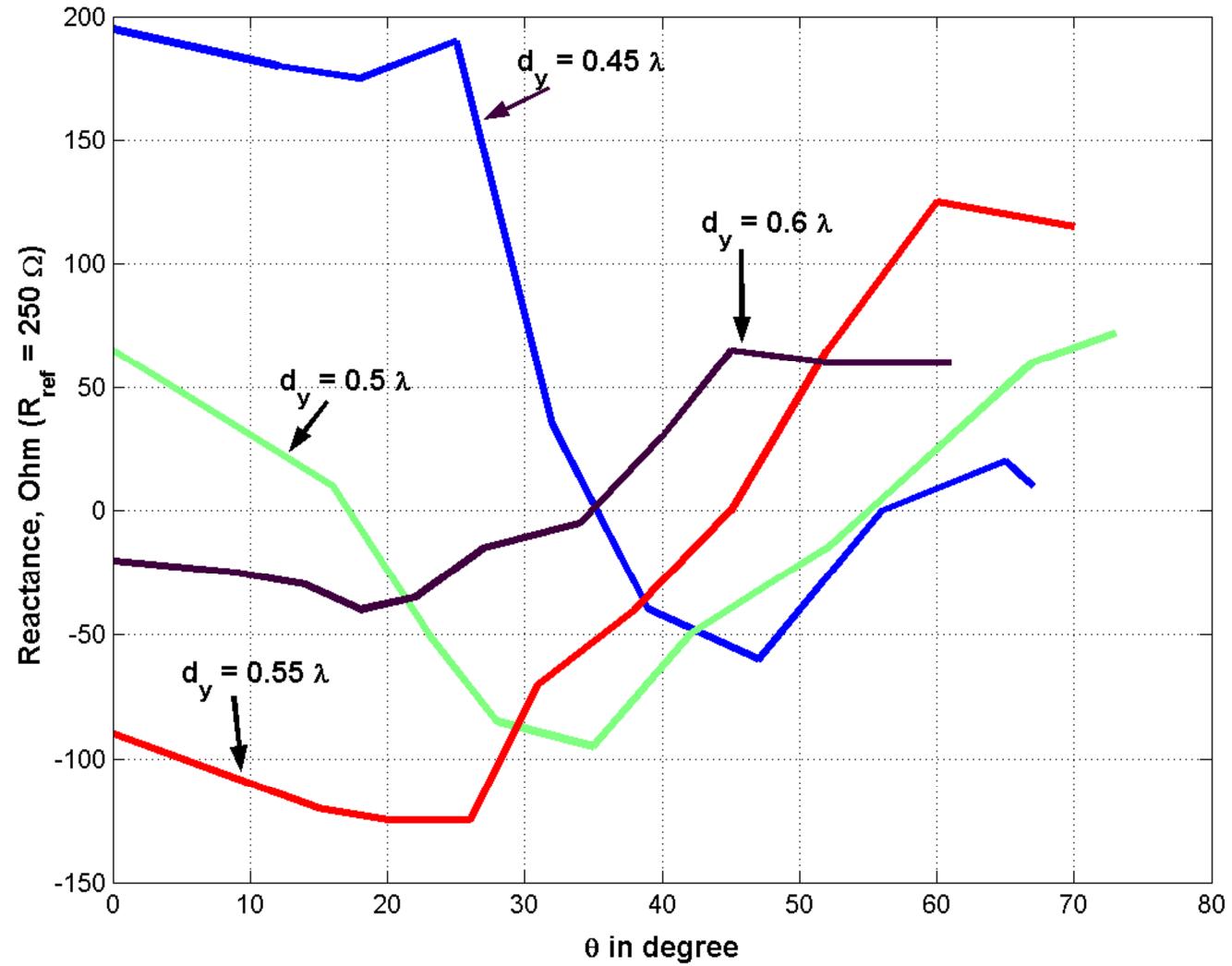


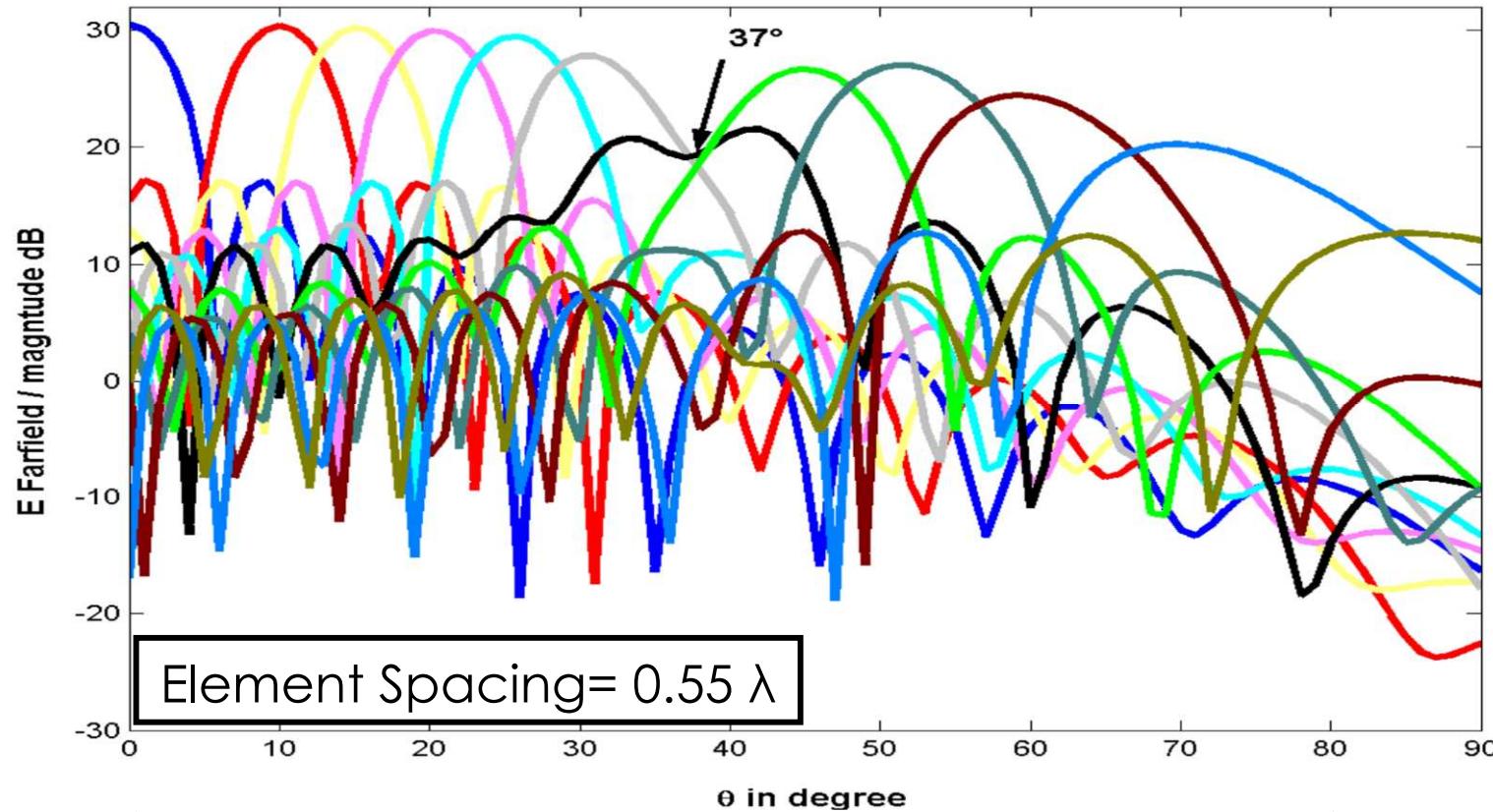
# Scan Resistance, E-plane









