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List of 24 Radar & Antenna Specifications Formulas

Radar & Antenna Specifications

1) Antenna Aperture Efficiency

$$\text{fx } \eta_a = \frac{A_{\text{eff}}}{A_a}$$

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$$\text{ex } 0.7 = \frac{17.5875\text{m}^2}{25.125\text{m}^2}$$

2) Antenna Area

$$\text{fx } A_a = \frac{A_{\text{eff}}}{\eta_a}$$

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$$\text{ex } 25.125\text{m}^2 = \frac{17.5875\text{m}^2}{0.7}$$

3) Cumulative Probability of Detection

$$\text{fx } p_c = 1 - (1 - p_{\text{detect}})^n$$

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$$\text{ex } 0.4375 = 1 - (1 - 0.25)^2$$



4) Doppler Angular Frequency

$$fx \quad \omega_d = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot f_d$$

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$$ex \quad 64.71681 \text{rad/s} = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot 10.3 \text{Hz}$$

5) Doppler Frequency

$$fx \quad f_d = \frac{\omega_d}{2 \cdot \pi}$$

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$$ex \quad 10.30003 \text{Hz} = \frac{64.717 \text{rad/s}}{2 \cdot \pi}$$

6) Effective Area of Receiving Antenna

$$fx \quad A_{\text{eff}} = A_a \cdot \eta_a$$

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$$ex \quad 17.5875 \text{m}^2 = 25.125 \text{m}^2 \cdot 0.7$$

7) Maximum Gain of Antenna

$$fx \quad G_{\text{max}} = \frac{\rho_{\text{max}}}{\rho}$$

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$$ex \quad 1.5 \text{dB} = \frac{15 \text{kW/m}^3}{10 \text{kW/m}^3}$$



8) Maximum Power Density Radiated by Antenna

$$fx \quad \rho_{\max} = \rho \cdot G_{\max}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 15\text{kW}/\text{m}^3 = 10\text{kW}/\text{m}^3 \cdot 1.5\text{dB}$$

9) Maximum Range of Radar

$$fx \quad R_t = \left(\frac{P_{\text{trns}} \cdot G_{\text{trns}} \cdot \sigma \cdot A_{\text{eff}}}{16 \cdot \pi^2 \cdot S_{\text{min}}} \right)^{0.25}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 289.6204\text{m} = \left(\frac{100\text{kW} \cdot 657 \cdot 25\text{m}^2 \cdot 17.5875\text{m}^2}{16 \cdot \pi^2 \cdot 0.026\text{W}} \right)^{0.25}$$

10) Maximum Unambiguous Range

$$fx \quad R_{\text{un}} = \frac{[c] \cdot T_{\text{pulse}}}{2}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 8.789915\text{km} = \frac{[c] \cdot 58.64\mu\text{s}}{2}$$

11) Measured Runtime

$$fx \quad T_{\text{run}} = 2 \cdot \frac{R_t}{[c]}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 1.932137\mu\text{s} = 2 \cdot \frac{289.62\text{m}}{[c]}$$



12) Minimum Detectable Signal

$$fx \quad S_{\min} = \frac{P_{\text{trns}} \cdot G_{\text{trns}} \cdot \sigma \cdot A_{\text{eff}}}{16 \cdot \pi^2 \cdot R_t^4}$$

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$$ex \quad 0.026W = \frac{100kW \cdot 657 \cdot 25m^2 \cdot 17.5875m^2}{16 \cdot \pi^2 \cdot (289.62m)^4}$$

13) N Scans

$$fx \quad n = \frac{\log_{10}(1 - p_c)}{\log_{10}(1 - p_{\text{detect}})}$$

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$$ex \quad 2 = \frac{\log_{10}(1 - 0.4375)}{\log_{10}(1 - 0.25)}$$

14) Power Density Radiated by Lossless Antenna

$$fx \quad \rho = \frac{P_{\max}}{G_{\max}}$$

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$$ex \quad 10kW/m^3 = \frac{15kW/m^3}{1.5dB}$$

15) Probability of Detection

$$fx \quad p_{\text{detect}} = 1 - (1 - p_c)^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

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$$ex \quad 0.25 = 1 - (1 - 0.4375)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$



16) Pulse Repetition Frequency 

$$fx \quad f_{rep} = \frac{[c]}{2 \cdot R_{un}}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 17053.04Hz = \frac{[c]}{2 \cdot 8.79km}$$

