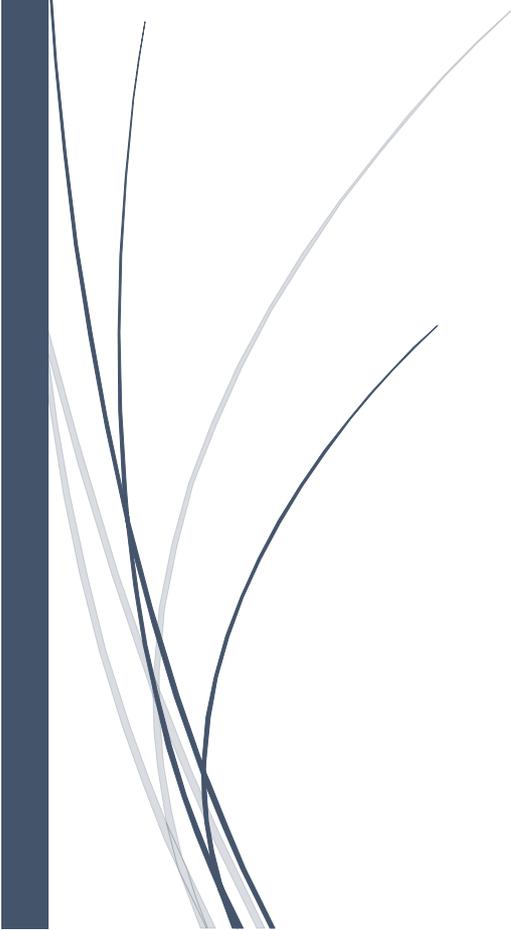


12th July 2022

Antenna Suspects



Alastair John Underwood, GW0AJU

Updated article version

Index

Page

1	Index
2	Introduction
3	RF signal power
4	Stub Antenna's
6	Half wave dipoles
9	Antenna inductances
10	Dipole antenna load coils for 80m / 40m band operation.
11	300ohm coax Dipole
14	Lumped Component coiled vertical antenna
15	Antenna Path Ratios

Introduction

url: <http://www.radiohamtech.com/page27.html>

url: <http://www.radiohamtech.com/page20.html>

First thought, we start by asking the question, “what is the inductance of one metre of wire”, fair question, but how does one find out so.

The trick here is to use the equation for the “characteristic impedance of a transmission line”, namely:-

$$\text{Cable impedance} = \text{SQR}(\text{ inductance} / \text{ capacitance})$$

We know that the impedance is 50ohms, and the capacitance per metre is 100pF / m, ‘RG58C/U’, the inductance per metre calculates out as :

$$50^2 * 100\text{pF} = 250\text{nH} / \text{metre}$$

The next question, as the wire is one metre in length, and the full wavelength of 300MHz is one metre, what is then the inductive reactance to the one metre wire to a 300MHz carrier.

$$\text{Inductive reactance} = 2 * \text{PI} * \text{F} * \text{ inductance}$$

$$\text{XL} = 2 * \text{PI} * 300\text{MHz} * 250\text{nH}$$

$$\text{XL} = 471 \text{ ohms}$$

If the full wave antenna induces into it a 5 Volt EMF signal, then what is the RF signal power.

The contents worded here, is my own handy work. To date I have not found any other periodical that has shown anything similar towards these contents, contained within this article type booklet.

The calculation methodology shown here, of antenna designs, is through my own understandings.

RF signal power

Our next question is how to do calculate the RF signal power induced into an antenna.

This can be achieved by measuring the voltage across the antenna load.

$$\text{power} = \text{voltage}^2 / \text{resistance}$$

But first, how do you prove the power equation is correct.

An alternative power equation is :- power = volts * current

First consider “ohms Law”, which equates to as :- Volts = current * resistance

However, measuring current in an RF signal is not so easy. By using “ohms Law”, the current component can be replaced as follows:

$$\text{Current} = \text{volts} / \text{resistance}$$

Now place this into the equation :- power = volts * current,

The following results : power = volts * (volts / resistance)

When the above equation is merged, the following given equation is

$$\text{power} = (\text{volts} * \text{volts}) / \text{resistance}$$

Looking back at our full wave antenna, the RF signal of the induced 5 Volts can thus be calculated.

$$\text{power} = (5 * 5) / 50$$

$$\text{power} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ Watts, or } 0.5 \text{ Watts}$$

Using this above equation, the RF signal power can be calculated by just measuring the RF voltage and with a known terminal impedance of the RF loading, namely the Radio itself.

