Appendix A

Rr calculation using the Poynting vector

This is a summary of the mathematics used to integrate the power density (**P**) over a hypothetical surface to determine **Rr** and **Rg**.

$$P = Re[\overline{S} = \overline{E} \times \overline{H^*}] W/m^2$$
(1)

Note: the usual convention assumes peak values for E and H but EZNEC provides E and H in rms so the 1/2 coefficient has been omitted. The asterisk H* indicates the complex conjugate.

I'm modeling vertical antennas which are symmetric in ϕ so my surfaces of integration will be either a cylinder coaxial with the z-axis or a circular disc in the x-y, z=constant plane. In cylindrical and Cartesian coordinates :

$$\overline{S} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{r} & \hat{\varphi} & \hat{z} \\ \widetilde{E}_r & \widetilde{E}_{\varphi} & \widetilde{E}_z \\ \widetilde{H}_r^* & \widetilde{H}_{\phi}^* & \widetilde{H}_z^* \end{vmatrix}$$
(2a)
$$\overline{S} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \widetilde{E}_x & \widetilde{E}_y & \widetilde{E}_z \\ \widetilde{H}_x^* & \widetilde{H}_y^* & \widetilde{H}_z^* \end{vmatrix}$$
(2b)

The notation \tilde{E}_x implies that the field component is complex. EZNEC gives the fields in amplitude and phase format in Cartesian coordinates. For example:

$$\widetilde{E}_{x} = \left| \widetilde{E}_{x} \right| e^{j\varphi_{x}} = E_{x} [\cos\varphi_{x} + j\sin\varphi_{x}]$$
(3)

By exploiting the symmetry of a vertical and choosing to compute the field values along lines in the y=0 plane I can use H_y for H_{ϕ} . Also with this symmetry we know that $H_x = H_z = E_y = 0$ for a vertical wire parallel to the z-axis.

So (2b) simplifies to:

$$\overline{S} = \begin{vmatrix} \widehat{x} & \widehat{y} & \widehat{z} \\ \widetilde{E}_x & 0 & \widetilde{E}_z \\ 0 & \widetilde{H}_y^* & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$
(4)

What I'm after is the component of **S** normal to the surface so (4) reduces to:

$$S_x = -\widetilde{E}_z \widetilde{H}_y^*$$
 and $S_z = \widetilde{E}_x \widetilde{H}_y^*$ (5)

 S_x will be integrated along a line parallel to the z-axis at a constant distance x' for the cylinder surface and S_z along the x-axis with a constant value of z' for the disc.

To obtain the complex conjugate for H_y from the NEC tables you simply use $-(\varphi_y)$.



$$S_{x} = -\widetilde{E}_{z}\widetilde{H}_{y}^{*} = E_{z}H_{y}e^{j(\varphi_{z}-\varphi_{y})} = E_{z}H_{y}[cos(\varphi_{z}-\varphi_{y})+jsin(\varphi_{z}-\varphi_{y})]$$

Finally! The power density normal to the surface of the cylinder is:

$$P_{x} = Re\left[-\widetilde{E}_{z}\widetilde{H}_{y}^{*}\right] = E_{z}H_{y}\left[cos(\varphi_{z}-\varphi_{y})\right] \left[\frac{W}{m^{2}}\right]$$

And the power density normal to the surface of the disc is:

$$P_{z} = Re[\tilde{E}_{x}\tilde{H}_{y}^{*}] = E_{x}H_{y}[cos(\varphi_{x}-\varphi_{y})] \quad \left[\frac{W}{m^{2}}\right]$$

Where E_x , ψ_x , E_z , ψ_z , H_y and ψ_y are obtained from the near-field tables generated by EZNEC.

We now have what we need to calculate the total power in EXCEL by dividing the cylinder surface in strips Δz wide with areas of $2\pi x'\Delta z$ multiplied by P_x . The power in the strips is then summed. Similarly, the disc at z' can be divided into concentric rings Δx wide with areas of $2\pi x'\Delta x$ multiplied by P_z at the center of each ring and then summed.