



Combat Systems Engineering - Radar Systems

Class 2 – Radar Range Equation

Chapter #2 Lecture
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Class Logistics



- ☐ **Schedule:**
 - ☐ **Wednesday, 6:30 – 9:00 pm, Rowan Hall Extension 319**
 - ☐ **15 class periods, 1 final exam period**
- ☐ **Required Textbook:**
 - ☐ **“Principles of Modern Radar, Basic Principles”**
 - ☐ **www.amazon.com**
- ☐ **Class notes (pdf e-mailed prior to each class):**
- ☐ **Grading:**
 - ☐ **50% final**
 - ☐ **20% midterm (take-home)**
 - ☐ **30% homework (none this week) (only Top 10 count, zero for late)**
- ☐ **Communications (e-mail preferred)**
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Class Schedule

| Class | | Subject | Date |
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| 1 | Overview | Introduction | 9/5/2018 |
| 2 | | Radar Equation | 9/12/2018 |
| 3 | | Detection / Probability | 9/19/2018 |
| 4 | External Factors | Propagation Effects | 9/26/2018 |
| 5 | | Clutter Characteristics | 10/3/2018 |
| 6 | | Target Reflectivity / Fluctuation Models | 10/10/2018 |
| 7 | -Midterm distributed- | Doppler Phenomenology / Fourier Transform | 10/17/2018 |
| 8 | Subsystems | Antennas | 10/24/2018 |
| 9 | - Midterm due - | Transmitters / Solid State Antennas | 10/31/2018 |
| 10 | | Receivers / Exciters | 11/7/2018 |
| 11 | Signal/Data Processing | Signal Processing | 11/14/2018 |
| 12 | - Thanksgiving - | Pulse Compression Waveforms | 11/21/2018 |
| 13 | | Doppler Waveforms | 11/28/2018 |
| 14 | - Final distributed - | CFAR | 12/5/2018 |
| 15 | | Radar Tracking | 12/12/2018 |
| | FINAL EXAM | Final Exam Due at 9 pm | 12/19/2018 |



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- ☐ **Receiver Thermal Noise**
- ☐ **Multiple Pulses**
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Radar Equation – Defined

- ❑ The radar equation defines, for a given amount of transmitter power and a given processing technique, how large of a target can be detected at a particular range



- ❑ Transmitted RF energy radiates isotropically or omnidirectionally
- ❑ Power density decreases as the sphere of RF energy propagates and spreads

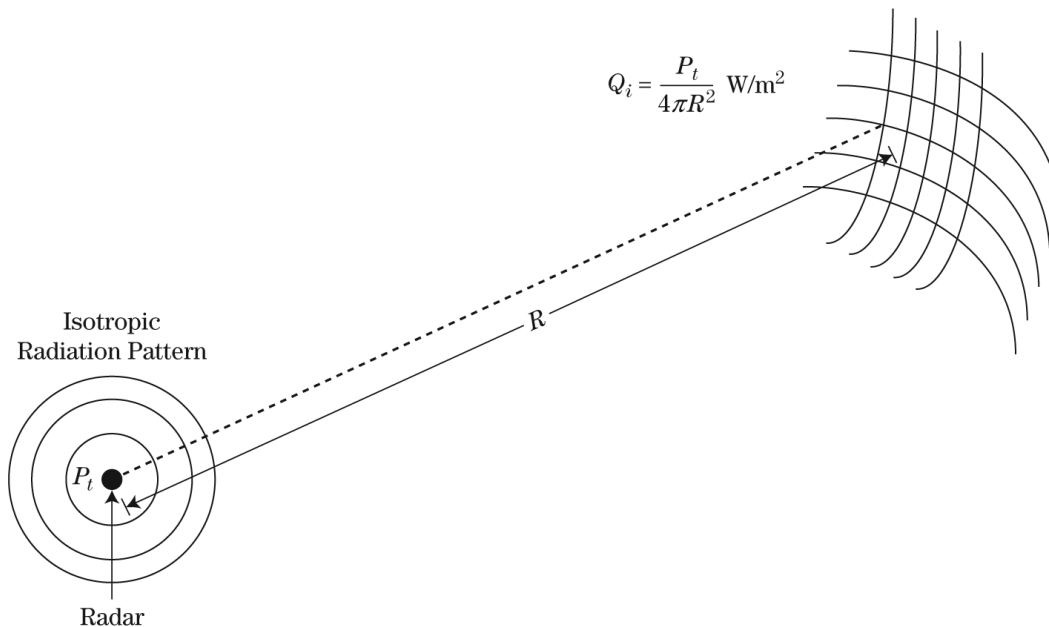


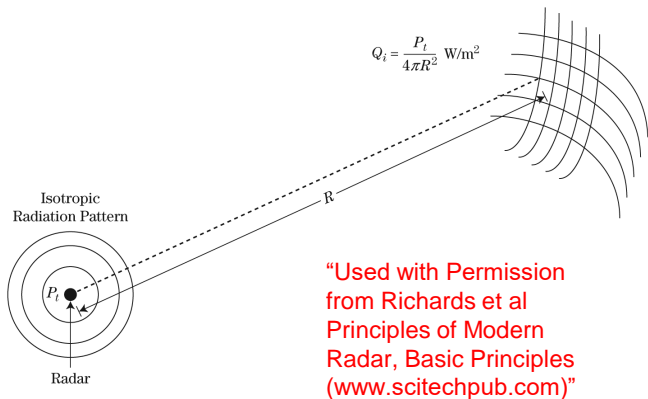
FIGURE 2-1 ■

Power density at range R from the radar transmitter, for an isotropic (omnidirectional) antenna.

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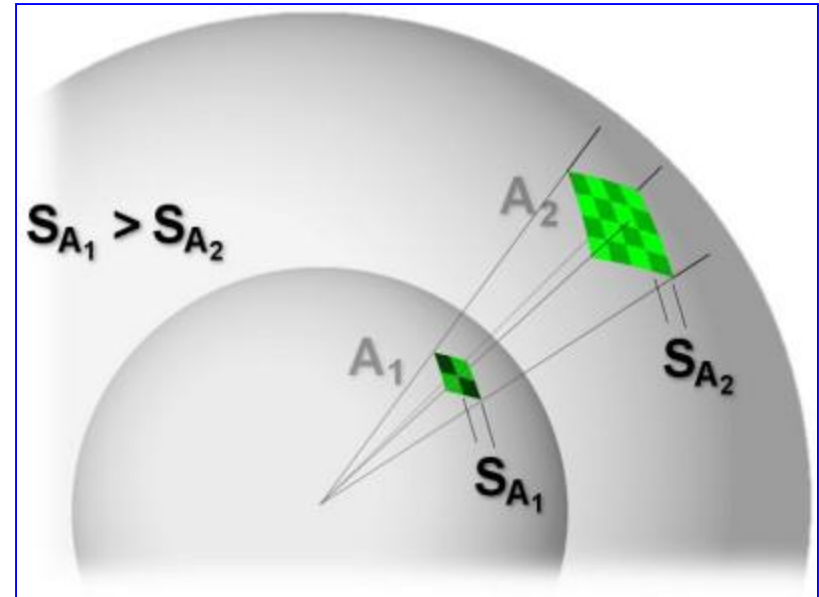


- ❑ Free-space path loss is a line of sight reduction in sensitivity. A doubling in range equals a quadrupling in surface area (S_A).
- ❑ There is no refraction or diffraction factored into the radar equation.



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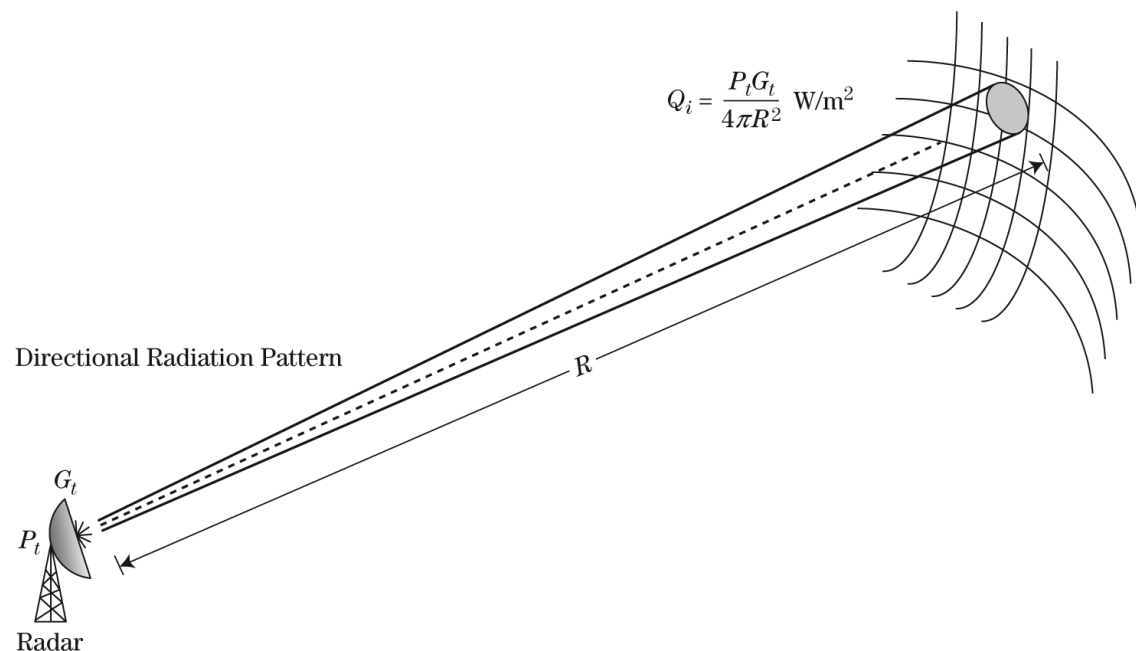


- Transmitted RF energy can be focused through the antenna as represented by the antenna gain, G_t

FIGURE 2-2 ■

Power density at range R given transmit antenna gain G_t .

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Received Power from a Target



- RF energy reflecting back to the antenna is a function of shape, size, and material

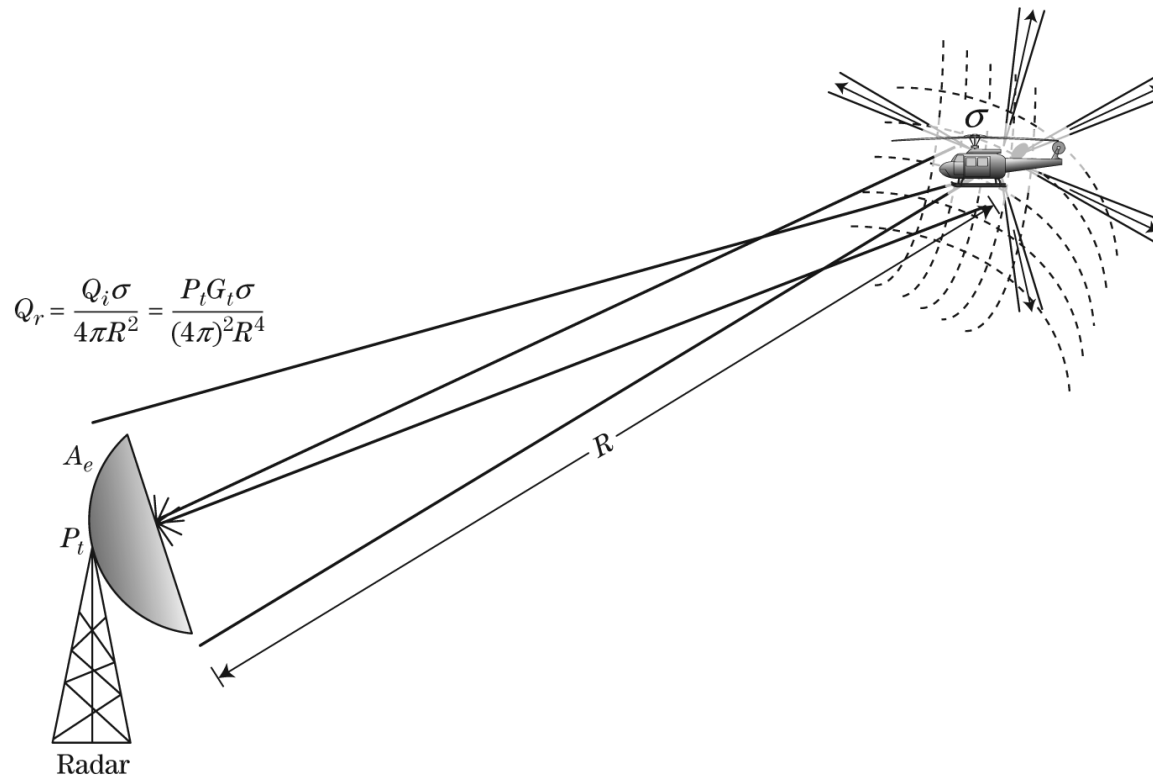


FIGURE 2-3 ■
Power density, Q_r ,
back at the radar
receive antenna.