In order to determine the effectiveness of an antenna design, this article compares several antenna methods to a full wavelength antenna transmission or reception.

Stub Antenna's

Now this is fine so far, but then a 50ohm stub antenna would have a 50ohm inductive reactance, if so, then what is the length of a 50ohm stub at 300MHz.

Remember, referencing to the full wave wire antenna impedance of 471 ohms, also there are 100cm in one metre length.

Thus, to find out :- $(50 / 471) * 100\text{cm} = 10.6\text{cm}$

Now the 10.6cm long in length 50ohm stub antenna, what is the signal pick up, when compared to a full wavelength one metre 300MHz long wire, however it need not be a 300MHZ example shown here.

It could instead be 30MHz or the 10m band, thus then the 50ohm stub for the 10m band is 106cm. For the 2m band, then the length is 21.9cm (145MHz) for the 50ohm stub, while for the 70cm band, the 50ohm stub antenna is 7.3cm (435MHz) in length.

It may be perhaps that a smaller wire would pick up (or induce) a lesser signal, where as a longer wire may receive (or induce) a bigger signal, from the etha signal, the etha signal the induction voltage from electromagnetic field strength of the radio signal within the air, i.e. the etha.

Assuming that full wave 471ohm impedance is matched to a 50ohm load, then the induced RF voltage into the full wave antenna is 5 volts would be presented to the radio terminal input of 50ohms.

However, how much of the RF signal is induced into or from an 50ohm stub antenna, that is now only 10.6% of the length of the original full wave antenna wire or element.

By the same principle, the 50ohm stub received signal is :

$$(50/471) * 5 = 530\text{mV}$$

The 50ohm stub antenna as one can see here in this example, only picks up or send out 443mV of the signal, too and from the "etha" (the surrounding air). Remember, what happens to a Rx antenna, happens to an Tx antenna.

The 50ohm stub signal power equates to:

$$\text{power} = (530\text{mV} * 530\text{mV}) / 50$$

$$\text{power} = 5.6\text{mW}$$

The equate the 50ohm stub antenna design into suspect numbers, using “LOG to the base of ten”,

$$\text{dB} = 10 * \text{Log}(5.6\text{mW} / 0.5 \text{ Watt})$$

$$\text{dB} = -19.5$$

Now perhaps an idea to improve the 50ohm stub antenna design, would be to double up on the stub antenna design, say two 50ohm stubs, one on top of the other in a line.

The 50ohm stub antenna would thus become a 100ohm stub antenna, a double side stub antenna, what would this give us Radio Hams if a 100ohm stub design were used for an antenna with our radios.

By the same principle, the 100ohm stub received signal is :

$$(100/471) * 5 = 1\text{V}$$

The 100ohm stub signal power equates to:

$$\text{power} = (1\text{V} * 1\text{V}) / 50$$

$$\text{power} = 20\text{mW}$$

The equate the 100ohm stub antenna design signal performance:

$$\text{dB} = 10 * \text{Log}(20\text{mW} / 0.5 \text{ Watt})$$

$$\text{dB} = -13.9 \text{ dB, or a } 13.9 \text{ dB loss}$$

Half wave dipole

A half wave dipole is made from two quarter wave sections. A full wave wire is 471ohms, so a quarter wave section would be :

$$\text{quarter wave section "XL"} = 471 / 4 = 117.75 \text{ ohms}$$

As each radiating element on each side of a coax, as a dipole would be, is effectively in parallel. The principle that both of the 117.75ohm $\frac{1}{4}$ wave sections, are supplying a current source to the cable 50ohm terminal impedance.

If both quarter wave sections were attached to a coax, then each side would be 117.75ohms. The coax would then see:

$$\text{coax load} = 117.75 / 2 = 58 \text{ ohms,}$$

Which would then equate to the 58ohms (or 75ohms) the books say.

For a 50ohm coax load, each side of the dipole would need to 100ohms.

Now the true quarter wave is 117.75ohms, so the trim for a 50ohm dipole quarter wave would then be as such:

$$50\text{ohm dipole quarter wave trim to length} = 100 / 117.75 = 85\% \text{ overall.}$$

The knocking off 5%, just became a 15% trim off the true quarter wave wire.

As it happens, a 50ohm dipole each side has an inductive reactance of 100 ohms for each dipole element, which seems to equate in essence two 100ohm stub antennas on top of each other.

As each side of the 50ohm dipole is 100ohms, the total inductive reactance is 200ohms, both sides added together.