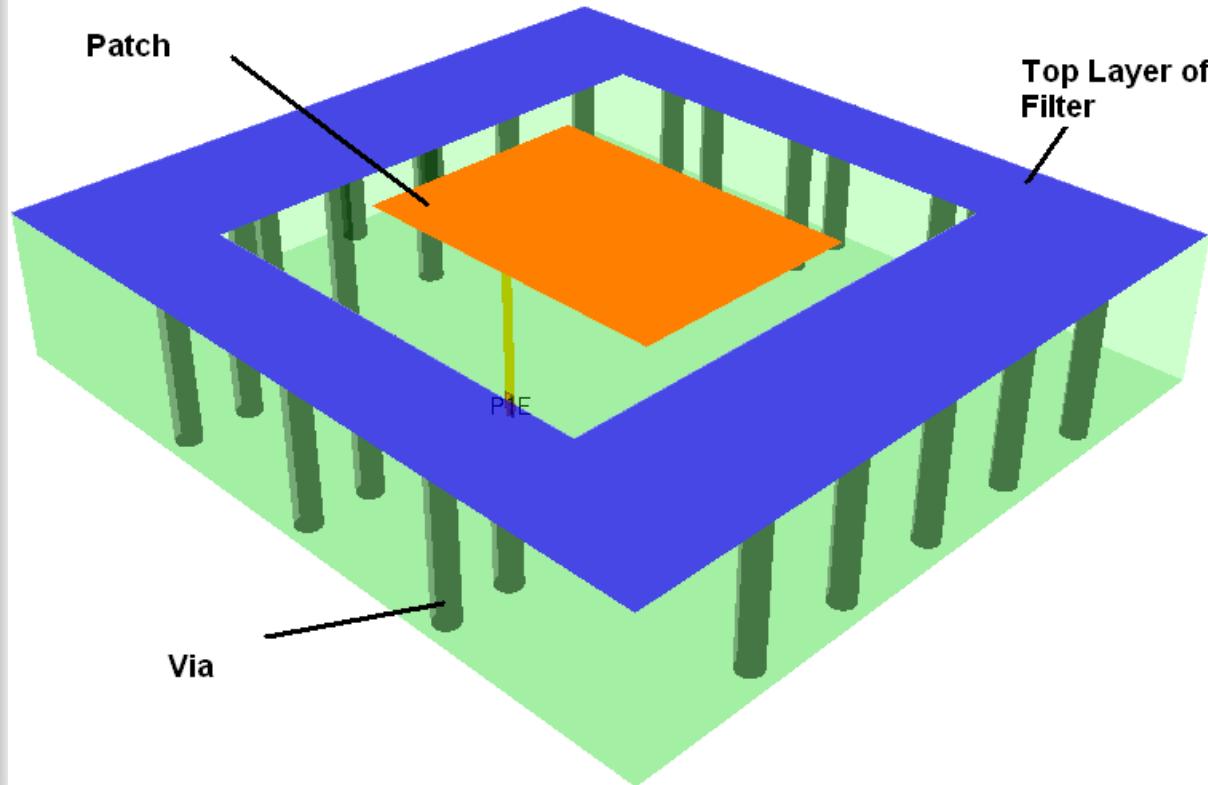


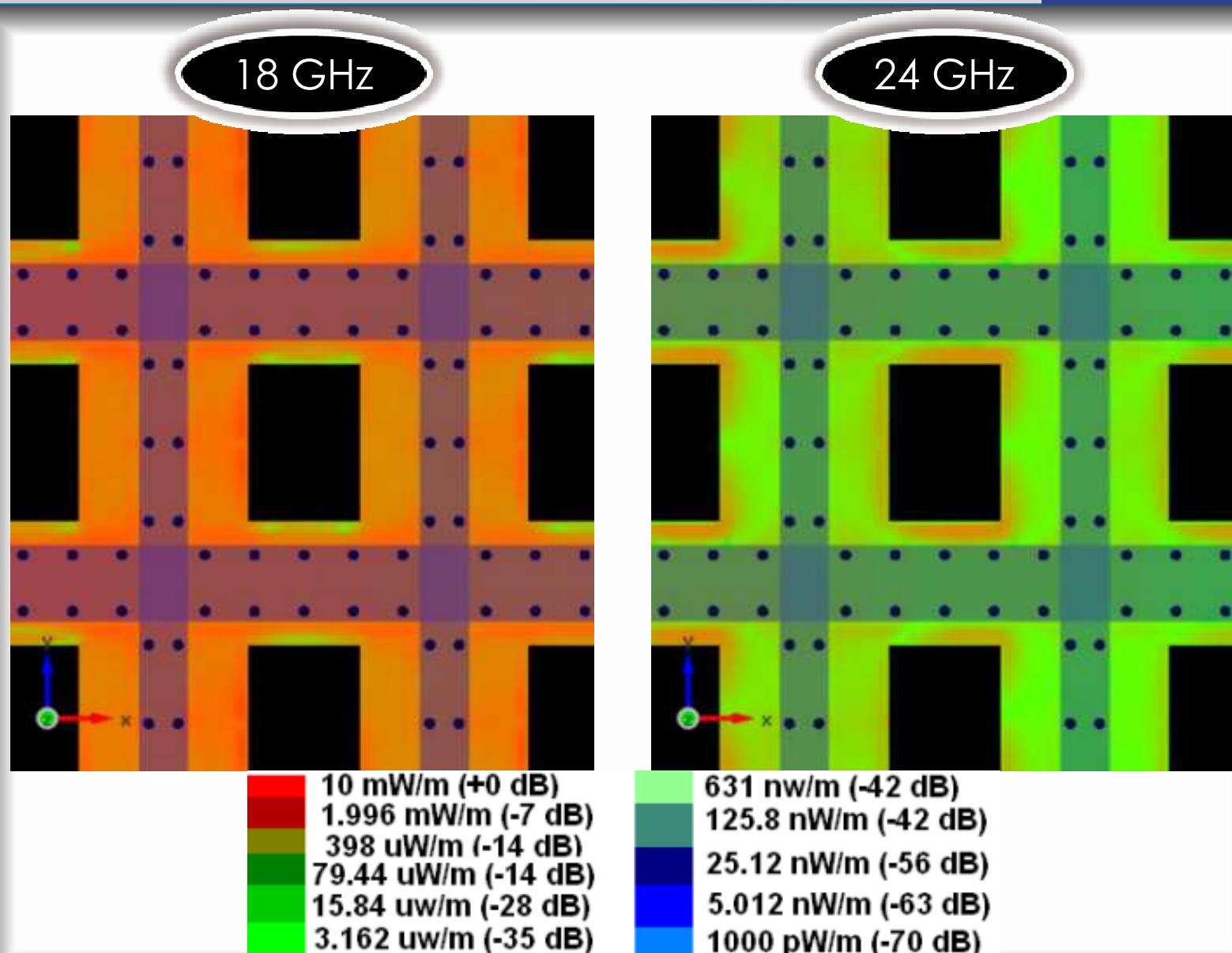
Spacing	Surface Wave	SEP	Scan Impedance	$\beta$ effective
$0.5\lambda$	50	52	53	51
$0.55\lambda$	35	37	37	37
$0.6\lambda$	25	27	28	26.5

