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Good Luck

Problem I: (10 points)

The Goldstone 80 meters reflector is a deep space antenna capable of communicating up to Pluto and beyond.

1. Calculate the directivity of this antenna in dB at 5 GHz and 35 GHz, assuming an aperture efficiency of 80% at 5 GHz, and 70% at 35GHz.
 2. Estimate the 3-dB beamwidths at 5 GHz and 35 GHz.
 3. If you are communicating with a satellite around Uranus (distance 3000 Millions Km from earth), which frequency would you use (5 GHz or 35 GHz), assume the satellite carries a reflector antenna of 2 meters diameter. Explain your reasoning.
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Problem II: 10 points)

A very short ($l \leq \lambda/50$) vertical electric dipole is mounted on a pole a height h above a flat perfectly conducting ground. The dipole is used as a transmitting antenna in a VHF ($f = 50$ MHz) ground-to-air communication system. In order for this dipole not to interfere with a nearby radio station, it is necessary to place a null in the dipole antenna pattern at an angle of 80 degrees from the vertical (z-axis). What should be the shortest (in meters) in order to achieve such a specification?

Problem III: (10 points)

The normalized radiation intensity of an antenna is given by:

$$U = \sin^2 \theta \sin^3 \phi$$

If the intensity exists in the region $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$, and $-\pi/2 \leq \phi \leq \pi/2$, and is zero elsewhere.

Find:

1. The exact maximum directivity (dimensionless and in dB).
2. The azimuth and elevation half power beam-widths.
3. The antenna beam solid angle (Ω_A)
4. The approximate directivity and the percentage difference between the exact and approximate directivities.
5. The antenna maximum power gain, if the antenna loss resistance is 5Ω and its radiation resistance in 120Ω .