Well things work as such, by the following:

$$\text{signal pickup of the 50ohm dipole} = (200 / 471) * 5 = 2.1 \text{ Volts.}$$

Now convert this into signal power of Watts, remember power = V^2 / R

$$\text{thus, the power dipole (50ohms)} = (2.1 * 2.1) / 50 = 88\text{mW}$$

$$\text{dB gain} = 10 * \text{Log} (88\text{mW} / 0.5 \text{ Watts})$$

$$\text{dB gain} = -7.5\text{dB, or a } 7.5\text{dB loss}$$

Now for a 50ohms cross dipole, each side element is 200ohms, thus each has two 200ohms elements positioned sideways in a “V” shape, effectively with each side a “V” shape antenna element, equalling out to 100ohms load overall.

As each side of the “V” shape element has two 200ohms elements, equating with both sides to any overall 4 elements, each of 200 ohms, this then totals to an overall 800ohms inductive reactance used for the cross-dipole design.

Signal pickup of a cross 50ohm dipole = $(800 / 471) * 5 = 8.5$ Volts.

Thus, the RF signal power from the 50ohm cross dipole design:

$$\text{power} = (8.5 * 8.5) / 50 = 1.4 \text{ Watts}$$

$$\text{dB gain} = 10 * \text{Log} (1.4 \text{ Watts} / 0.5 \text{ Watts})$$

$$\text{dB gain} = 4.5\text{dB} \text{ for a cross element dipole}$$

Between the standard 50ohm dipole and the 50ohm cross dipole, there is a 12dB difference.

$$12\text{dB overall difference} = 7.5\text{dB loss} + 4.5\text{dB gain}$$

Now this bit of the article booklet is just theoretical, but, if your beam has a 10.5dB gain over a dipole, with the dipole 7.5dB calculation loss, the beam could be a 3dB gain over a full wave vertical or wire.

Replace the 50ohm dipole with a 50ohm cross dipole, the beam of a 10.5dB over a dipole, despite the dipole losses, would then be a 10.5dB + 4.5dB “cross dipole”, equating to a near 15dB gain over a full wave vertical, as an emf voltage within the etha.

Equates as : $10^{(15/10)} = 31$ times power improvement of concentrated signal, or as a signal voltage improvement, $10^{(15/20)} = 5.6$ times voltage :

equates to as $V^2/R = (5.6 * 5.6) / 1 = 31$ times.

(the “1” is a normalised magnitude value of 50hms)

In essence, a 15dB signal improvement upon the receiver input from the antenna, or a near 2 - 3 “S points” improvement.

One could try swapping their 50ohm dipole on their beam antenna for a 50ohm cross dipole version

To be sure to here, one must go by one's own experience regarding beam antennas.

By the way, a 31 times direction concentration is 10Watts radio, equates the antenna signal of 310 Watts ERP.

A 100Watt radio would elevate this to 3100 Watts ERP.

Antenna inductance

You may perhaps remember from the start of the article, that the length of a one metre was around the 300nH mark, or 0.25uH (250nH) overall.

To calculate the antenna elements inductance, follow the below example.

The length of the 10m 50ohm telescopic stub antenna was 106cm, also there are 100cm to one metre of wire antenna.

The inductance of the 10m 50ohm telescopic stub antenna is:

$$(106 / 100) * 250\text{nH} = 265\text{nH} \text{ or } 0.265\text{uH}$$

Now if one is building one's own 10m “walkie talkie”, then replace the 106cm wire whip for a 265nH inductor.

Now the thought of how this is, is a fair question, monitoring the bands I have noticed some asking the same question to fellow hams. The best answer I can offer, is the following.

The antenna radiation, of the current lobe, is compressed into the length of the coiled 265nH inductor, instead of the radiation current being spread over the 106cm antenna whip.

As the inductor is a compressed magnetic field, thus a concentrated magnetic field, so this may well be the answer to why I think that the inductor sized 50ohm stub antenna would still function, bearing in mind that the 106cm wire whip, is a long wire inductor.

Also bear in mind that a medium or long wave radio, uses a pickup coil that is wound around a ferrite rod, the ferrite rod to boost the coil inductance value of the pickup coil, for medium and long wave broadcast reception.

An air spaced coil would do similar, both for reception and transmission.

In question, the tuned medium wave coil for medium wave reception, is in essence a parallel tuned LC circuit. This with one end of the LC circuit grounded, while the top live end has a high impedance at resonance.