Surface Wave  
Suppression

Perturbing and  
PBG Idea

Electrical Wall +  
Via



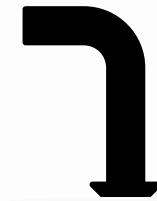
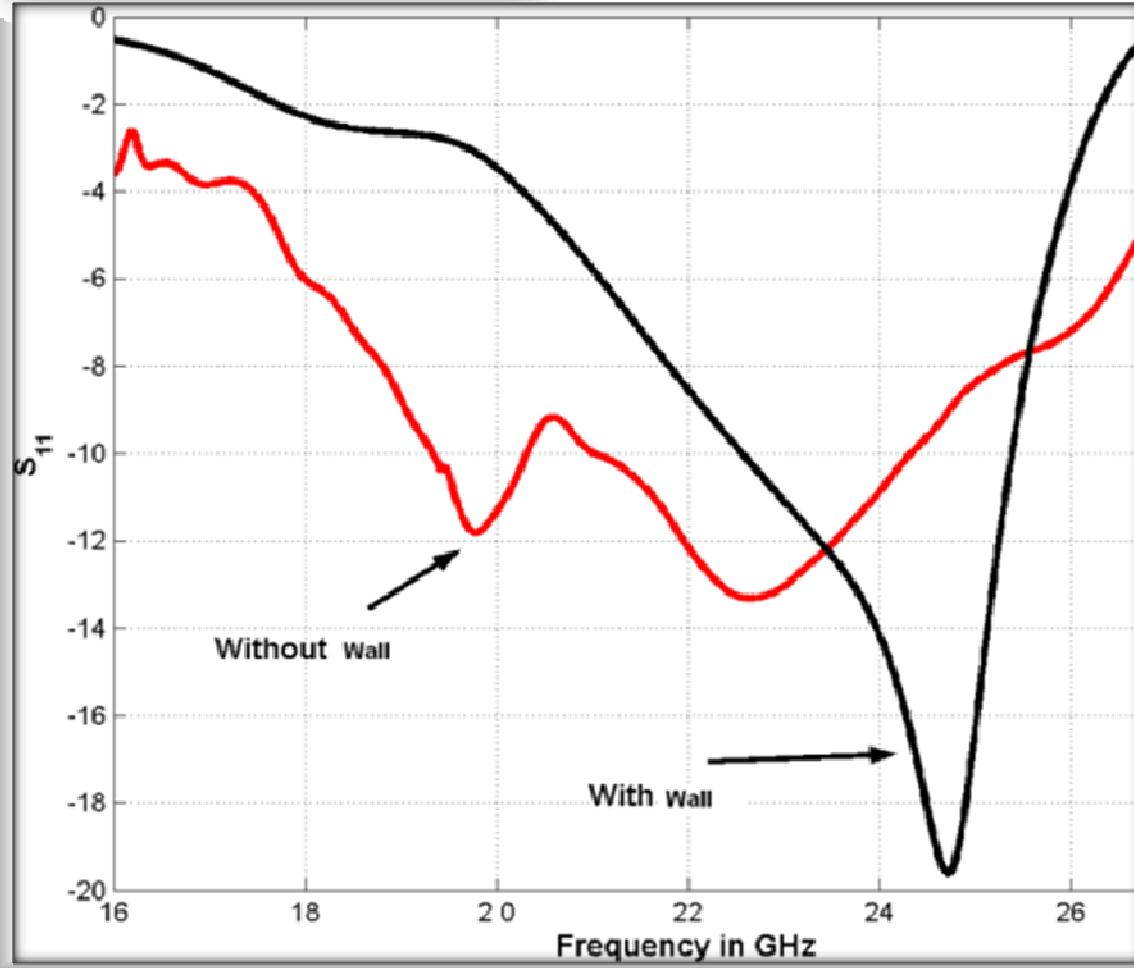