17) Pulse Repetition Time 

$$fx \quad T_{pulse} = \frac{2 \cdot R_{un}}{[c]}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 58.64057\mu s = \frac{2 \cdot 8.79km}{[c]}$$

18) Radar Antenna Height 

$$fx \quad H_a = \frac{\Delta R \cdot R_o}{2 \cdot H_t}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 450m = \frac{9m \cdot 40000m}{2 \cdot 400m}$$

19) Radial Velocity 

$$fx \quad v_r = \frac{f_d \cdot \lambda}{2}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 2.987m/s = \frac{10.3Hz \cdot 0.58m}{2}$$



20) Range of Target 

$$fx \quad R_t = \frac{[c] \cdot T_{run}}{2}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 289.5995m = \frac{[c] \cdot 1.932\mu s}{2}$$

21) Target Height 

$$fx \quad H_t = \frac{\Delta R \cdot R_o}{2 \cdot H_a}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 400m = \frac{9m \cdot 40000m}{2 \cdot 450m}$$

22) Target Velocity 

$$fx \quad v_t = \frac{\Delta f_d \cdot \lambda}{2}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 5.8m/s = \frac{20Hz \cdot 0.58m}{2}$$

23) Transmitted Frequency 

$$fx \quad f_{trns} = f_d \cdot \frac{[c]}{2 \cdot v_r}$$

Open Calculator 

$$ex \quad 5.2E^8Hz = 10.3Hz \cdot \frac{[c]}{2 \cdot 2.987m/s}$$



24) Transmitted Gain

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$$\text{fx } G_{\text{trns}} = \frac{4 \cdot \pi \cdot A_{\text{eff}}}{\lambda^2}$$

$$\text{ex } 656.9888 = \frac{4 \cdot \pi \cdot 17.5875\text{m}^2}{(0.58\text{m})^2}$$



Variables Used










- A_a Antenna Area (Square Meter)
- A_{eff} Effective Area of Receiving Antenna (Square Meter)
- f_d Doppler Frequency (Hertz)
- f_{rep} Pulse Repetition Frequency (Hertz)
- f_{trns} Transmitted Frequency (Hertz)
- G_{max} Maximum Gain of Antenna (Decibel)
- G_{trns} Transmitted Gain
- H_a Antenna Height (Meter)
- H_t Target Height (Meter)
- n N Scans
- p_c Cumulative Probability of Detection
- P_{detect} Detection Probability of Radar
- P_{trns} Transmitted Power (Kilowatt)
- R_o Range (Meter)
- R_t Target Range (Meter)
- R_{un} Maximum Unambiguous Range (Kilometer)
- S_{min} Minimum Detectable Signal (Watt)
- T_{pulse} Pulse Repetition Time (Microsecond)
- T_{run} Measured Runtime (Microsecond)
- v_r Radial Velocity (Meter per Second)



- v_t Target Velocity (Meter per Second)
- Δf_d Doppler Frequency Shift (Hertz)
- ΔR Range Resolution (Meter)
- η_a Antenna Aperture Efficiency
- λ Wavelength (Meter)
- ρ Lossless Isotropic Power Density (Kilowatt Per Cubic Meter)
- ρ_{max} Maximum Radiated Power Density (Kilowatt Per Cubic Meter)
- σ Cross Section Area of Radar (Square Meter)
- ω_d Doppler Angular Frequency (Radian per Second)



Constants, Functions, Measurements used

- **Constant:** **pi**, 3.14159265358979323846264338327950288
Archimedes' constant
- **Constant:** **[c]**, 299792458.0 Meter/Second
Light speed in vacuum
- **Function:** **log10**, log10(Number)
Common logarithm function (base 10)
- **Measurement:** **Length** in Meter (m), Kilometer (km)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Time** in Microsecond (μs)
Time Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Area** in Square Meter (m^2)
Area Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Speed** in Meter per Second (m/s)
Speed Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Power** in Kilowatt (kW), Watt (W)
Power Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Frequency** in Hertz (Hz)
Frequency Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Sound** in Decibel (dB)
Sound Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Power Density** in Kilowatt Per Cubic Meter (kW/m^3)
Power Density Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Angular Frequency** in Radian per Second (rad/s)
Angular Frequency Unit Conversion 



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