Although the live top end high impedance this is dependent upon the dynamic resistance of the LC tuned circuit, the parallel tuned LC circuit is in essence a ¼ wave coax cable section in lumped component form.

Dipole antenna load coils for 80m / 40m band operation.

Now here is one trick to think off.

If one were to replace the dipole elements with an inductor, what would occur.

Should one wish to construct an 80m dipole, remembering that each side section of a 50ohm dipole is 100ohms reactance:

$$(100 / 471) * 80m * 0.25uH/m = 17uH$$

For the 80m band 50ohm dipole, each element equates to 17uH in value.

An interesting thought though, a switching relay circuit system may be used to switch from the 80m (17uH load coil) to the 40m band (8.5uH load coil), together using band switching relays.

If the loft has only 6metres of space to hand, then even replacing some of the dipole wire with a coil inductance, or all of the wire with coils would be helpful.

300ohm coax Dipole

Likewise, if the design is for a 300ohm ribbon cable dipole, then each side of the 300ohm dipole would be 600ohms, for the very same reasons, in other words, each radiating element of a dipole antenna, would be 600ohm inductive reactance.

$$600 / 471 = 127\%,$$

The induced RF signal voltage would just 27% greater than a full wave antenna wire, but also the dimensions of 300ohm coax dipole, each side is also 27% greater than a full wave wire antenna.

However, as each side is 600 ohms, the total inductive reactance used is $600 * 2 = 1200$ ohms

The antenna performance equates as :

$$(1200 / 471) * 5 = 12.7 \text{ Volts}$$

$$\text{power} = (12.7 * 12.7) / 50$$

$$\text{power} = 3.2 \text{ Watts}$$

Completing the antenna performance calculation:

$$\text{dB gain} = 10 * \text{Log} (3.2 \text{ Watts} / 0.5 \text{ Watts})$$

$$\text{dB gain} = 8\text{dB overall}$$

This means that a 300ohm coax dipole has basically a 8dB advantage over a full wave long wire antenna. For a 100Watt transmitter, this is 630 Watts, or there about and 8dBm increase in the receiver's sensitivity, equates to as one and bit 's' points.

For a lumped component 300ohm coax standard dipole design, with each side of the dipole just an inductance coil, at an antenna boost of 8dB overall, or 6 times Tx power.

A 100 Watt Tx would seem as a 600Watt Tx overall output.

Dipole : band wavelength * (600 / 471) * 250nH = load coil dipole lump element

160m dipole load coil element = 51uH

80m dipole load coil element = 25.5uH

60m dipole load coil element = 19uH

40m dipole load coil element = 12.7uH

17m dipole load coil element = 5.4uH

15m dipole load coil element = 4.8uH

12m dipole load coil element = 3.8uH

10m dipole load coil element = 3.2uH

6m dipole load coil element = 1.9uH

4m dipole load coil element = 1.3uH

With the feed point at 300ohms, then a 300ohm to 50ohm balun would be used to interface a 50ohm coax cable. For multi band use, remote switch the load coils.

If should the dipole design be a **300ohm cross dipole design**, then each element of the cross section would be 1200 ohms. The overall total inductive reactance used for a 300ohm cross dipole, would be 4 * 1200 ohms, equating thus to 4800 ohms overall.

Effective change of accumulated induced RF signal voltage of a 300ohm ribbon cross dipole design:

$$4800 / 471 = 10.2 \text{ times greater}$$

The induced voltage reference to the full wave 5 Volts, equates to :

$$(4800 / 471) * 5 = 51 \text{ Volts}$$

The RF signal power of the 300ohm cross dipole reception is thus :

$$\text{power} = (51 * 51) / 50$$

$$\text{power} = 52 \text{ Watts}$$

Completing the 300ohms cross dipole antenna performance calculation:

$$\text{dB gain} = 10 * \text{Log} (52\text{Watts} / 0.5 \text{ Watts})$$

$$\text{dB gain} = 20.2 \text{ dB overall}$$

This equates also to a 20dB signal improvement upon the receiver, or a near '3 – 4'

“S point” improvement of the radio performance both Tx and Rx wise.

