

Measurement of Voltage Standing Wave Ratio (VSWR):

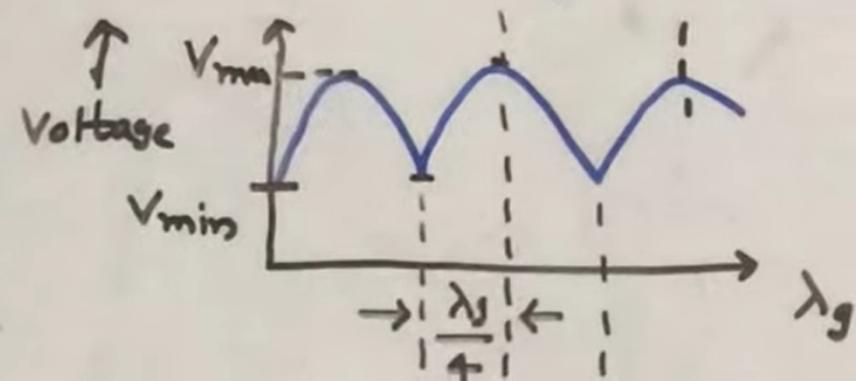
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$$S = \frac{V_{\max}}{V_{\min}} = \frac{1 + |P|}{1 - |P|}$$

magnitude of
Reflection coefficient.

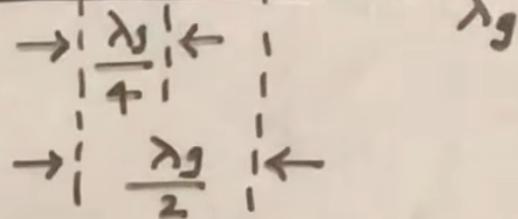
standing wave



from 1 to 00

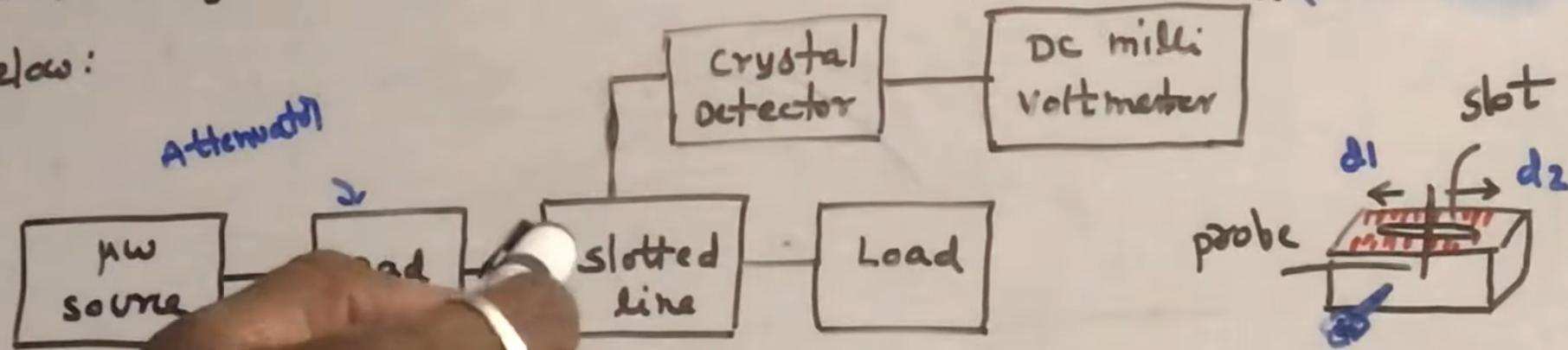
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whereas 'p' varies from 0 to 1.



measurement of Low VSWR ($s < 10$):

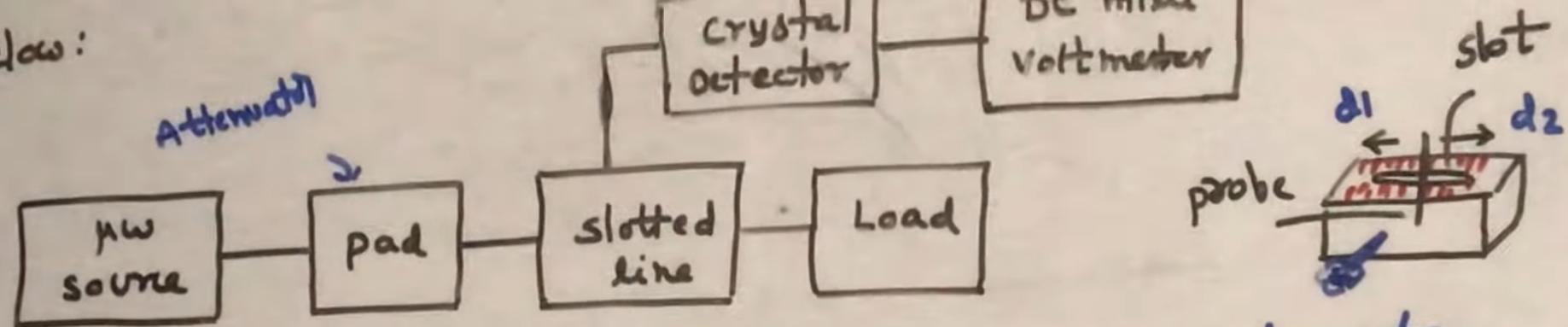
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- (ii) Initially reading is adjusted to give an adequate meter.