Near Field Interference

Frequency Up-shift

Single Element Tuning

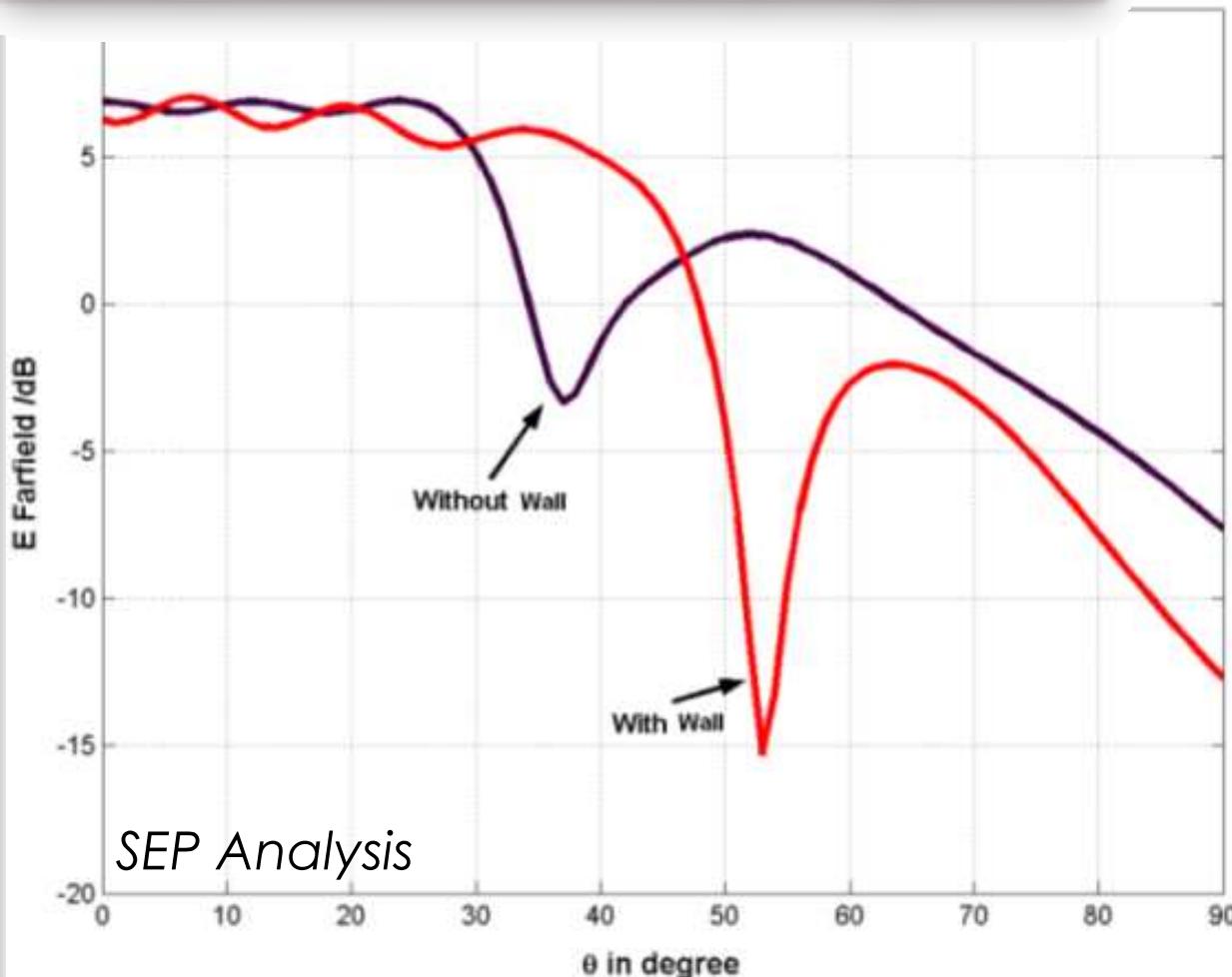


Match Improvement from Suppressed Surface Wave