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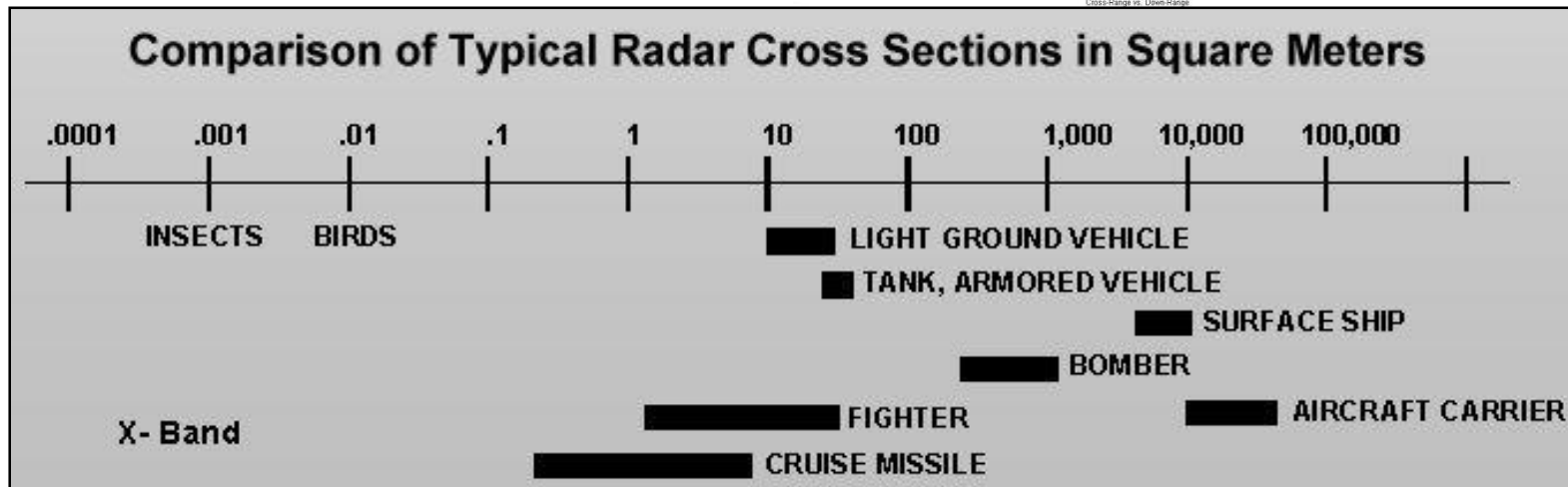
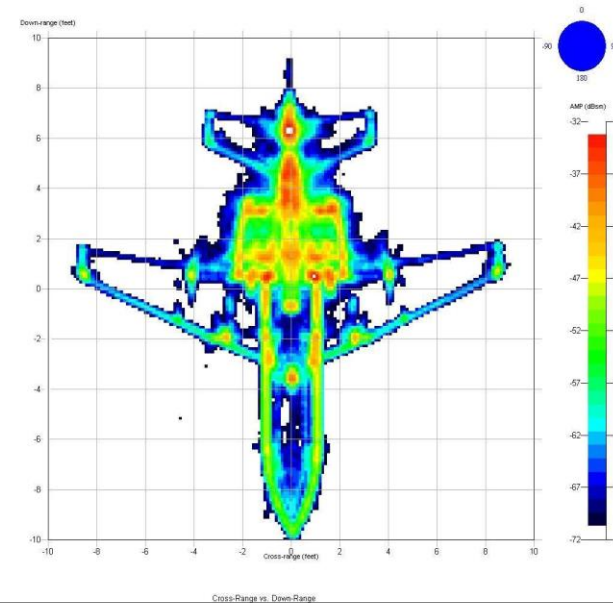
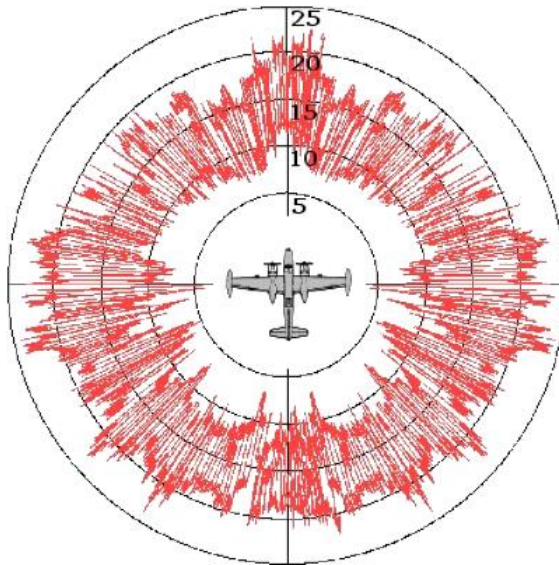


- ❑ Radar cross section (RCS) is a measure of the amount of electromagnetic energy a radar target intercepts and scatters back towards the target
- ❑ RCS is represented by the Greek letter σ , and is the product of three factors:
 - ❑ $\sigma = (\text{Geometric Cross Section}) \times (\text{Reflectivity}) \times (\text{Directivity})$

$$\left. \frac{P_T G_T}{4\pi R^2} \times \sigma \right\} \text{Power reflected from target } (\sigma = \text{target reflecting area})$$

Stealthy targets (low RCS) may use special materials to reduce reflectivity and streamline its structure to reduce directivity

Radar Cross Section, Examples



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Received Power Calculation



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left. \frac{P_T}{4\pi R^2} \right\} \text{Power per unit area at Range R from isotropic antenna} \\
 & \left. \frac{P_T G_T}{4\pi R^2} \right\} G_T \text{ term (transmit gain) focuses energy in direction in which gain applies} \\
 & \left. \frac{P_T G_T}{4\pi R^2} \times \sigma \right\} \text{Power reflected from target } (\sigma = \text{target reflecting area}) \\
 & \left. \frac{P_T G_T}{4\pi R^2} \times \frac{\sigma}{4\pi R^2} \right\} \left(\frac{\sigma}{4\pi R^2} \right) \text{Term represents energy reflected from target per unit area at receiver} \\
 & \left. \frac{P_T G_T}{4\pi R^2} \times \frac{\sigma}{4\pi R^2} \times A_R \right\} \text{Power collected by receive antenna } A_R \text{ is effective area of receive antenna} \\
 & \left. \frac{P_T G_T}{4\pi R^2} \times \frac{\sigma}{4\pi R^2} \times \frac{G_R \lambda^2}{4\pi} \right\} A_R = \frac{G_R \lambda^2}{4\pi} \quad G_R = \text{Receive Gain} \\
 & \left. \frac{P_T G_T}{4\pi R^2} \times \frac{\sigma}{4\pi R^2} \times \frac{G_R \lambda^2}{4\pi} \times \frac{I}{L} \right\} \text{Received Power} \quad \begin{array}{l} I = \text{Integration Gain} \\ L = \text{System Losses} \\ \lambda = \text{Wavelength} \end{array}
 \end{aligned}$$

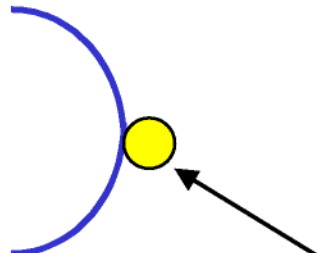
$$S = \text{Received Signal} = \frac{P_T G_T G_R \lambda^2 I \sigma}{(4\pi)^3 R^4 L}$$

Radar Equation - Receiving



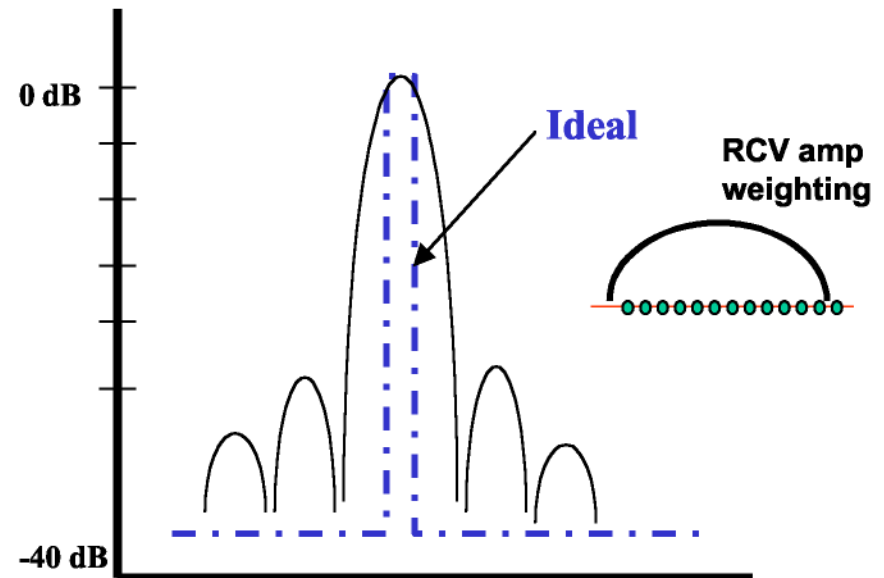
$$\left\{ \frac{P_T G_T}{4\pi R^2} \times \frac{\sigma}{4\pi R^2} \right\} \left(\frac{\sigma}{4\pi R^2} \right)$$

Term represents energy reflected from target per unit area at receiver



$$\frac{P_T G_T}{4\pi R^2} \left(\frac{\sigma}{4\pi R^2} \right) A_R$$

$$P_R = \frac{P_T G_T}{(4\pi)^2} \frac{\sigma}{R^4} \left(A_R \right)$$



RRE – Problem 4



- ❑ Ignoring losses, determine the single-pulse received power level (in dBm) for a 1 square meter target at a range of 36 km

2-4.

Using equation 2.8 on page 64, $P_r = \frac{P_t G_t G_r \lambda^2 \sigma}{(4\pi)^3 R^4}$, the received power for the four systems are

summarized in the table below.

| System | Peak Power (w) | Antenna Gain | Frequency | Pr (dBm) |
|--------|----------------|--------------|-----------|----------|
| a) | 25,000 | 36 dB | 9.4 GHz | |
| b) | 250,000 | 31 dB | 9.4 GHz | |
| c) | 250,000 | 31 dB | 2.8 GHz | |
| d) | 250,000 | 36 dB | 9.4 GHz | |

| Question 4 | P | Range(m) | Gain | Freq | Lambda | Pr | Pr (dB) | |
|------------|--------|----------|----------|---------|----------|----|---------|---|
| | 25000 | 36000 | 3981.072 | 9.4E+09 | 0.031915 | | | $S = \frac{P_t G_t G_r \lambda^2 \sigma}{(4\pi)^3 R^4}$ |
| | 250000 | 36000 | 1258.925 | 9.4E+09 | 0.031915 | | | |
| | 250000 | 36000 | 1258.925 | 2.8E+09 | 0.107143 | | | |
| | 250000 | 36000 | 3981.072 | 9.4E+09 | 0.031915 | | | |

