

# FEKO & HFSS beam comparison

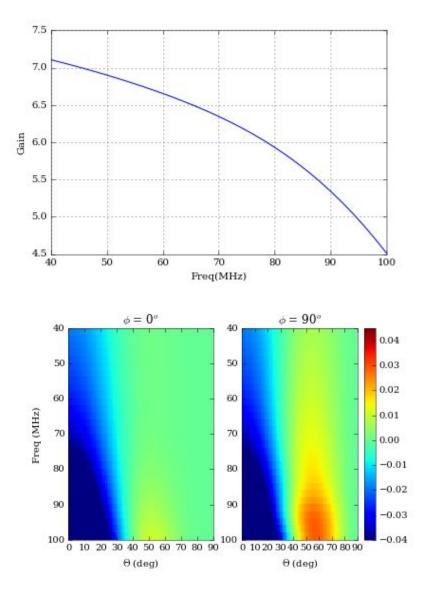
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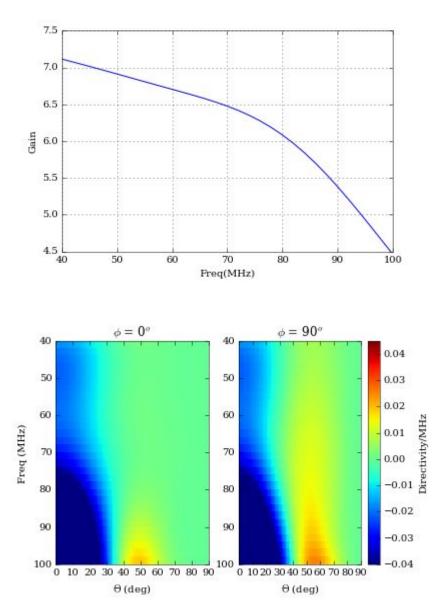
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## HFSS results - PEC ground

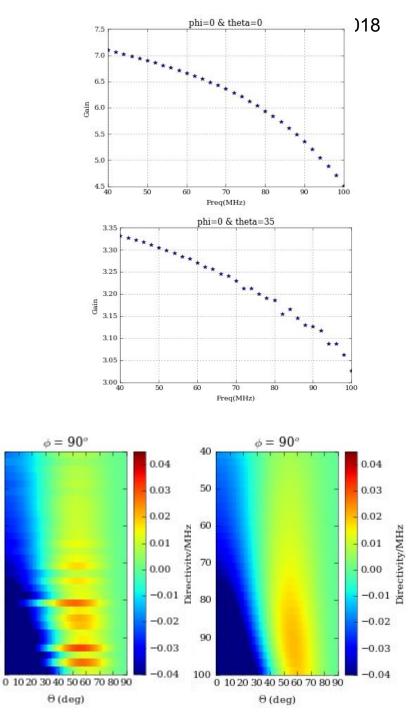
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- The default FEM solver was used. This requires a bounding box. Which was set to λ/4 of the largest wavelength.

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### Memo 117 <u>HFSS IE results - PEC ground</u>

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- The Integral Equation solver was used.
  This is similar to the MOM solver of FEKO.
- The top graph is gain versus Freq at theta = 0 & phi=0. The second plot is at theta=35 & phi=0.
- This solver results can result in non-physical variation between frequencies
- The bottom graph shows the change in absolute gain at every MHz for all values of theta at phi=90. Left is directly from the simulation. Right is a 7th order polynomial fit in frequency.



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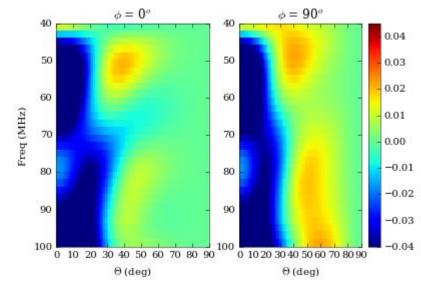
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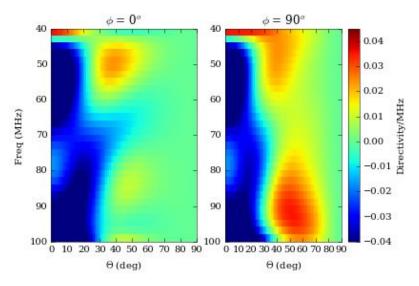
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#### Memo 117 VLOCO <u>Real ground - FEKO & HFSS- IE</u>

- The structure of the antenna is kept same as before.
- The ground plane is now a 10m X 10m PEC and below is soil with  $\epsilon_r = 3.5$  and  $\sigma$ = 2 \* 10<sup>-2</sup> S/m.

- The top figure shows the gain derivative plots for the beam obtained using FEKO simulations
- The bottom plot shows the gain derivative plots for the beam obtained by fitting a 7th order polynomial fit in frequency to the HFSS-IE simulations



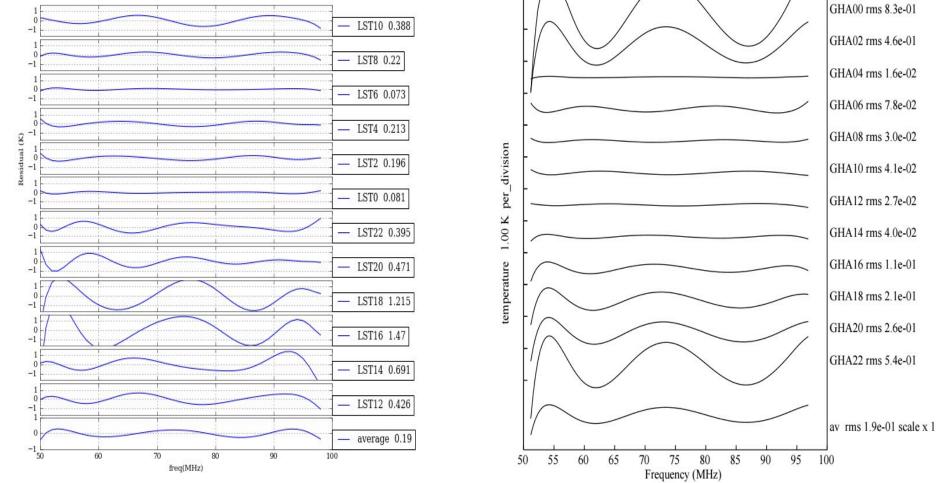


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#### Residues to beam fitting from real ground simulations- HFSS-IE

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