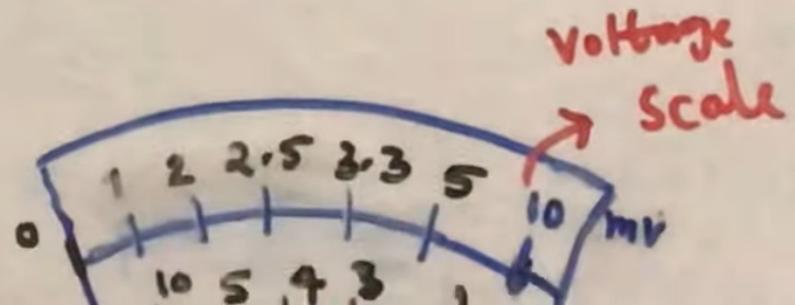
is moved to get maximum reading

shown below:



- (ii) Initially the attenuator is adjusted to give an adequate reading on the DC milli volt meter.
- (iii) The probe on the slotted line is moved to get maximum reading on the meter, V_{max} . Next the probe on the slotted line is adjusted to get minimum reading on the meter, V_{min} .

The ratio of $\frac{V_{max}}{V_{min}}$ gives VSWR.



(v) The meter can be calibrated in terms of VSWR. In this case, the probe on the slotted line or pad are adjusted to give maximum deflection on VSWR meter. This full scale deflection (FSO) corresponds to a VSWR of 1.

(vi) As we know, a FSO of 10 mV corresponds to a VSWR of 1. Now the meter is adjusted to get minimum reading on the meter. If it is 3.3 mV to 5 mV, then $VSWR = \frac{10mV}{5mV} = 2$. If it is 3.3 mV

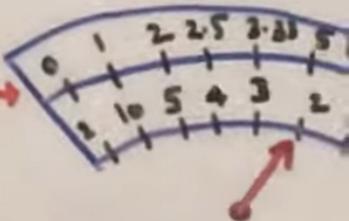
then $VSWR = \frac{10mV}{3.3mV} = 3$. If it is 1 mV then $VSWR = \frac{10mV}{1mV} = 10$.

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VSWR ($S > 10$):

Use double minimum method.

Voltage scale →



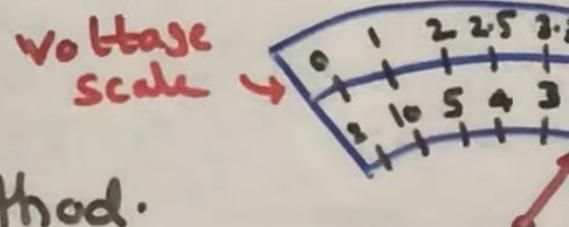
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b) measurement of High VSWR (Slope method)

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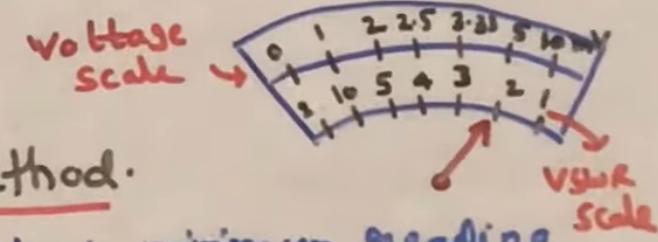
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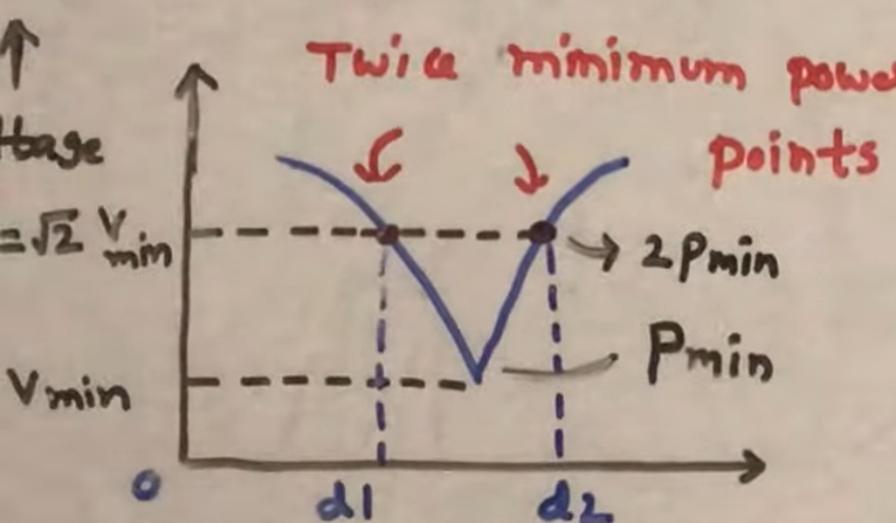