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Signal to Noise Ratio

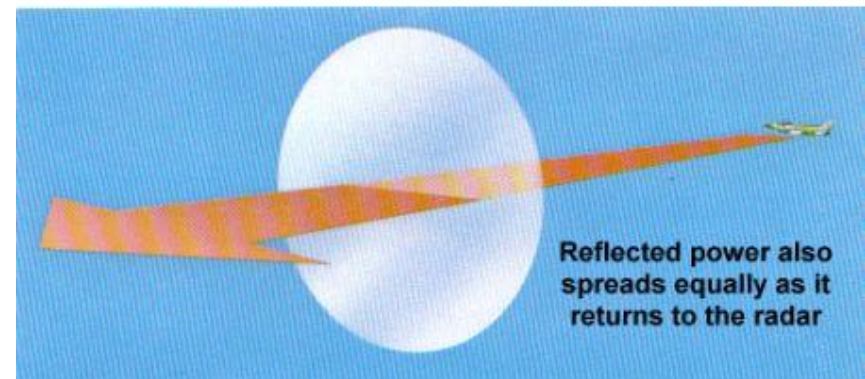
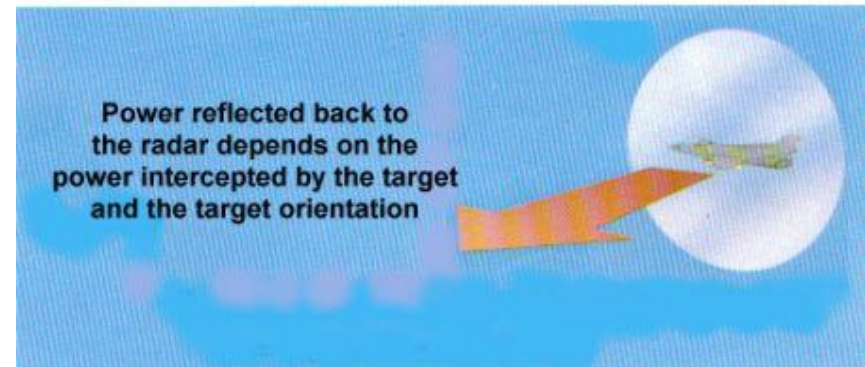
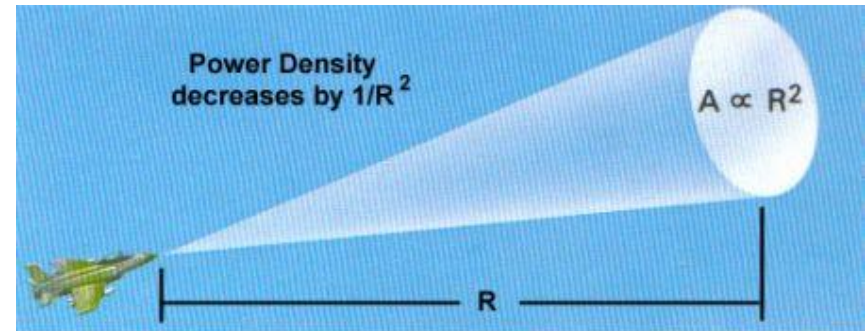


- ❑ Establish the Signal-to-Noise ratio, S/N
 - ❑ Calculate signal level reflected from target and received by radar at the detector
 - ❑ Calculate receiver noise level: this is the background noise level against which the received signal must be detected
 - ❑ The ratio of these is the Signal-to-Noise ratio, S/N
- ❑ If jamming power is greater than noise power, then jamming power replaces noise power, S/J

$$\frac{S}{N+J} \approx \frac{S}{J}, \text{ if } J \gg N$$

- ❑ If clutter power is dominant, then clutter power replaces noise power, S/C

$$\frac{S}{N+C} \approx \frac{S}{C}, \text{ if } C \gg N$$



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- ☐ Noise is the unwanted EM energy that interferes with the ability of the radar receiver to detect the wanted signal. It may originate within the receiver or may enter via the receiving antenna along with the desired signal

- ☐ Noise power measured relative to input
 - ☐ N = noise power of the receiver
 - ☐ k = Boltzmann's constant
 - ☐ B_N = Receiver Noise Bandwidth
 - ☐ F = Noise Figure or Factor (sometimes listed as NF)
 - ☐ T_O = Reference Temp $\sim 290^\circ$

- ☐ $N = k T_O B_N NF$ = equivalent noise power of the receiver



- ❑ $NF = N / (k T_O B_N)$
 - ❑ The noise figure is the ratio of the noise out of a practical receiver to the noise out of an ideal receiver at standard temperature, $T_0 = 290^\circ K = 17^\circ C$
- ❑ The receiver noise can also be expressed as a function of equivalent noise temperature or system temperature where
 - ❑ $N = k T_S B_N$ = equivalent noise power of the receiver
 - ❑ Noise power measured relative to input
 - ❑ N = noise power of the receiver
 - ❑ k = Boltzmann's constant
 - ❑ T_S = System Temperature
 - ❑ B_N = Receiver Noise Bandwidth
- ❑ It is important to know where in the receive chain the noise figure or temperature is defined. The output of the circulator is a typical reference point.



- The ratio of the received signal power versus the noise power represents the SNR (signal-to-noise ratio)

$$S/N = \frac{P_T G^2}{(4\pi)^3} \left[\frac{\sigma}{R^4} \right] \left[\frac{\lambda^2}{K T_o B_n F_n} \right]$$

- Add in the system losses and your radar equation is

$$\widehat{S/N} = \frac{P_T G^2}{(4\pi)^3} \left[\frac{\sigma}{R^4} \right] \left[\frac{\lambda^2 G_{SP}}{K T_o B_n F_n} \right] \left[\frac{1}{L} \right]$$

Radar Range Equation (Noise Limited) Case



$$S/N = \frac{P_T G_T}{(4\pi) R_T^2} \times \frac{\sigma}{(4\pi) R_T^2} \times A_R \times \frac{1}{k T_o B \overline{NF}_o} \times \frac{1}{L}$$

Where:

P_T = Transmit power
 G_T = Transmit gain
 σ = Target Radar Cross-Section area
 L = System Losses
 R_T = Target Range
 A_R = Receiver antenna area

$$A_R = \frac{G_R \lambda^2}{4\pi}$$

Where:

G_R = Receiver Gain
 λ = Wavelength

Receiver Noise:

k = Boltzmann's constant
 T_o = Reference noise temperature, o_k
 B = Receive bandwidth
 \overline{NF}_o = Operating noise figure
 I = Integration gain

Then:

$$S/N = \frac{P_T G_T G_R \lambda^2 I \sigma}{(4\pi)^3 R_T^4 L \times k T B \overline{NF}_o}$$

RRE – Problem 5



- ❑ Same inputs as problem 4 as well as a bandwidth of 10 MHz. The noise figure is 3.2 dB for the 9.4 MHz radar and 2.7 dB for the 2.8 GHz radar. Use eq 2.11 and calculate SNR (dB) for the four radars.

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--|--|----------|-----|----------|----------|------------|-----|----------|
| Question 5 | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | k | T | B | NF | Pr | SNR | SNR (dB) |
| $SNR = \frac{P_t G_t G_r \lambda^2 \sigma}{(4\pi)^3 k T_0 B F R^4}$ | | | 1.38E-23 | 290 | 1.00E+07 | 2.089296 | 1.2108E-13 | | |
| | | | 1.38E-23 | 290 | 1.00E+07 | 2.089296 | 1.2108E-13 | | |
| | | | 1.38E-23 | 290 | 1.00E+07 | 1.862087 | 1.3647E-12 | | |
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- ❑ Coherent integration of multiple pulses improves the SNR of the received return

$$SNR_c(n_p) = n_p \cdot SNR$$

- ❑ Non-coherent integration does not utilize phase so its gain is represented by

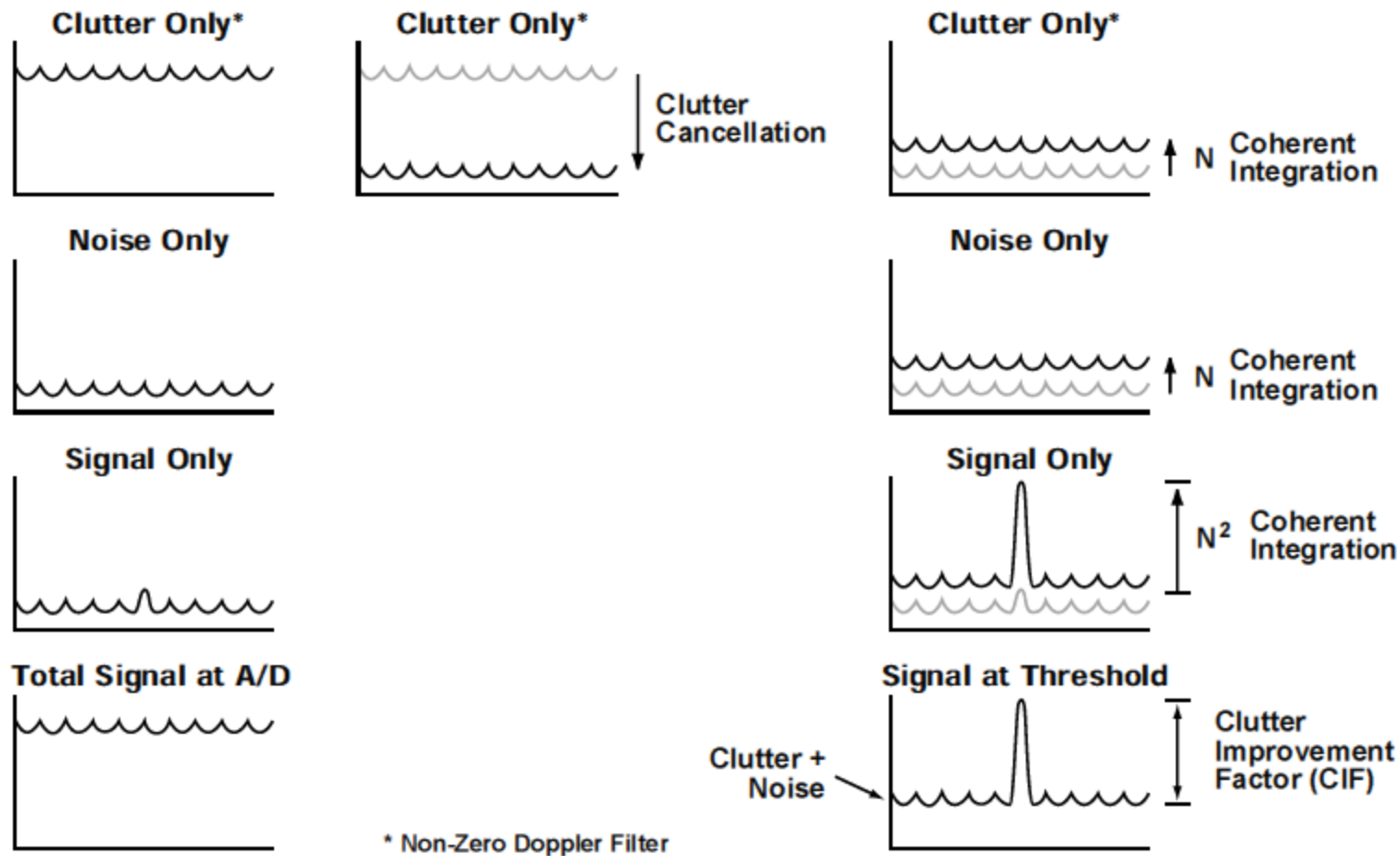
$$SNR_{nc}(n_p) = \sqrt{n_p} \cdot SNR$$

or

$$SNR_{nc}(n_p) = n_p^{0.7} \cdot SNR$$

Pulse Doppler Processing

Clutter Cancellation & CIF - Illustration



Clutter Cancellation Drives Hardware Requirements
CIF is Signal to Interference Improvement After Coherent Processing

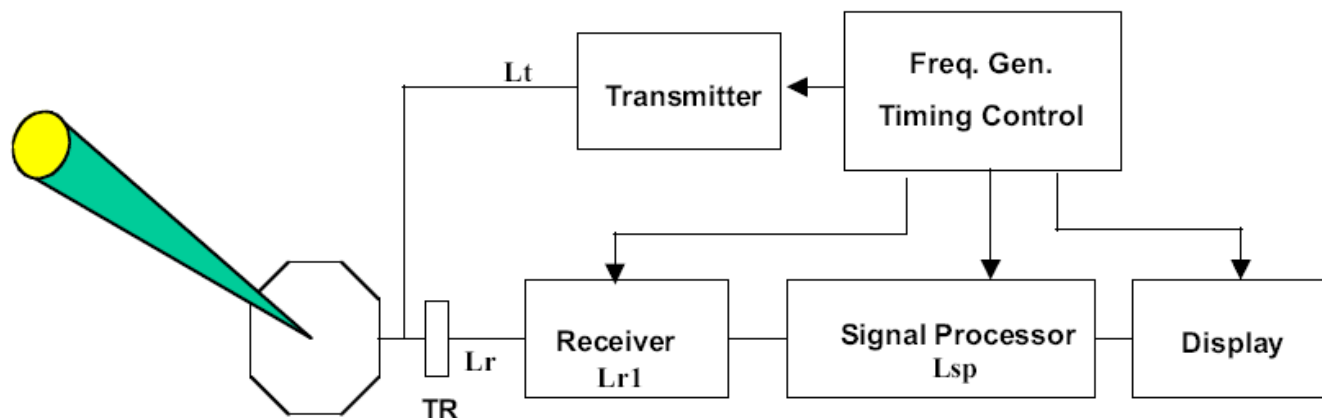


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- ❑ Transmit, L_t
 - ❑ Plumbing losses as the RF signal travels from the output of the transmitter to the antenna (includes waveguide losses)
- ❑ Receive, L_r
 - ❑ Plumbing losses as the RF signal is received and sent to the signal processor
- ❑ Signal Processing, L_{sp}



