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# Possibility of using antenna arrays in IEEE 802.15.8 

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## Antenna arrays



- By changing weights' distribution (w) array radiation pattern can be changed.
- They can be used to increase gain and interference resilience as well as for DOA estimation, etc..
- We will consider horizontal linear arrays with equidistant elements.
- We are interested in increasing gain in the horizontal plane.
- We will consider weights distributions which give maximum gain in a prescribed direction.
- Analogous to matched filtering in detection theory.

Antenna array patterns for 10 element array with $d_{0}=\lambda / 2$


## How big does antenna array needs to be to achieve a given gain?



## For several bands and array gains array size is...

| Steering angle (\%) | Gain (dB) | Number of elements needed | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Size @ } \\ & 900 \mathrm{MHz} \\ & \text { ISM (m) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Size @ } \\ & 2.4 \mathrm{GHz} \\ & \text { ISM (m) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Size @ } \\ & 5.8 \mathrm{GHz} \\ & \text { ISM (m) } \end{aligned}$ | Size @ 8 GHz UWB (m) |
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| 0 | 5 | 2 | 0.17 | 0.0625 | 0.023 | 0.019 |
| 60 | 5 | 6 | 0.83 | 0.31 | 0.13 | 0.094 |
| 0 | 8 | 5 | 0.67 | 0.25 | 0.1 | 0.075 |
| 60 | 8 | 10 | 1.5 | 0.56 | 0.23 | 0.17 |
| 0 | 14 | 15 | 2.33 | 0.875 | 0.362 | 0.26 |
| 60 | 14 | 35 | 5.67 | 2.125 | 0.88 | 0.637 |

## Conclusions

- Basic properties of linear, half-wavelength equidistant antenna arrays were described.
- We investigated a maximum gain achievable for a given carrier frequency, steering angle and array size.
- Sizes of antenna arrays become practical for mounting on PAC devices only at bands higher than 5 GHz .