Cross : band wavelength * (1200 / 471) * 250nH = load coil dipole lump element

160m dipole load coil element = 101uH

80m dipole load coil element = 51uH

60m dipole load coil element = 38uH

40m dipole load coil element = 25.4uH

17m dipole load coil element = 10.8uH

15m dipole load coil element = 9.6uH

12m dipole load coil element = 7.6uH

10m dipole load coil element = 6.4uH

6m dipole load coil element = 3.8uH

4m dipole load coil element = 2.5uH

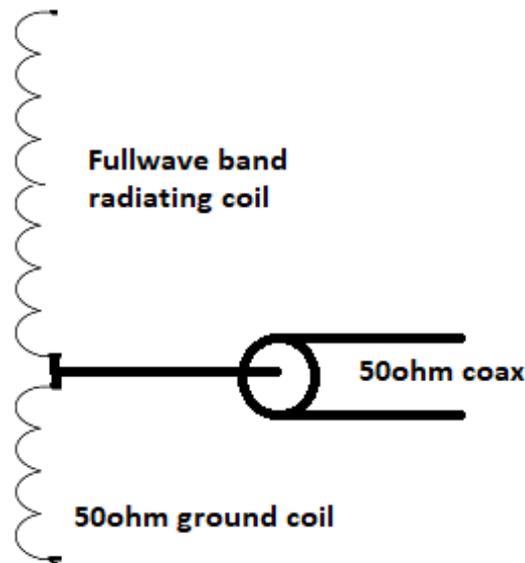
A 10Watt qrp radio with a 300ohm cross dipole, would seem as 1KW transmitter output.

A 100Watt radio, running as they say as “bare foot”, with a 300ohm cross dipole, would seem as 10KW transmitter output.

Be careful as to the band plan ERP limits for your ham radio licence.

Lumped Component coiled vertical antenna

View the below diagram:



The top coil is used as the radiating element, inductance reactance of 471ohms, but may be a multiple of wavelengths of extra signal gain. The grounding coil is used to impedance match the radiating coil to the 50ohm coax, as well as the radio itself.

For the 80m band, the full wave load coil inductance :

$$80\text{m} * 0.25\text{uH/m} = 20\text{uH} \quad \text{“40m band, 40uH load coil”}$$

The 80m 50ohm ground loading coil inductance :

$$(50 / 471) * 20\text{uH} = 2.1\text{uH} \quad \text{“40m band, 4.2uH ground coil”}$$

The principle here, the vertical antenna is full wavelength, thus the radiating coil would have a full electromagnetic connection to the surrounding etha. The full wave coil would in thought have a purposeful “1:1” turns ratio connection to the etha.

However, the insertion loss between the antenna and the etha, is based on the idea of a weak “B/H” magnetic curve of the etha environment. The “B/H” curve losses, magnetic saturation of the ferrite core, would be on top of any other propagation losses.

The antenna design is essentially off-centred dipole, replacing a wire inductance radiating element, by coiled inductance radiating elements.

Antenna Path Ratios

Much over the airwaves has been mentioned or talked about, relating to the benefits of one's own application of an antenna system.

I have attempted to derive a propagation program to at least try to un-tangle the physics behind just the "Inverse Square Law of signal decay", relative to the transmitter power output, the antenna system used, and the RF bandwidth of the receivers front end design.

Starting the quest with a degree of log notes related to the local 70cm repeater, and then onto a HF contact some 3000Km away towards Europe. The 40m band QSO, while using a bitx40 operating through a 40m wire via a 9:1 balun.

The radio ham 3000Km away, was using a dipole and a transmitter power output of 350Watts. Please note also the front-end bandwidth change the radio receiver's performance, as relating to the radio in hand, the bitx40 and the QSO end.

I found that while developing the Inverse Square Law application, an additional factor variable required into the equations. The signal values recorded in my logbook, did not match the prediction, so an "additional signal path loss" added. This then gave the ability to change the path loss variable for bad days and good days of a signal lift.

The "additional signal path loss" seemingly, averaged a 70dB increase in signal path losses. Whether this changes from HF to Microwaves is unknown, but it did seem otherwise to be the insertion loss connection of the antenna system, between the two stations. The "Inverse Square Law" equation itself, did not go fully to explain the communications pathway physics figures.

The figures below are based on an original 1st try of distance calculations, so assess with a bit of caution.

The 2nd try, an improved model illustrates an interesting set of results.

Hope folks, this helps.