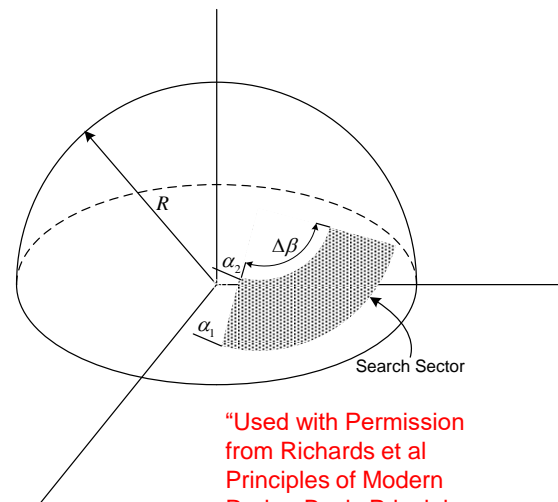


❑ Search lattices

- ❑ Number of beams required to search a designated sector:

$$\eta = K_{pack} \Omega_{search_area} / \Omega_{beam}$$

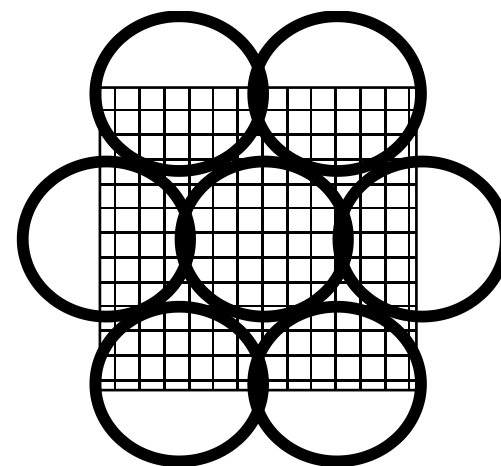
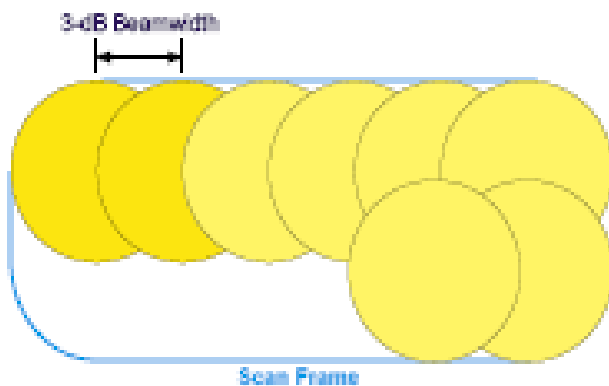
- ❑ K_{pack} = beam packing factor
- ❑ Ω = search area in steradians



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❑ Beamshape Loss

- ❑ Function of how tightly packed the antenna beams are spaced in a search lattice (grid on the bottom right is used to model beamshape loss).





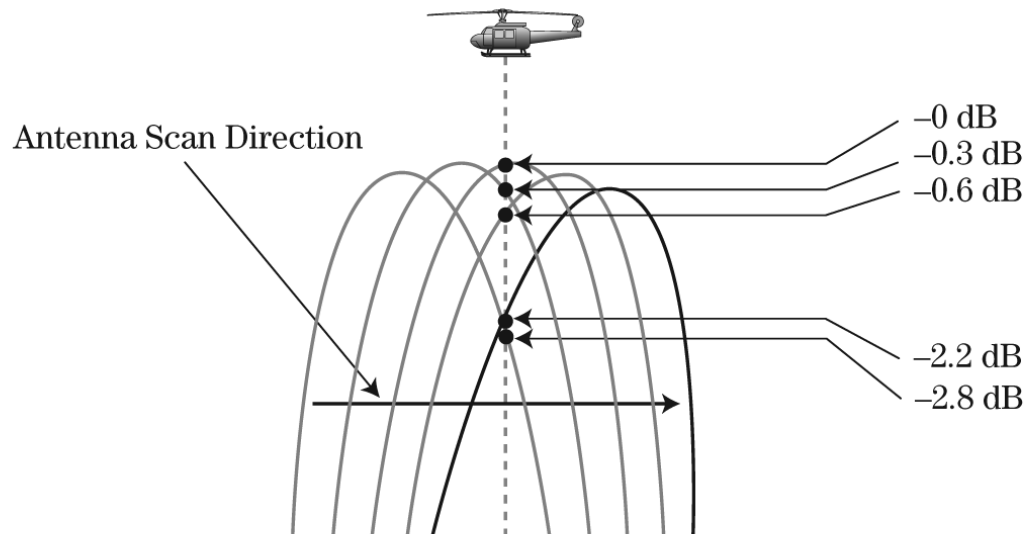
❑ Search Losses

- ❑ As a rotating radar scans, its antenna pattern relative to the target position varies as does its antenna gain relative to the target

FIGURE 2-4 ■

Target signal loss
due to beam scan.

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System Losses, Doppler Straddling



- ❑ Pulse Doppler waveforms operate by transforming the signal return from the time domain to the frequency domain via the FFT
- ❑ Each filter has a given width, receiving a band of Doppler frequencies, effectively separating different target velocities into different filter bins
- ❑ The filter gains vary as a function of frequency such that targets that “straddle” two filters will have an associated loss

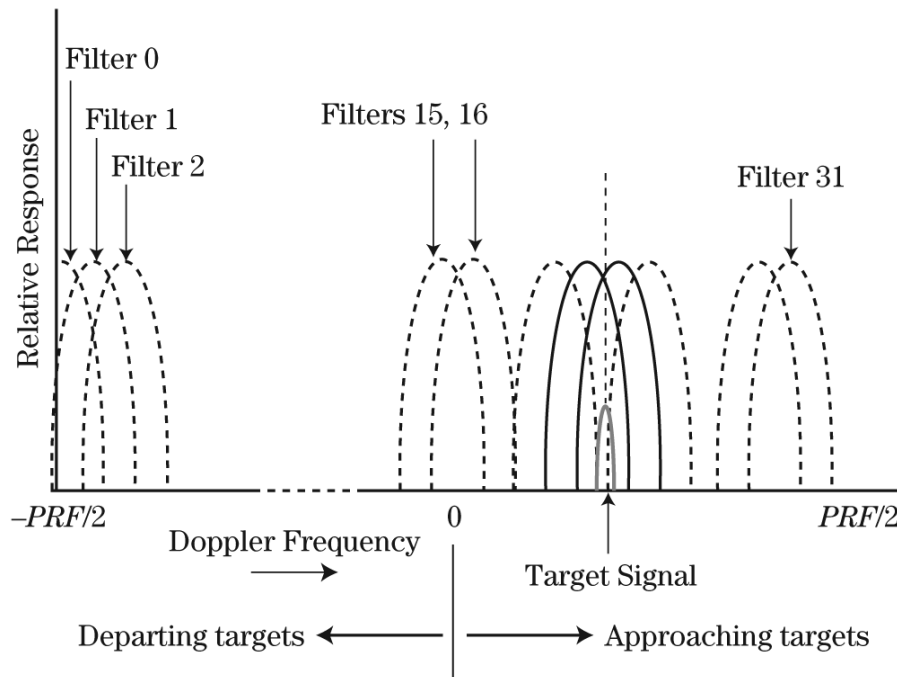


FIGURE 2-5 ■
Doppler filter bank,
showing a target
straddling two filters.

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Receive Losses

L_{R1} = Loss between antenna and low noise amplifiers
 ≈ 2 to 4 dB

L_{R2} = Receive beam shape loss
 ≈ 1 to 2 dB for search
 ≈ 0 to 0.5 dB for track

L_{R3} = Receive beam scan loss, function of off-array-normal steering angle
 ≈ 0 to 2 dB

L_{R4} = Signal processing losses

- Loss compared to ideal matched filter
- Doppler mismatch loss
- Range mismatch loss
- Various processing losses — limiting, quantization, etc.

≈ 2 to 5 dB

$$L_R = L_{R1} + L_{R2} + L_{R3} + L_{R4}$$

For
Phased
Arrays

Transmit Losses

L_{T1} = Loss between high power amplifier outputs and antenna
 ≈ 2 to 4 dB

L_{T2} = Transmit beam shape loss
 ≈ 1 to 2 dB for search
 ≈ 0 to 0.5 dB for track

L_{T3} = Transmit beam scan loss, function of off-array-normal steering angle
 ≈ 0 to 2 dB

External Factors

L_A = Atmospheric loss

L_p = Propagation loss (multi-path)

$$L_T = L_{T1} + L_{T2} + L_{T3}$$

$$\text{System Losses, } L = L_R + L_T$$



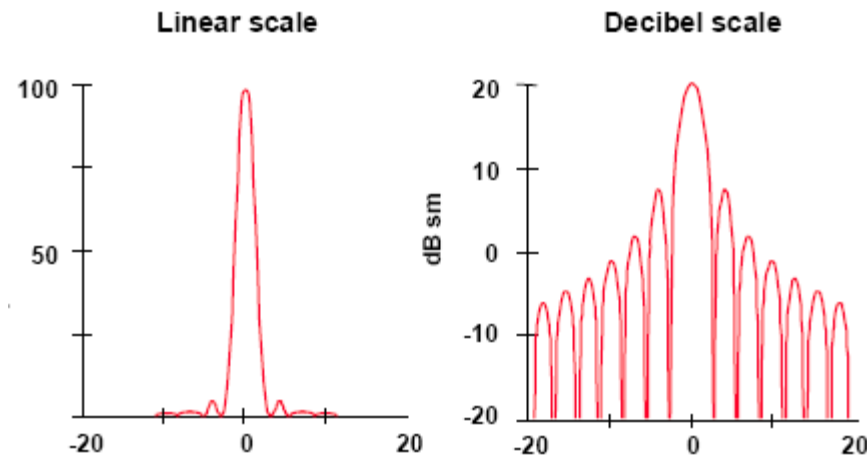
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The (deci)Bel

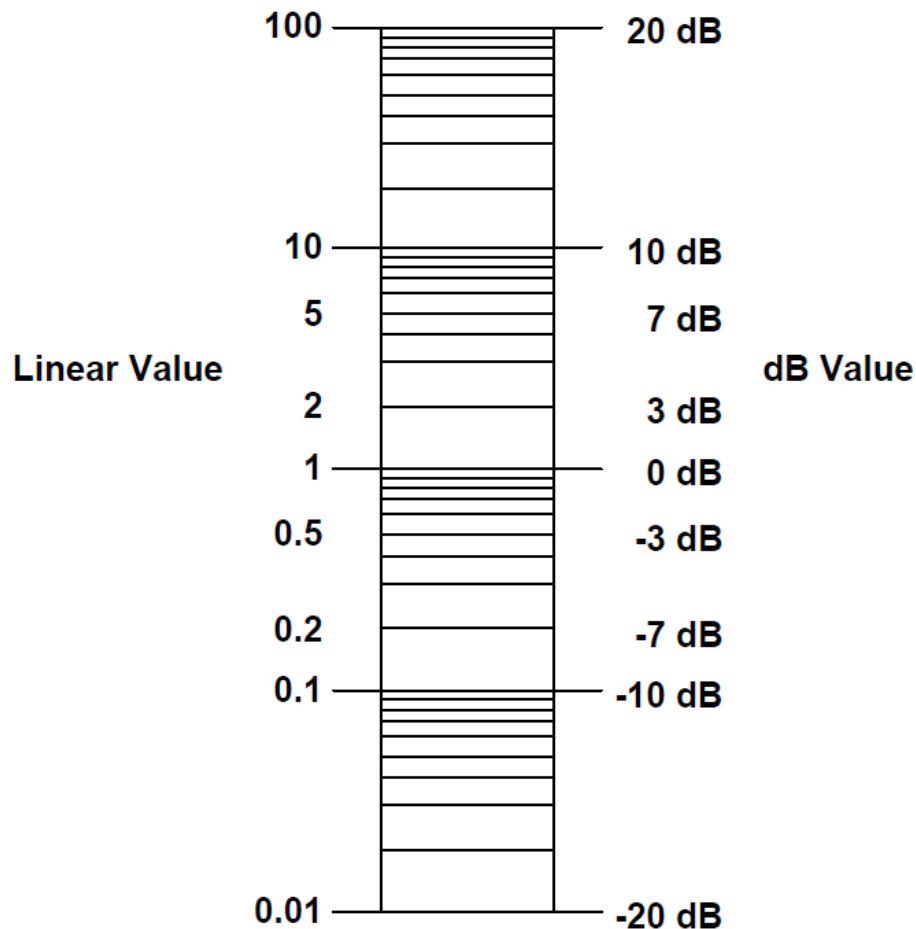


- ❑ Developed or defined at Bell Laboratories to define transmissions levels for early telephony
- ❑ A Bel is the $\log_{10} (P / P_{\text{ref}})$
 - ❑ The Bel did not have enough granularity
 - ❑ A decibel is $10 \log_{10} (P / P_{\text{ref}})$
- ❑ Allows us to represent high dynamic range signals with more clarity



