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- Tied end-to-end
- About 33 to 34 feet each
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## EZNEC

- Calculate antenna impedances
- Calculate antenna gain
- Calculate far field plot
- Calculate antenna current

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- Three current nodes Nodes are peaks
- When current is high, voltage is low
- R = E/I ... Therefore impedance is low

## 3/2 WL 20M Dipole at 40M

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#### Use SimSmith for Bullseye

- Use 3:1 SWR target
  - Radio likes 1:1
  - Radio limits above 3:1
  - All auto tuners will match 3:1
  - Limited coax loss at 3:1 and below
- Use antenna Z file from EZNEC
- Use simple transmission line
- Set generator Z to 75 Ohms

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- Look at EZNEC
- Current nodes of ¾ WL are displaced from center
- The center is almost a current minimum
- Center voltage is therefore high
- Center impedance is high
- ¼ WL transmission line will transform Z to low

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- Is 5/2 WL at 12 M and TL is 1 WL so OK
- Would be OK at 16 M but not ham band
- No other bands?

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- 92 ft dipole
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- 40, 20, 17, 12, 10 M match?

#### W5DXP resource

- Cecil Moore W5DXP
- Likes matching with balanced window line
- Has 130 ft dipole and method for matching
- Plots antenna length with matching section
- Investigated ZS6BKW
- Has many ideas for additional band match

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# Links

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- http://www.w5dxp.com/
- <u>http://www.w5ddl.org/files/Zs6bkw\_vs\_G5rv\_2010022</u>
  <u>1b.pdf</u>
- <u>http://ars.nc4fb.org/zs6bkw/zs6bkw-antenna-from-the-horses-mouth-by-g0gsf.pdf</u>
- <u>http://www.nc4fb.org/wordpress/zs6bkw-multi-band-antenna/</u>
- <u>http://www.wirelesswaffle.com/index.php?m=02&y=0</u> <u>7&entry=entry070209-160601</u>



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