Note the RF front end BW, the antenna used, Tx power

```

radio base to propagation distance.bbc
-104.397431dBW = 42.62uW
-149.0309dBW = 0.25uW
-103.0103dBW = 50uW
-151.189008dBW = 0.195uW

Rx Radio noise figure = 4.8 dB
Rx Audio signal to noise = 10 dB
Rx test bw Bw = 2700 Hz
Radio base line = 0.25 uW

Radio front-end Bw = 0.5 MHz
Tx power watts = 7 Watts
Frequency of signal = 7 MHz

antenna radio 'Tx' set 1 = 100 % eff. 0 dB 'Tx antenna'
antenna radio 'Rx' set 2 = 100 % eff. 0 dB 'Rx antenna'

additional signal path loss dB = 70dB

Reach RF Tx budget watts = 700 nW
Reach RF Tx budget dBW = -61.55 dBW

[----- Radio set 2 -----]
Rx signal      com's range      ERP Watts      EMF uW      EMF 'S'      Rx 'S'      Rx dBW      Rx uW      10 dB S/n
-126.17 dBW    5800.7 Km      7              3.47        4.65         4.65       -126.17     3.47      10 dB S/n
-123.17 dBW    4110.1 Km      7              4.9         5.22         5.22       -123.17     4.91     13 dB S/n
-120.17 dBW    2909.7 Km      7              6.93        5.78         5.78       -120.17     6.93     16 dB S/n
-117.17 dBW    2059.9 Km      7              9.79        6.34         6.34       -117.17     9.79     19 dB S/n
-114.17 dBW    1458.3 Km      7              13.83       6.9         6.9        -114.17    13.84    22 dB S/n
-111.17 dBW    1032.4 Km      7              19.54       7.47         7.47       -111.17    19.54    25 dB S/n
-108.17 dBW    730.9 Km       7              27.6        8.03         8.03       -108.17    27.61    28 dB S/n

[----- Radio set 1 -----]

```

Note the RF front end BW, the antenna used, Tx power

```

radio base to propagation distance:bbc
-104.397431dBW = 42.62uW
-149.0309dBW = 0.25uW
-103.0103dBW = 50uW
-151.189080dBW = 0.195uW

```

```

Rx Radio noise figure = 4.8 dB
Rx Audio signal to noise = 10 dB
Rx test bw Bw = 2700 Hz
Radio base line = 0.25 uW

Radio front-end Bw = 4 MHz
Tx power watts = 350 Watts
Frequency of signal = 7 MHz

antenna radio 'Tx' set 1 = 35.39 % eff. -9.1 dB 'Tx antenna'
antenna radio 'Rx' set 2 = 100 % eff. 0 dB 'Rx antenna'

additional signal path loss dB = 70dB

Reach RF Tx budget watts = 4305 nW
Reach RF Tx budget dBW = -53.66 dBW

```

```

[----- Comm's channel -----]
Rx signal      com's range      ERP Watts      EMF uW      EMF 'S'      RX 'S'      Rx dBW      Rx uW      10 dB S/n
-117.14 dBW    5089.1 Km    3180.7 miles    43.05      9.82      6.35      6.35      -117.14      9.83      10 dB S/n
-114.14 dBW    3604.5 Km    2252.8 miles    43.05      13.88     6.91      6.91      -114.14     13.88     13 dB S/n
-111.14 dBW    2551.8 Km    1594.8 miles    43.05      19.61     7.47      7.47      -111.14     19.61     16 dB S/n
-108.14 dBW    1806.5 Km    1129 miles      43.05      27.7      8.04      8.04      -108.14     27.71     19 dB S/n
-105.14 dBW    1278.9 Km    799.3 miles     43.05      39.12     8.6       8.6       -105.14     39.14     22 dB S/n
-102.14 dBW    905.4 Km     565.8 miles     43.05      55.26     9.16      9.16      -102.14     55.29     25 dB S/n
-99.14 dBW     640.9 Km     400.6 miles     43.05      78.07     9.72      9.72      -99.14      78.1      28 dB S/n
]

```

radio base to propagation distance:bbc

-104.397431dBW = 42.62uW

-149.0309dBW = 0.25uW

-103.0103dBW = 50uW

-151.189008dBW = 0.195uW

Rx Radio noise figure = 4.8 dB

Rx Audio signal to noise = 10 dB

Rx test bw Bw = 2700 Hz

Radio base line = 0.25 uW

Radio front-end Bw = 4 MHz

Tx power watts = 4500 Watts

Frequency of signal = 7 MHz

antenna radio 'Tx' set 1 = 8.84 % eff. -21.1 dB 'Tx antenna'

antenna radio 'Rx' set 2 = 100 % eff. 0 dB 'Rx antenna'