- ❑ Often the reference level is a fixed value
 - ❑ E.g., a ratio referenced to 1 mW is described dBmW or X dBm

The Decibel Scale



- ❑ The Decibel Scale represents linear values that vary significantly in magnitude.
- ❑ For example, values from 0.01 to 100 are represented with -20 dB and +20 dB



$$D = 10 \log_{10} L \qquad L = 10^{\frac{D}{10}}$$

- ❑ D – value in decibels
- ❑ L – linear value

Common Decibel Equivalents



| Decibel | Linear |
|---------|----------------------|
| -1000 | 1×10^{-100} |
| -100 | 1×10^{-10} |
| -10 | 0.1 |
| 0 | 1 |
| 1 | ≈ 1.25 |
| 3 | ≈ 2 |
| 10 | 10 |
| 100 | 1×10^{10} |
| 1000 | 1×10^{100} |



☐ Linear Arithmetic

☐ Multiplication: $x * y$

☐ Division: x / y

☐ Power: y^a

☐ Decibel Arithmetic

☐ Multiplication: $x + y$

☐ Division: $x - y$

☐ Power: $a * y$



☐ What is 11 dB?

☐ In Decibels:

$$3 \text{ dB} + 3 \text{ dB} + 3 \text{ dB} + 1 \text{ dB} + 1 \text{ dB}$$

☐ In Linear:

$$2 * 2 * 2 * 1.25 * 1.25 \approx 12.5$$

☐ OR...

☐ In Decibels:

$$20 \text{ dB} - 3 \text{ dB} - 3 \text{ dB} - 3 \text{ dB}$$

☐ In Linear:

$$100 \div 2 \div 2 \div 2 \approx 12.5$$



20 log (x) or 10 log (x)

- ❑ In electrical systems power = voltage²/R
 - ❑ electrical ratio in dB = 10 log₁₀(voltage²/voltage_{ref}²)

- ❑ Similarly in sound systems power = pressure²
 - ❑ Sound gain in dB = 10 log₁₀(pressure²/pressure_{ref}²)

- ❑ So if we are measuring voltage the exponent rule is used
 - ❑ Log x^m = m log (x)

- ❑ Thus when measuring voltage and obtaining a power ratio we use the formulation 20 log (v/ v_{ref})



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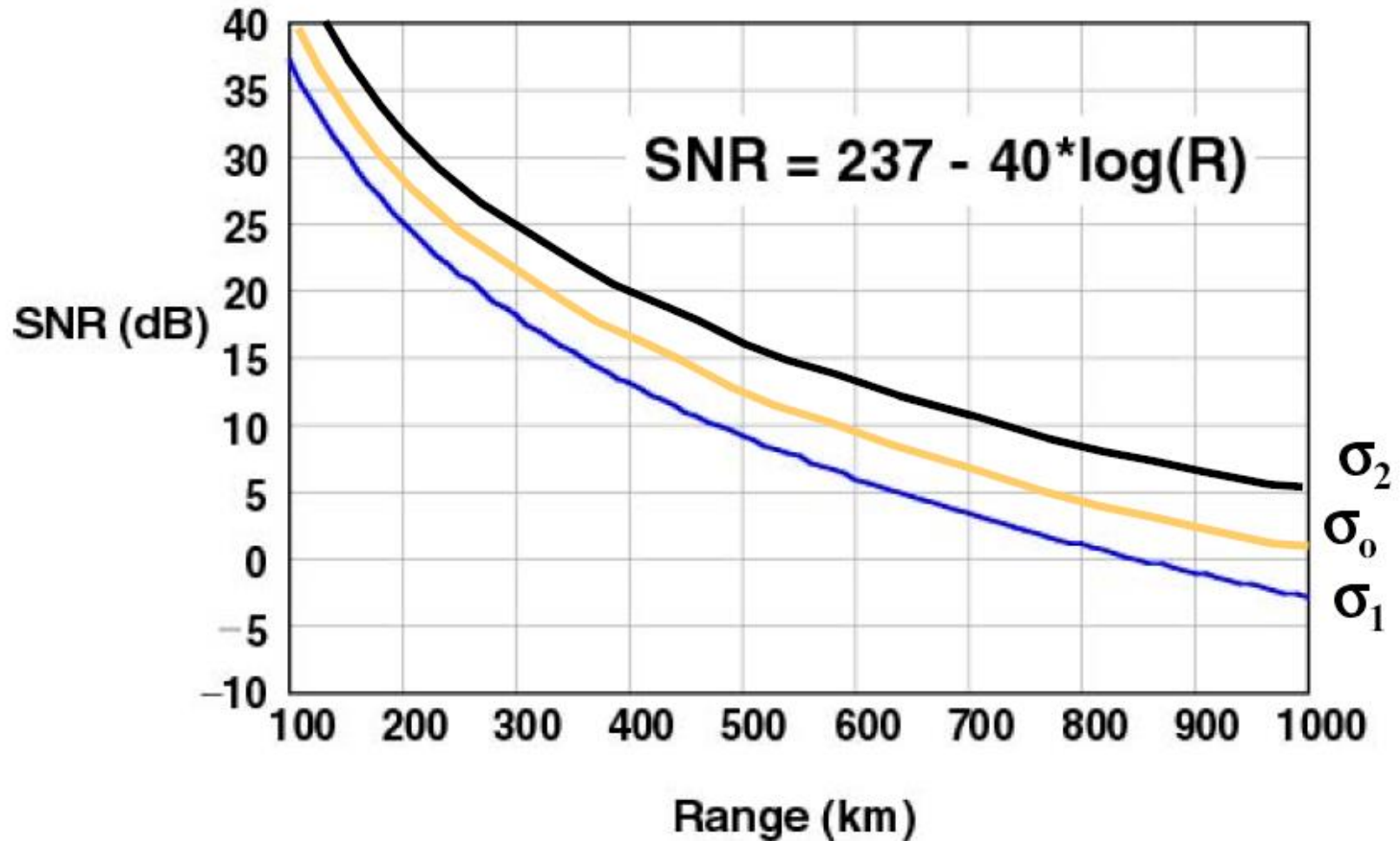
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Sample Radar Range Calculation



| Variable | Num (linear) | Num (dB) | Den (linear) | Den (dB) |
|-------------------------|------------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Pt (Watt) | 1,000,000 | 60.0 | | |
| Gt (XMT Gain) | 10,000 | 40 | | |
| Gr (Rcv Gain) | 10,000 | 40 | | |
| Sigma (sqm) | 1.00 | 0 | | |
| Frequency (GHz) | 3.00 | | | |
| (Lamda)**2 | | -20 | | |
| Integration gain | 100 | 20 | | |
| _ radar cross section | 0 m ² | 0 | | |
| [4*π]**3 | | | | 33.0 |
| R**4 | | | | 40*log(R) |
| k (Boltzman's Constant) | | | 1.38E-23 | -228.6 |
| T | | | 290 | 24.6 |
| Bandwidth | | | 1.00E+06 | 60.0 |
| NF (Noise Figure) | | | | 4.0 |
| Losses, Total | | | 10 | 10 |
| Sub Total | | 140.0 | | -97.0 |
| Total SNR (dB) = | | 237.0 | - 40*log(R) | |

Sample Radar Calculation Plot



Another Radar Range Calculation



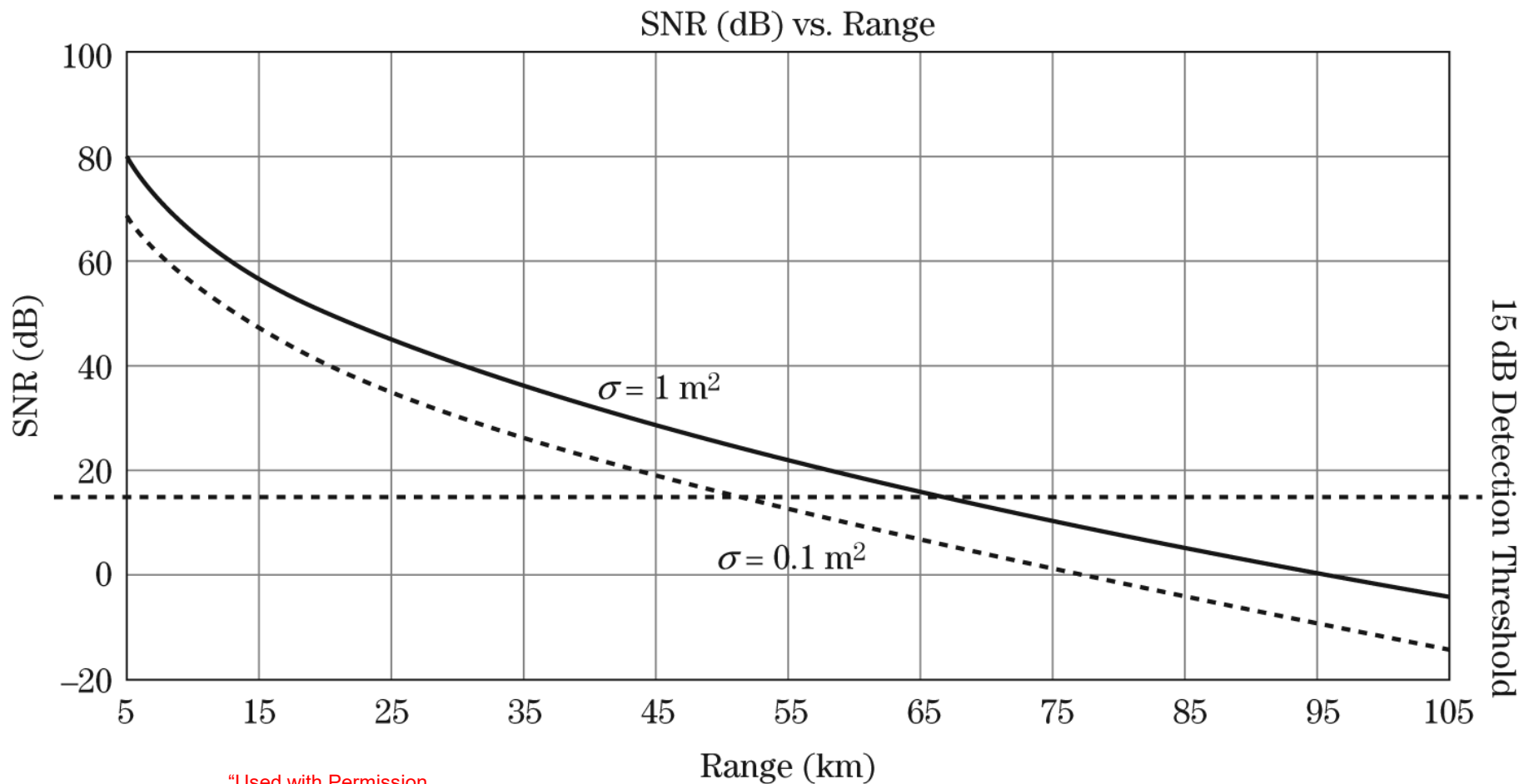
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Transmitter | 150 kW peak power |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Frequency | 9.4 GHz |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pulsewidth | 1.2 us |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PRF | 2 kilohertz |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Antenna | 2.4 meter diameter (0.6 efficiency) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Processing dwell time | 18.3 ms |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Receiver noise figure | 2.5 dB |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transmit losses | 3.1 dB |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Receive losses | 2.4 dB |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Signal processing losses | 3.2 dB |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Atmospheric losses | 0.16 dB/km one-way |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Target RCS | 0 dBsm, -10 dBsm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Target range | 5 to 105 km |