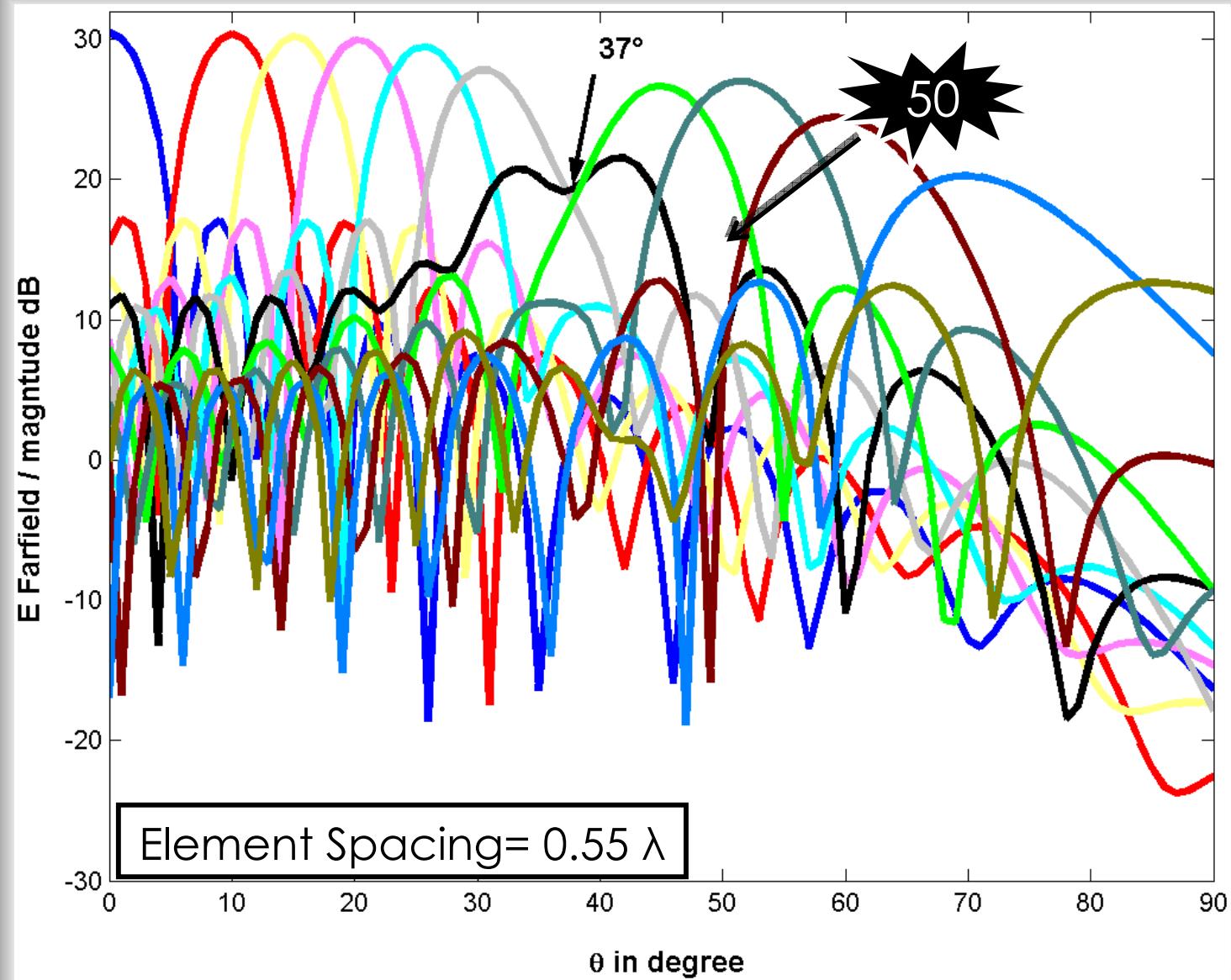
Element Spacing=  $0.55 \lambda$ 

Grating Lobe at 55

Blind spot is moved toward grating lobe.