additional signal path loss dB = 70dB

Reach RF Tx budget watts = 3493 nW

Reach RF Tx budget dBW = -54.57 dBW

```

----- Comm's channel -----
Rx signal      com's range      ERP Watts      EMF uW      EMF 'S'      Rx 'S'      Rx dBW      Rx uW      dB S/n
-117.14 dBW    4583.7 Km      2864.8 miles    34.93       9.82         6.35         6.35        -117.14     9.83       10 dB S/n
-114.14 dBW    3246.5 Km      2029 miles      34.93       13.88        6.91         6.91        -114.14     13.88      13 dB S/n
-111.14 dBW    2298.3 Km      1436.4 miles    34.93       19.61        7.47         7.47        -111.14     19.61      16 dB S/n
-108.14 dBW    1627.1 Km      1016.9 miles    34.93       27.7         8.04         8.04        -108.14     27.71      19 dB S/n
-105.14 dBW    1151.9 Km      719.9 miles     34.93       39.12        8.6          8.6         -105.14     39.14      22 dB S/n
-102.14 dBW    815.4 Km       509.6 miles     34.93       55.26        9.16         9.16        -102.14     55.29      25 dB S/n
-99.14 dBW     577.3 Km       360.8 miles     34.93       78.07        9.72         9.72        -99.14      78.1       28 dB S/n
----- radio unit -----

```

Note the RF front end BW, the antenna used, Tx power

radio base to propagation distancebhc

-104.397431dBW = 42.62uW

-149.0309dBW = 0.25uW

-103.0103dBW = 50uW

-151.189008dBW = 0.195uW

Rx Radio noise figure = 4.8 dB

Rx Audio signal to noise = 10 dB

Rx test bw Bw = 2700 Hz

Radio base line = 0.25 uW

Radio front-end Bw = 0.5 MHz

Tx power watts = 5 Watts

Frequency of signal = 7 MHz

antenna 'radio 'Tx' set 1 = 35.39 % eff. -9.1 dB 'Tx antenna'

antenna 'radio 'Rx' set 2 = 35.39 % eff. -9.1 dB 'Rx antenna'

additional signal path loss dB = 70dB

Reach RF Tx budget watts = 61 nW

Reach RF Tx budget dBW = -72.12 dBW

```
[----- Comm's channel -----] [----- radio unit -----]
```

Rx signal	com's range	ERP Watts	EMF uW	EMF 'S'	Rx 'S'	Rx dBW	Rx uW	dB S/n
-117.07 dBW	603.4 Km	0.61	9.9	6.36	4.65	-126.17	3.47	10 dB S/n
-114.07 dBW	427.3 Km	0.61	13.99	6.92	5.22	-123.17	4.91	13 dB S/n
-111.07 dBW	302.5 Km	0.61	19.76	7.49	5.78	-120.17	6.93	16 dB S/n
-108.07 dBW	214.1 Km	0.61	27.92	8.05	6.34	-117.17	9.79	19 dB S/n
-105.07 dBW	151.6 Km	0.61	39.44	8.61	6.9	-114.17	13.84	22 dB S/n
-102.07 dBW	107.3 Km	0.61	55.71	9.18	7.47	-111.17	19.54	25 dB S/n
-99.07 dBW	75.9 Km	0.61	78.7	9.74	8.03	-108.17	27.61	28 dB S/n

Note the RF front end BW, the antenna used, Tx power

example :- Yaesu FT450d : R.F. Sen = 0.25uV @ 10dB s/n , LF. Bw = 2.7KHz , NF = 4.6dB

Bench Sig Gen input references

LF. Bw KHz R.F. MHz
 RF sens uV Audio dB s/n

Bench Equated RF results

Sens. dBW NF dB
 'S' points

enter calculate
"Radio Com's"

On Air RF input Variables

RF 'Bw' MHz AF dB s/n

On Air Equated RF results

Sens. dBW Sens. uV
 'S' points

Source Radio 'Tx' Antenna results

antenna dB eff
 Radio Tx dBW
 dBW ' ERP '
 Watts ' ERP '
 Volts ' ERP '
 'S' points ' ERP '

'Com's link input variables'

Radio Tx Power Watts Additional Path Loss dB
 'Tx' ant XL ohms 'Rx' ant XL ohms

Com's Signal Link Distance results

Km
 miles
 +/- 'time zone of arc'

' Info examples '
 Full wave = 471 Ω, 1/2 wave = 236 Ω, 1/4 wave = 118 Ω
 40m wire on 20m band = (40m wire / 20m band) * 471 = 942 Ω
 dipole = 200 Ω, 50 Ω stub = 50 Ω

Destination Radio 'Rx' Antenna results

antenna dB eff
 dBW
 uV
 'S' points

min link distance = 1mm
 min Tx power = 1mW @ 50ohm stub antenna
 Try using individual Tx and Rx antenna's