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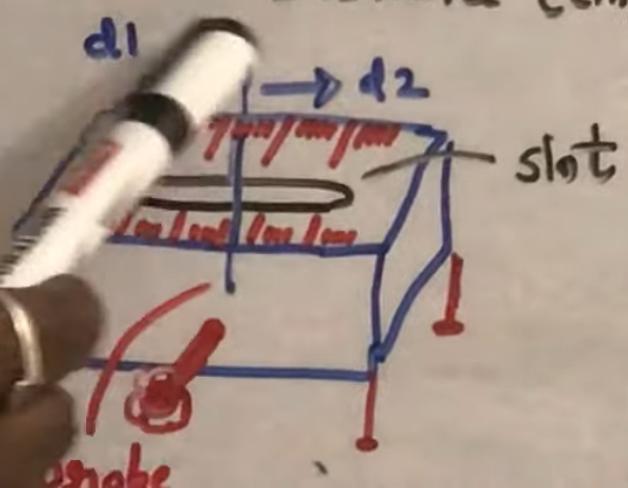
(ii) In this method, the probe is adjusted to find minimum reading (V_{min}) on the meter.

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Distance (cm) →



$$2P_{\min} \propto V_x^2 \rightarrow 2V_{\min}^2 \propto V_x^2$$

$$V_x = \sqrt{2} V_{\min}$$

(iv) The VSWR can be calculated using the Formula:

Ans

$$\text{VSWR} = \frac{\lambda_g}{\pi(d_2 - d_1)}$$

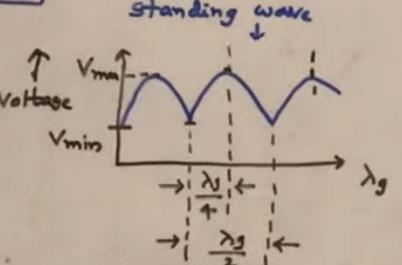
$$\lambda_g = \frac{\lambda_0}{\sqrt{1 - (\lambda_0/\lambda_c)^2}}, \quad \lambda_0 = c/f$$

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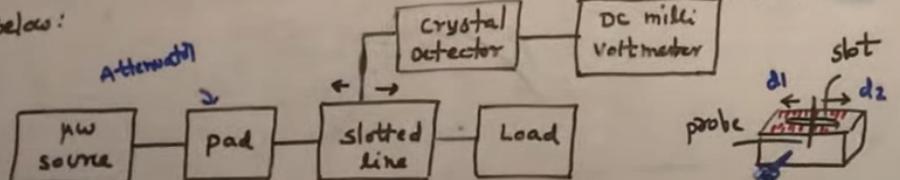


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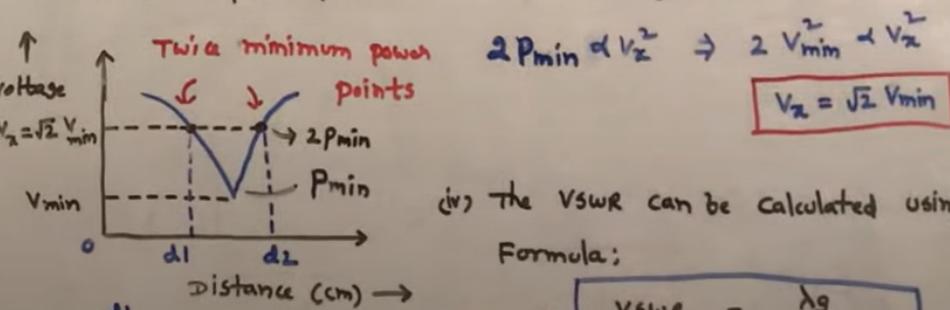
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