Excel Spreadsheet Range Calculation



| | <u>VALUE</u> | <u>GAIN</u> | <u>LOSS</u> | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|---------|-----------|------|
| Power (W) | 150000.00 | 51.76 | | | | |
| Transmit Gain | 45.25 | 45.25 | | Eq. 2.7 | | |
| Receive Gain | 45.25 | 45.25 | | | | |
| Duty Factor (pw * PRF) | 0.24% | | 26.20 | | | |
| Processing Time, ms | 18.30 | | 17.38 | | | |
| PRF | 2000.00 | | | | | |
| RCS m2 | 1.00 | 0.00 | | | | |
| Freq (MHz) for λ^2 | 9400.00 | | 29.92 | | LOSSES: | |
| $(4 \pi)^3$ | | | 32.98 | | - Xmit | 3.10 |
| k - Boltzman | | 228.60 | | | - Rec | 2.40 |
| T ₀ (deg K) | 290.00 | | 24.62 | | - SigProc | 3.20 |
| Noise figure | | | 2.50 | | - Atmos | 1.60 |
| Σ LOSSES | | | 10.30 | | | |
| Range (km) | 5.00 | | 147.96 | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| TOTALS | | 370.86 | 291.85 | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| SNR at 5 km = | | 79.01 | | | | |

Sample Radar Calculation Plot



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Average Power Radar Equation



$$P_{avg} = P_t f_r \tau \quad \text{or} \quad P_t = \frac{P_{avg}}{f_r \tau}$$

$$n = f_r T_d$$

$$\tau = \frac{1}{B} \quad \text{for a "matched - filter" receiver}$$

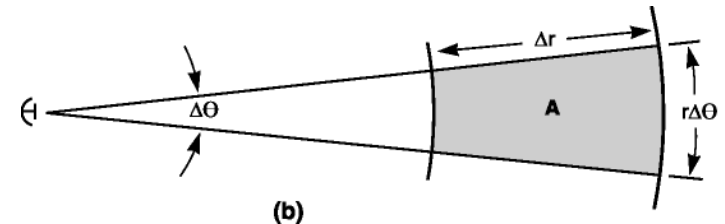
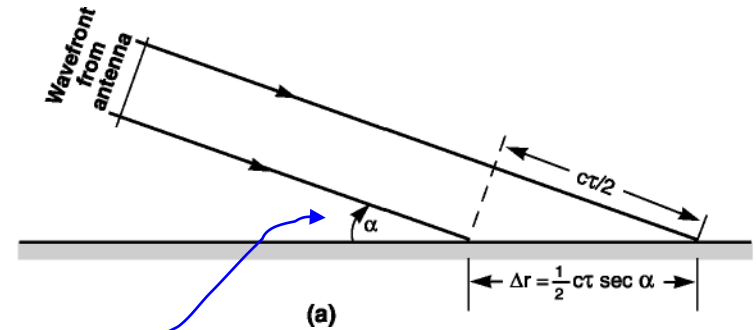
$$\frac{P_t n}{B} = \left(\frac{P_{avg}}{f_r \tau} \right) (f_r T_d) (\tau) = P_{avg} T_d$$

$$\left(\frac{S}{N} \right)_i = \frac{P_t G^2 \lambda^2 \sigma n}{(4\pi)^3 k T_0 B F L_s R^4} = \frac{P_{avg} G^2 \lambda^2 \sigma T_d}{(4\pi)^3 k T_0 F L_s R^4}$$

Clutter as the Target



- ❑ Clutter is unwanted interference scattering back to the antenna
- ❑ Reflectivity is a factor that quantifies how much energy is reflected back and how much continues forward
- ❑ The grazing angle or the angle at which the radar energy bounces off the clutter is a key factor in the reflectivity (like skipping stones, shallow angles skip forward and do not scatter back)
- ❑ Clutter area is a function of beamwidth, pulse width, reflectivity, and the gain of the antenna towards the clutter patch



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$$\sigma_0 = \text{AREA} \times \text{REFLECTIVITY} \times \text{DIRECTIVITY}$$



FIGURE 2-8 ■
Volumetric
(atmospheric) clutter.

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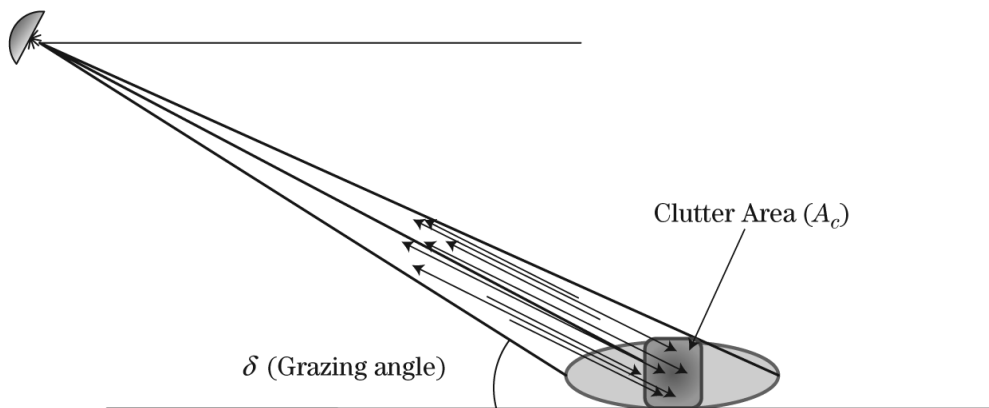
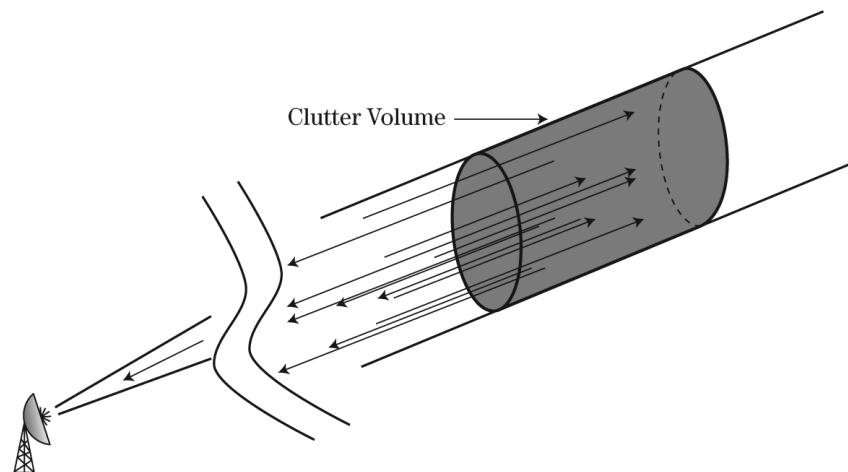


FIGURE 2-7 ■ Area
(surface) clutter.

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Typical Mean Reflectivity (m^2/m^2)



| | S-Band 3.3 GHz | C-Band 5.6 GHz | X-Band 10.0 GHz |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Sea Clutter, Sea State 3 Graz Angle = 0.1° | -90 | -78 | -67 |
| Rain Clutter (4 mm/hr) (m^2/m^3) | -83 | -72 | -62 |
| Lowlands | -30 | -30 | -30 |
| Highlands | -20 | -20 | -20 |
| Urban | -10 | -10 | -10 |

Excel Spreadsheet CNR Calculation



| | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|---------|-----------|------|
| Beamwidth (Eq 1.9) (deg) | 1.00 | | | | | |
| Beamwidth, radians | 0.01745 | | | | | |
| Width of clutter cell, m | 87.27 | | | | | |
| Range of clutter cell, m | 180.00 | | | | | |
| Area of clutter cell, m2 | 15707.96 | | | | | |
| Mean reflectivity (dBm2/m2) | -67.00 | | | | | |
| Effective clutter area, m2 | 0.00313 | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | <u>VALUE</u> | <u>GAIN</u> | <u>LOSS</u> | | | |
| | | | | | | |
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| Transmit Gain | 45.25 | 45.25 | | Eq. 2.7 | | |
| Receive Gain | 45.25 | 45.25 | | | | |
| Duty Factor (pw * PRF) | 0.24% | | 26.20 | | | |
| Processing Time, ms (1-pulse) | 0.50 | | 33.01 | | | |
| PRF | 2000.00 | | | | | |
| Clutter RCS m2 | 0.00 | -25.04 | | | | |
| Freq (MHz) for λ^2 | 9400.00 | | 29.92 | | LOSSES: | |
| $(4 \pi)^3$ | | | 32.98 | | - Xmit | 3.10 |
| k - Boltzman | | 228.60 | | | - Rec | 2.40 |
| T ₀ (deg K) | 290.00 | | 24.62 | | - SigProc | 3.20 |
| Noise figure | | | 2.50 | | - Atmos | 1.60 |
| Σ LOSSES | | | 10.30 | | | |
| Range (km) | 5.00 | | 147.96 | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| TOTALS | | 345.82 | 307.49 | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| CNR at 5 km = | | 38.33 | | | | |



- ❑ In determining clutter to noise, use the same methodology for SNR calculations and substitute the target RCS with the apparent clutter RCS (clutter area x reflectivity x directivity).
- ❑ If C/N levels can be kept below -6 dB (0.25) or so, then the ability to detect targets should not be impacted significantly by clutter.
- ❑ In designing radar systems, anticipated clutter levels may necessitate the use of clutter processing that can attenuate the clutter to acceptable levels.

$$\frac{S}{C+N} = \frac{\frac{S}{N}}{\frac{C}{N}+1} = \frac{\frac{S}{N}}{\frac{C}{N}+\frac{N}{N}} = \frac{\frac{S}{N}}{\frac{C+N}{N}} = \frac{S}{C+N}$$

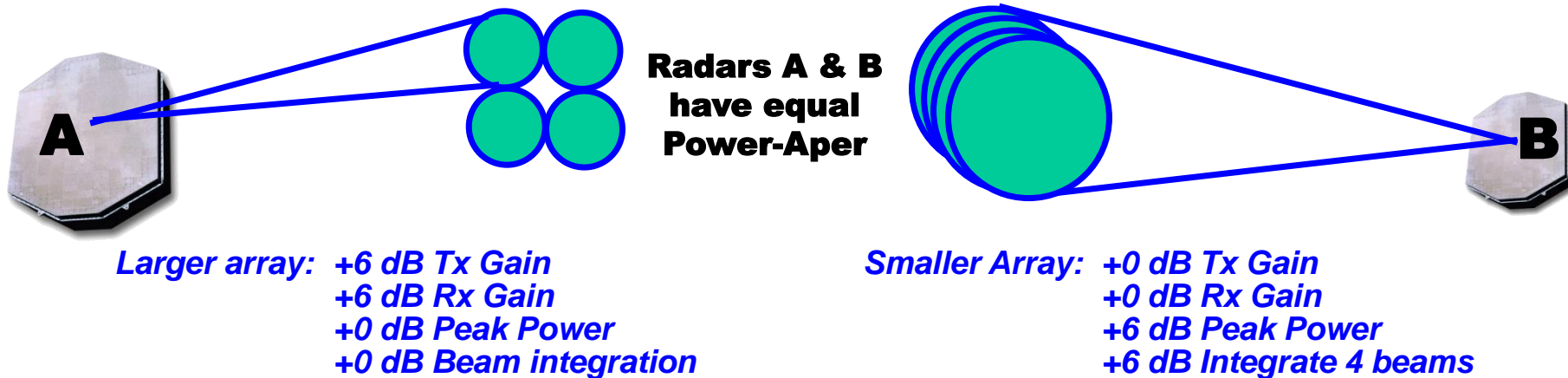
Power Aperture Comparisons - Volume Search



- ❑ The power aperture product is the fundamental gauge of search performance
 - ❑ Systems with equivalent power aperture will transmit the same amount of energy into the same search volumes
 - ❑ Detection ranges may differ because that energy may be combined coherently or non-coherently

Lower module power, larger array searches volume with higher antenna gain (coherent) and smaller beamwidths

Higher module power, smaller array searches each position with multiple beams (non-coherent) to compensate for less antenna gain