 $\beta$  close to 1

Surface Wave is Suppressed





Waveguide  
Mode



Plane Wave with  
Specific Angle

28°

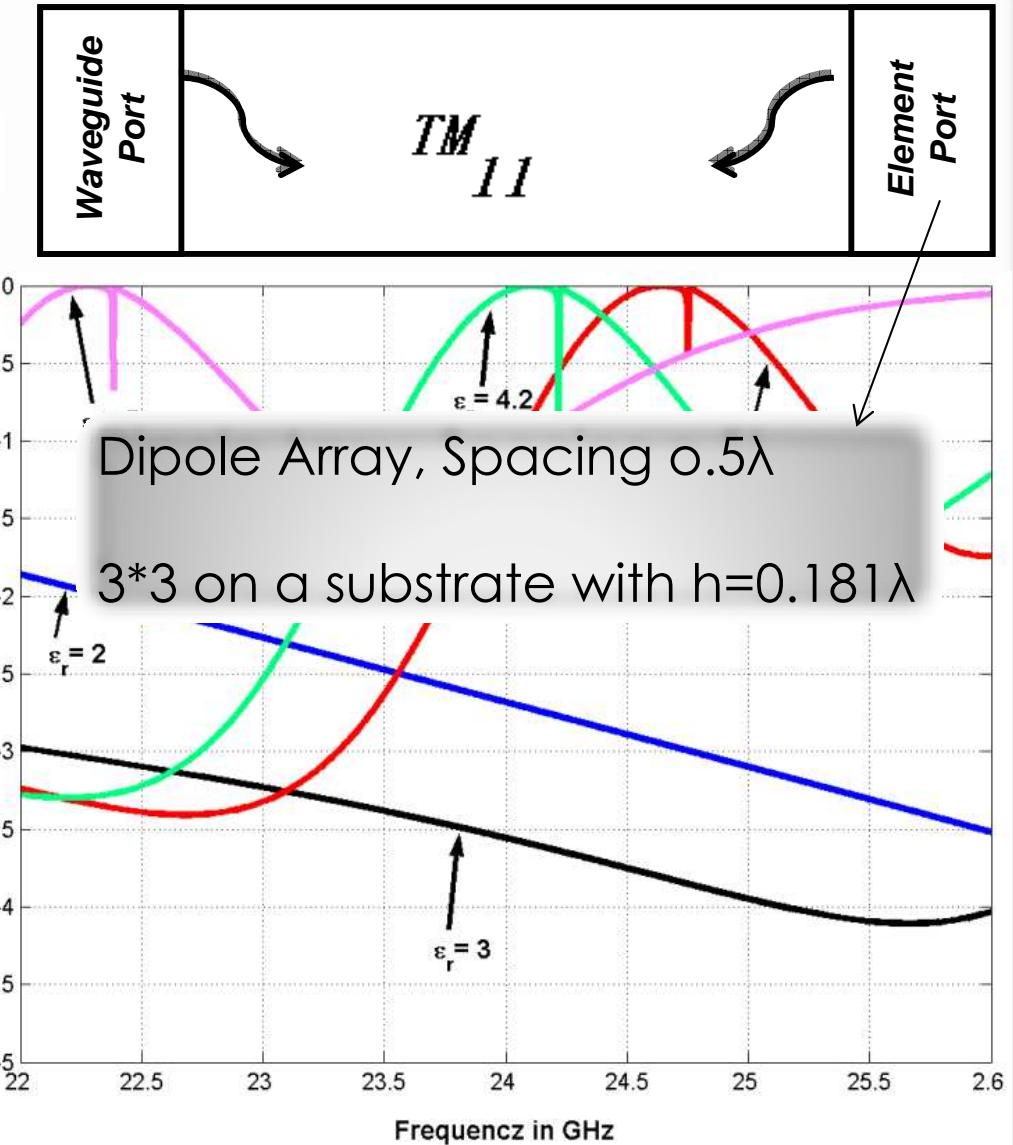
One Polarization

E-  
plane

One Frequency

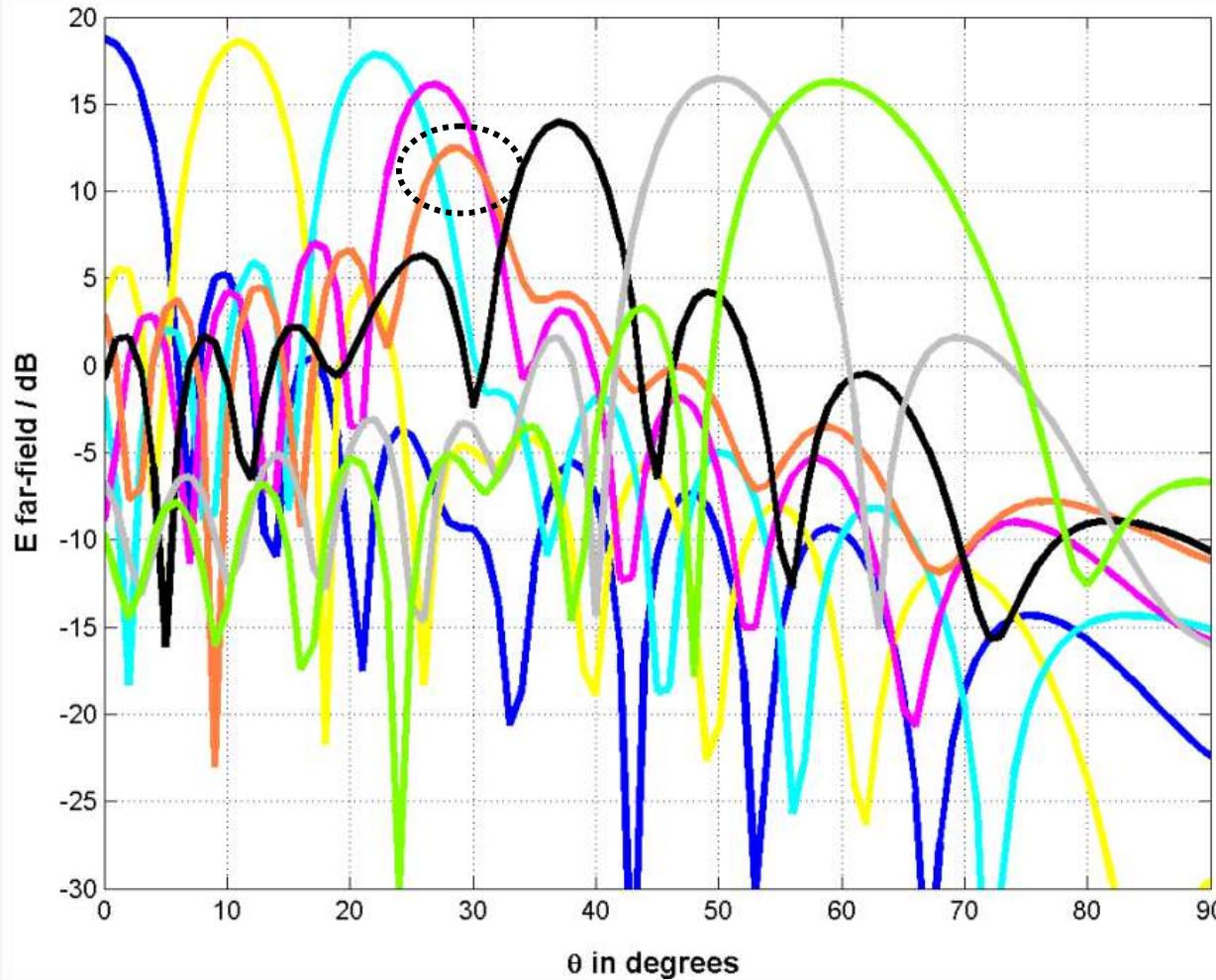
24  
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Null Positions,  
Array Symmetry  
Plane





Farfield pattern of a linear array of 17 dipoles on a substrate with  $\epsilon=4.2$  from Scan Impedance Method