' Info examples '
 Beam antenna = 10.5dBd ' over dipole ' (voltage gain)
 yagi ohms = 10.5dBd - 7.5dB (dipole loss) = 3dB
 yagi ohms = 10 * (3 / 20) = 1.41 * 471 = 665 Ω

Bitx40 each way, 40m wire 9:1 balun

Bitx40 out 40m wire, standard radio return with 50ohm dipole, 4MHz BW front end

Radio Propagation Model :- By Alastair GW0AJU (date :- 11th Feb 2022)

example :- Yaesu FT450d : R.F. Sen = 0.25uV @ 10dB s/h , I.F. Bw = 2.7KHz, NF = 4.6dB

Bench Sig Gen input references

I.F. Bw KHz R.F. MHz

RF sens uV Audio dB s/h

Bench Equated RF results

Sens. dBW NF dB

'S' points

Source Radio 'Tx' Antenna results

<input type="text" value="0"/>	antenna dB eff
<input type="text" value="24.77"/>	Radio Tx dBW
<input type="text" value="24.771"/>	dBW ' ERP '
<input type="text" value="300"/>	Watts ' ERP '
<input type="text" value="122.4"/>	Volts ' ERP '
<input type="text" value="9+127.77dB"/>	'S' points ' ERP '

' Info examples '

Full wave = 471 Ω, 1/2 wave = 236 Ω, 1/4 wave = 118 Ω

40m wire on 20m band = (40m wire / 20m band) * 471 = 942 Ω

dipole = 200 Ω, 50 Ω stub = 50 Ω

enter calculate
"Radio Com's"

Com's link input variables '

Radio 'Tx' Power Watts Additional Path Loss dB

'Tx' ant XL ohms 'Rx' ant XL ohms

Com's Signal Link Distance results

Km

miles

+ / - ' time zone of arc '

min link distance = 1mm

min Tx power = 1mW @ 50ohm stub antenna

Try using individual Tx and Rx antenna's.

On Air RF input Variables

RF "Bw" MHz AF dB s/h

On Air Equated RF results

Sens. dBW Sens. uV

'S' points

Destination Radio 'Rx' Antenna results

<input type="text" value="-7.44"/>	antenna dB eff
<input type="text" value="-109.9"/>	dBW
<input type="text" value="22.619"/>	uV
<input type="text" value="7.84"/>	'S' points

' Info examples '

Beam antenna = 10*5dBd ' over dipole ' (voltage gain)

yagi ohms = 10*5dBd - 7*5dB (dipole loss) = 3dB

yagi ohms = 10*(3 / 20) = 1.41 * 471 = 665 Ω

- □ X

example :- Yaesu FT450d : R.F. Sen = 0.25uV @ 10dB s/n , I.F. Bw = 2.7KHz, NF = 4.6dB

Bench Sig Gen input references

I.F. Bw KHz R.F. MHz
 RF sens uV Audio dB s/n

Bench Equated RF results

Sens. dBW NF dB
 'S' points

enter calculate
"Radio Com's"

On Air RF input Variables

RF "Bw" MHz AF dB s/n

On Air Equated RF results

Sens. dBW Sens. uV
 'S' points

Source Radio 'Tx' Antenna results

antenna dB eff
 Radio Tx dBW
 dBW 'ERP'
 Watts 'ERP'
 Volts 'ERP'
 'S' points 'ERP'

'Com's link input variables'

Radio 'Tx' Power Watts Additional Path Loss dB
 'Tx' ant XL ohms 'Rx' ant XL ohms

Com's Signal Link Distance results

Km
 miles
 +/- 'time zone of arc'

Destination Radio 'Rx' Antenna results

antenna dB eff
 dBW
 uV
 'S' points

'Info examples'

Full wave = 471 Ω, 1/2 wave = 236 Ω, 1/4 wave = 118 Ω
 40m wire on 20m band = (40m wire / 20m band) * 471 = 942 Ω
 dipole = 200 Ω, 50 Ω stub = 50 Ω

min link distance = 1mm
 min Tx power = 1nW @ 50ohm stub antenna
 Try using individual Tx and Rx antenna's.

'Info examples'

Beam antenna = 10.5dBd 'over dipole' (voltage gain)
 yagi ohms = 10.5dBd - 7.5dB (dipole loss) = 3dB
 yagi ohms = 10^(3/20) = 1.41 * 471 = 665 Ω

Standard radios both ways using 50ohm dipole antenna.