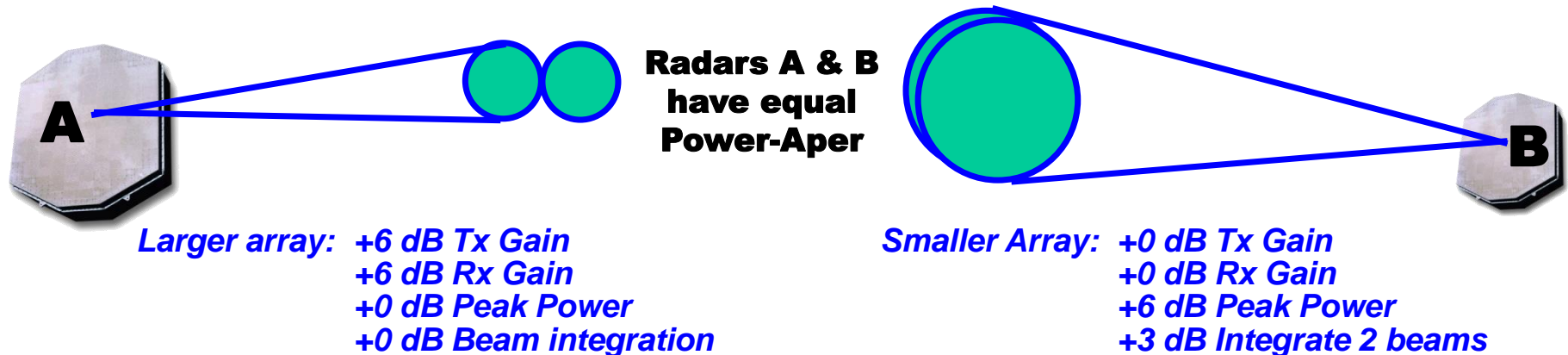


Larger arrays with higher antenna gain provide marginally better detection performance than smaller arrays with equal power-aperture

Power Aperture Comparisons - Horizon Search



- ❑ Systems sized for equivalent volume search performance do not translate to equivalent horizon search performance
- ❑ Horizon search is a single row, not multiple rows (Array A must transmit two beams to cover the same azimuth extent as one B beam)

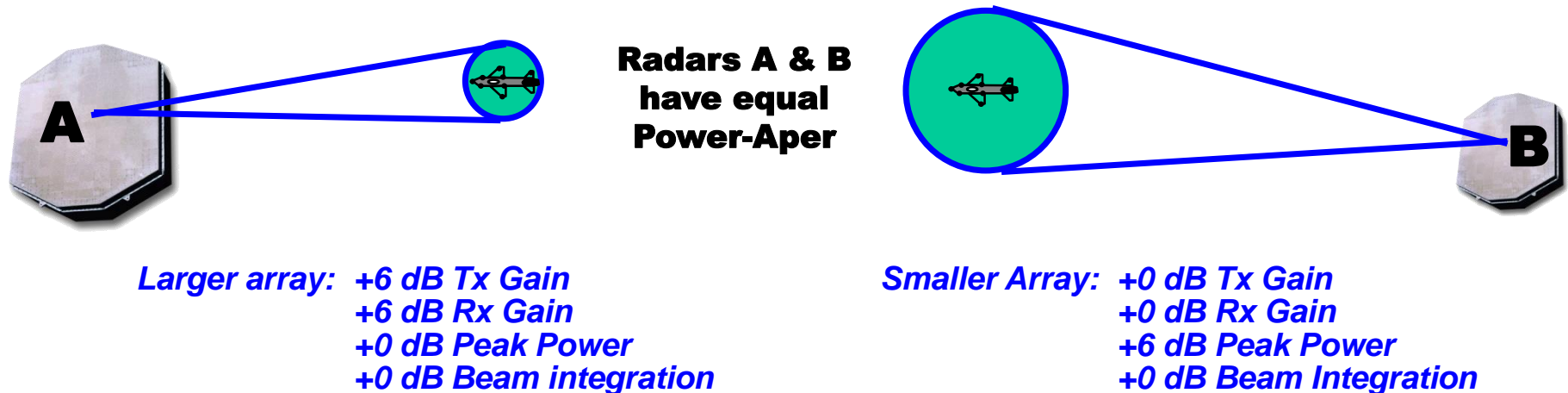


- ❑ Smaller array can compensate with higher antenna placements and better propagation performance

Larger arrays with higher antenna gain provide better detection performance that can only be offset with higher antenna mounts



- ❑ Systems sized for equivalent volume search performance do not translate to equivalent track performance
- ❑ Track requires a single beam, not multiple beams



- ❑ Smaller array may be able to compensate with higher antenna placements and better propagation performance against sea skimmers

Larger arrays with higher antenna gain provide much better track performance



☐ A search radar being designed by LM engineers has to search the following solid angle volume in the stated amount of time.

☐ Azimuth angle: 90 degrees

☐ Elevation angle: 3 degrees

☐ Full scan time: 1.2 seconds

☐ Maximum Range: 30 km

☐ Target RCS: -10 dBsm

$$\frac{P_{avg} A_e}{L_s T_0 F} \geq SNR_{min} 4\pi k \left(\frac{R^4}{\sigma} \right) \left(\frac{\Omega}{T_{fs}} \right)$$

☐ What is the required power aperture product of the system if the system has the following characteristics?

☐ Noise figure: 2.5 dB

☐ System losses: 6.7 dB

☐ Required SNR: 16 dB

| SNR | F | Losses | Range | Sigma | Pavg Ae |
|----------|----------|----------|-------|-------|----------|
| 39.81072 | 1.778279 | 4.677351 | 30000 | 270 | 30349.71 |



Class Overview

- ☐ Radar Equation
- ☐ Receiver Thermal Noise
- ☐ Multiple Pulses
- ☐ Summary of Losses
- ☐ Decibel Tutorial
- ☐ Different Forms of the Radar Equation
- ☐ Radar Equation - One-way



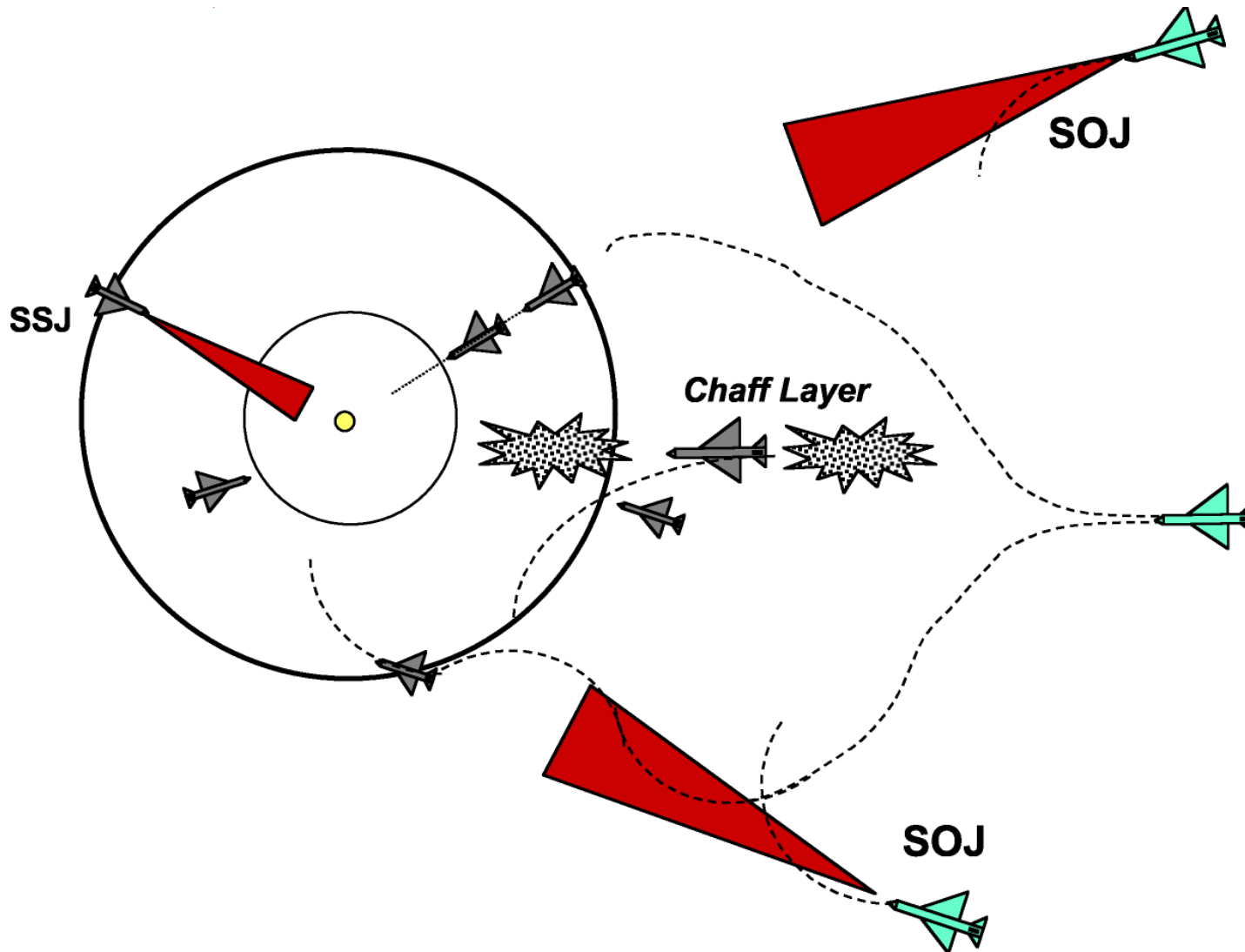
- ☐ **ECM (Electronic Countermeasure)**

- ☐ Interfering signals (one-way) intended to suppress or create false detections

- ☐ **ECCM (Electronic Counter Countermeasure)**

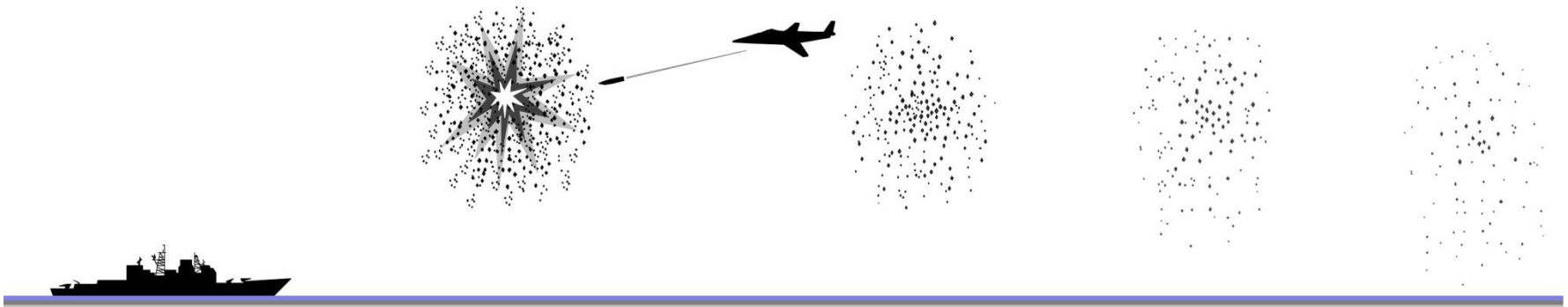
- ☐ Defeating the ECM measures

Jamming Environment





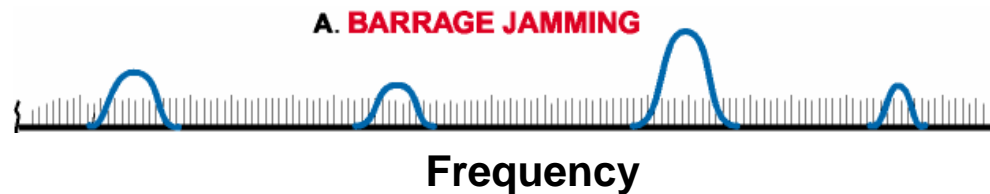
- ❑ Simple and highly reflective (strips of metal, generally aluminum)
- ❑ Upon being dispensed, rapidly decelerates and can be processed like clutter
- ❑ Without clutter processing, it can be very effective at masking raids.