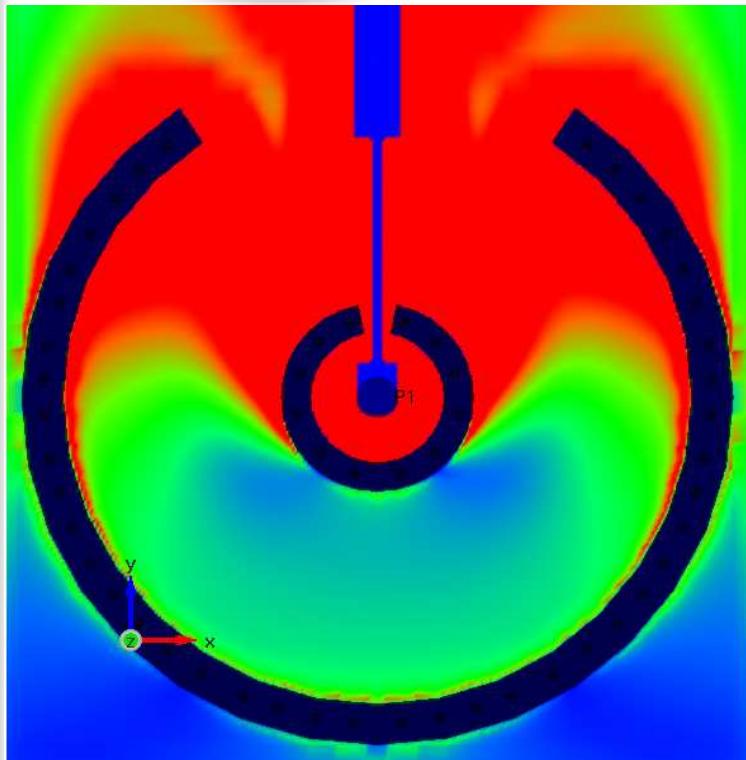
- *Blindness prediction for dipoles and patches*
- *New method based on  $\beta$  calculations*
- *Blindness control*
- *Waveguide simulation as comparison*
- *$\beta$  calculations for other single elements*
- *Optimized feeding network*
- *Another suppressing structures*





*Thank you for your attention!*





Why?



- Simple Feeding Network
- Easy to introduce phase shifters

Disadvantages



- Pin's Spurious Radiation
- Amplitude Distribution