Jamming

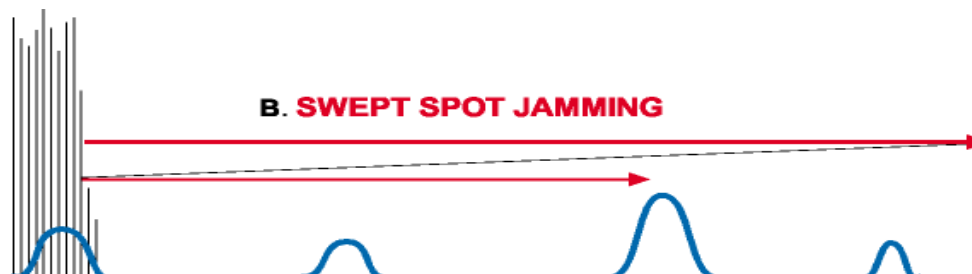


- ❑ Jamming noise is similar to thermal noise; it can raise the level of background noise, thereby raising the detection threshold and making detection of small targets difficult
- ❑ **Barrage Jamming**
 - ❑ Jamming over entire operating frequency, ensuring that the radar will be jammed but spreading dilutes power



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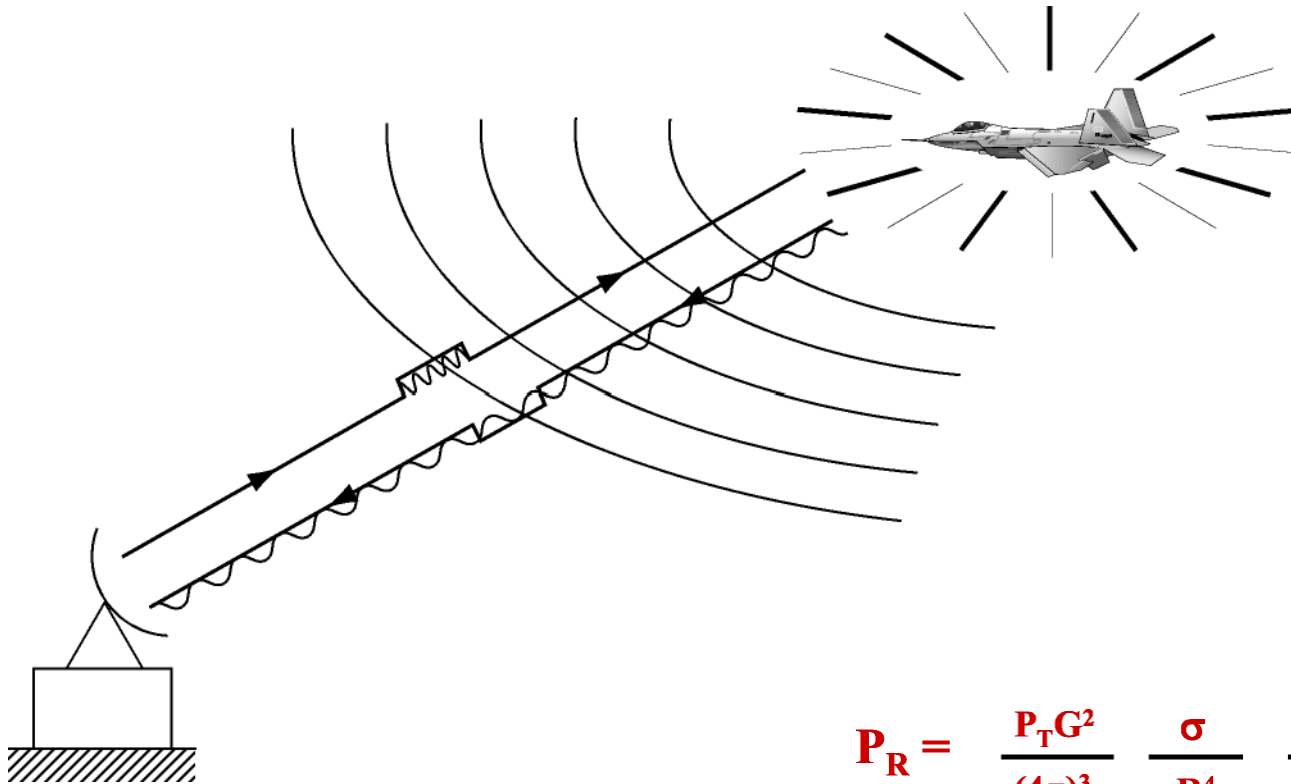
- ❑ **Spot Jamming**
 - ❑ Jam specific frequencies with maximum power thereby masking targets



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Self Screening Jammer

Target
Carries
Jammer



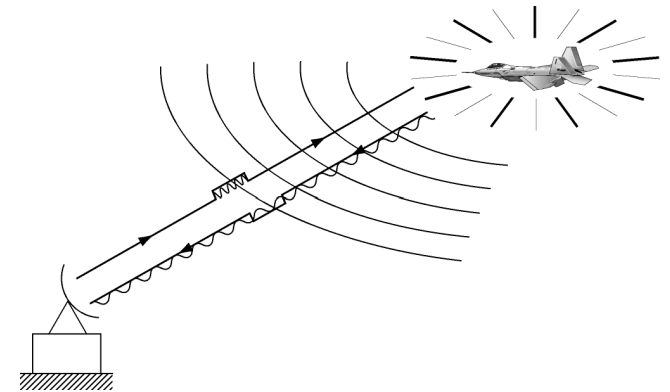
$$P_R = \frac{P_T G^2}{(4\pi)^3} \frac{\sigma}{R^4} \frac{\lambda^2}{L}$$

$$P_{RJ} = \left[\frac{P_J G_J}{4\pi R_J^2} \right] \left[\frac{\lambda^2 G_R}{4\pi} \right] \left[\frac{B_R}{B_J} \right] \left[\frac{1}{L^1} \right]$$

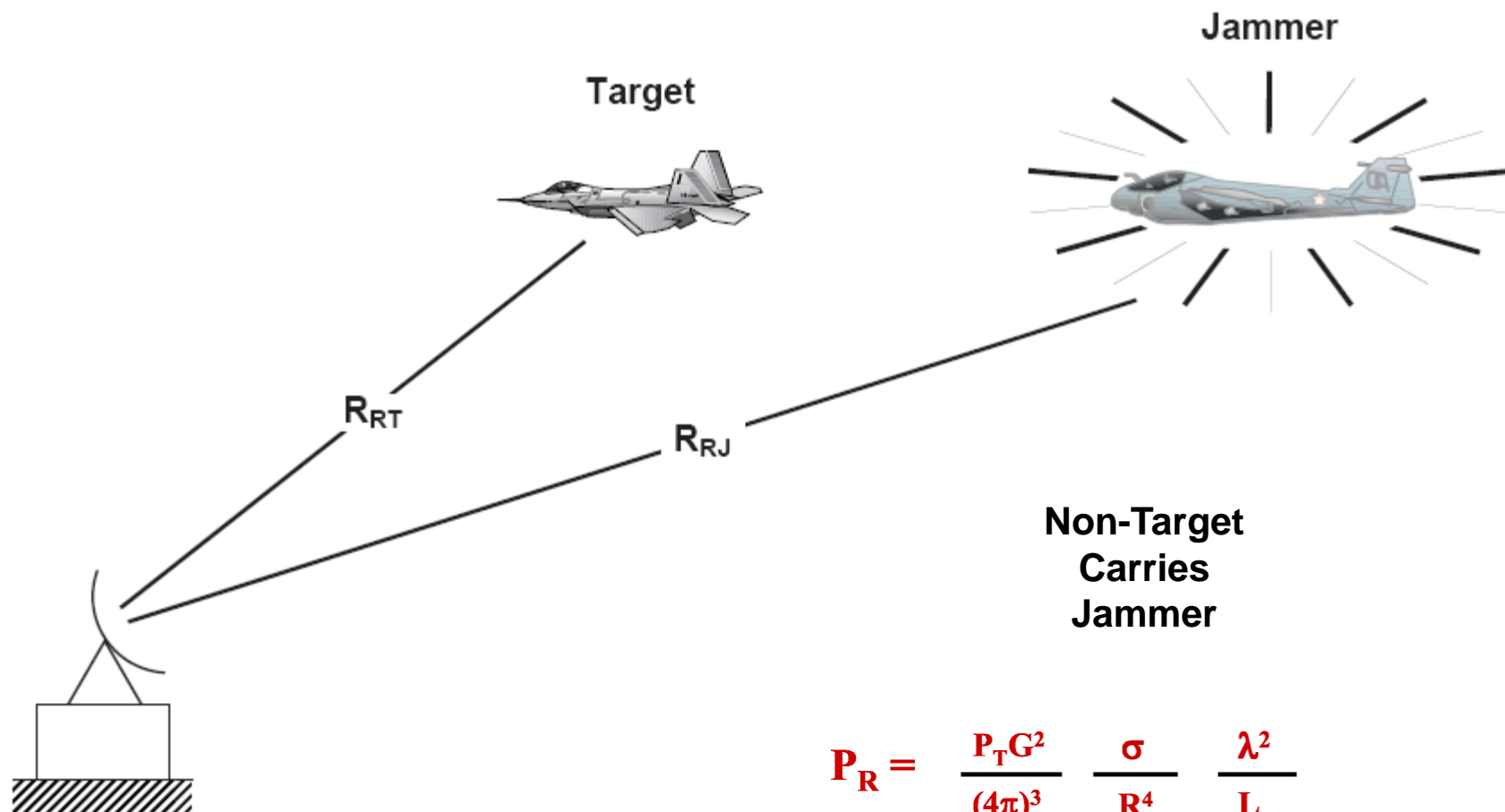
Challenges with Self Screening Jammer



- ❑ Power/gain battle between jammer and radar
- ❑ S/J ration is dependent upon R^2
- ❑ Sensitivity of the receiver not a factor
- ❑ Since the jamming signal and the radar return are from same place, antenna gain on receive not a factor
- ❑ Gain of jammer dependent upon antenna and therefore impacts aerodynamic configuration
- ❑ By jamming, SSJ always betrays his direction (bearing and elevation)



Stand-off Jammer



R_{RT} = Range from radar to target

R_{RJ} = Range from radar to jammer

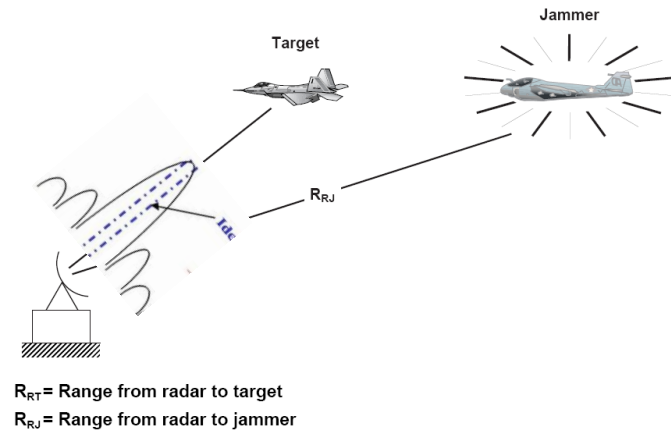
$$P_R = \frac{P_T G^2}{(4\pi)^3} \frac{\sigma}{R^4} \frac{\lambda^2}{L}$$

$$P_{RJ} = \left[\frac{P_J G_J}{4\pi R_J^2} \right] \left[\frac{\lambda^2 G_R}{4\pi} \right] \left[\frac{B_R}{B_J} \right] \left[\frac{1}{L^1} \right]$$

Challenges with Stand-off Jammer



- ❑ The greater the range of the SOJ, the less the effect
- ❑ The effect of the SOJ is critically dependent upon the gain of the radar in the direction of the jammer relative to the direction of the target (sidelobe performance – see picture)
- ❑ SOJs usually carry significantly greater jamming power and can afford antennas with significant gain
- ❑ The direction (bearing and elevation) of the SOJ does not betray the direction of the silent target





❑ Repeater

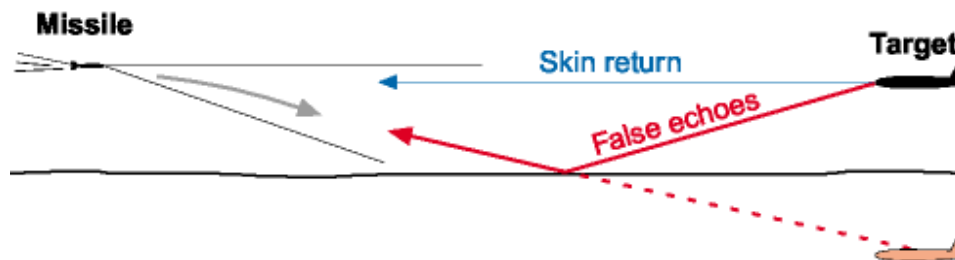
- ❑ Repeaters have memory that records the RF signal
- ❑ Recorded signals are transmitted back, at different delays to create false targets

❑ Gate Stealing

- ❑ Transmit false target within the gate that a radar tracker places around the target. By making the false target signal larger than the real target signal, successive delays can “walk” or have the radar follow the false target and lose track on the real target.

❑ Terrain Bounce Jamming

- ❑ Bounce jamming power off the surface and trick the missile seeker into locking on the false return.



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