

Important Electromagnetic Distance Measurement Formulas PDF



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Important Electromagnetic Distance Measurement Formulas

1) EDM Corrections Formulas ↻

1.1) Barometric Pressure given Group Refractive Index Formula ↻

Formula

Evaluate Formula ↻

$$P_b = \left((n - 1) + \left(\left(\frac{11.27 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot e}{273.15 + t} \right) \right) \right) \cdot \left(\frac{273.15 + t}{0.269578 \cdot (n_0 - 1)} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$6884.1177 = \left((2 - 1) + \left(\left(\frac{11.27 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot 1006 \text{ mbar}}{273.15 + 98} \right) \right) \right) \cdot \left(\frac{273.15 + 98}{0.269578 \cdot (1.2 - 1)} \right)$$

1.2) Corrected Slope Distance for Refractive Index Formula ↻

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula ↻

$$D_c = \left(\frac{n_s}{RI} \right) \cdot D_m$$

$$135.4089 \text{ m} = \left(\frac{1.9}{1.333} \right) \cdot 95 \text{ m}$$

1.3) Essen and Froome Formula for Group Refractive Index Formula ↻

Formula

Evaluate Formula ↻

$$n = 1 + \left(77.624 \cdot P_b \cdot \frac{10^{-6}}{273.15 + t} \right) + \left(\left(\frac{0.372}{(273.15 + t)^2} \right) - \left(12.92 \cdot \frac{10^{-6}}{273.15 + t} \right) \right) \cdot e$$

Example with Units

$$1.2696 = 1 + \left(77.624 \cdot 6921.213 \cdot \frac{10^{-6}}{273.15 + 98} \right) + \left(\left(\frac{0.372}{(273.15 + 98)^2} \right) - \left(12.92 \cdot \frac{10^{-6}}{273.15 + 98} \right) \right) \cdot 1006 \text{ mbar}$$



1.4) Group Refractive Index at Standard Conditions Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$n_0 = 1 + \left(287.604 + \left(\frac{4.8864}{\lambda^2} \right) + \left(\frac{0.068}{\lambda^4} \right) \right) \cdot 10^{-6}$$

Example with Units

$$1.0003 = 1 + \left(287.604 + \left(\frac{4.8864}{20_m^2} \right) + \left(\frac{0.068}{20_m^4} \right) \right) \cdot 10^{-6}$$

1.5) Group Refractive Index if Temperature and Humidity are different from Standard Values Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$n = 1 + \left(\frac{0.269578 \cdot (n_0 - 1) \cdot P_b}{273.15 + t} \right) - \left(\left(\frac{11.27}{273.15 + t} \right) \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot e \right)$$

Example with Units

$$2.0054 = 1 + \left(\frac{0.269578 \cdot (1.2 - 1) \cdot 6921.213}{273.15 + 98} \right) - \left(\left(\frac{11.27}{273.15 + 98} \right) \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot 1006_{mbar} \right)$$

1.6) IUCG Formula for Refractive Index Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$n = 1 + \left(0.000077624 \cdot \frac{P_b}{273.15 + t} \right) - \left(\left(\left(\frac{12.924}{273.15 + t} \right) + \left(\frac{371900}{(273.15 + t)^2} \right) \right) \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot e \right)$$

Example with Units

$$0.9987 = 1 + \left(0.000077624 \cdot \frac{6921.213}{273.15 + 98} \right) - \left(\left(\left(\frac{12.924}{273.15 + 98} \right) + \left(\frac{371900}{(273.15 + 98)^2} \right) \right) \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot 1006_{mbar} \right)$$

1.7) Overall Standard Error Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$\sigma_D = \sqrt{E_s^2 + (D \cdot p \cdot 10^{-6})^2}$$

Example with Units

$$60 = \sqrt{60^2 + (50_m \cdot 65 \cdot 10^{-6})^2}$$

1.8) Partial Pressure of Water Vapour when Temperature Effects are Considered Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$e = e_w - 0.7 \cdot \Delta T$$

Example with Units

$$1006_{mbar} = 1013_{mbar} - 0.7 \cdot 10$$



1.9) Temperature Difference given Partial Pressure Formula ↻

Formula

$$\Delta T = \frac{e_w - e}{0.7}$$

Example with Units

$$10 = \frac{1013 \text{ mbar} - 1006 \text{ mbar}}{0.7}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

1.10) Wave Velocity in Medium Formula ↻

Formula

$$V = \frac{V_0}{RI}$$

Example with Units

$$150.0375 \text{ m/s} = \frac{200 \text{ m/s}}{1.333}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

1.11) Wave Velocity in Vacuum Formula ↻

Formula

$$V_0 = V \cdot RI$$

Example with Units

$$198.617 \text{ m/s} = 149 \text{ m/s} \cdot 1.333$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

2) EDM Lines Formulas ↻

2.1) Reduced Distance Formula ↻

Formula

$$K = R \cdot \sqrt{\frac{(D - (H_2 - H_1)) \cdot (D + (H_2 - H_1))}{(R + H_1) \cdot (R + H_2)}}$$

Example with Units

$$49.2136 \text{ m} = 6370 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{(50 \text{ m} - (100 \text{ m} - 101 \text{ m})) \cdot (50 \text{ m} + (100 \text{ m} - 101 \text{ m}))}{(6370 + 101 \text{ m}) \cdot (6370 + 100 \text{ m})}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

2.2) Spheroidal Distance Formula ↻

Formula

$$S = K + \left(\frac{K^3}{24 \cdot R^2} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$49.5001 \text{ m} = 49.5 \text{ m} + \left(\frac{49.5 \text{ m}^3}{24 \cdot 6370^2} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

2.3) Spheroidal Distance for Geodimeters Formula ↻

Formula

$$S = K + \left(\frac{K^3}{38 \cdot R^2} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$49.5001 \text{ m} = 49.5 \text{ m} + \left(\frac{49.5 \text{ m}^3}{38 \cdot 6370^2} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

2.4) Spheroidal Distance for Tellurometers Formula ↻

Formula

$$S = K + \left(\frac{K^3}{43 \cdot R^2} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$49.5001 \text{ m} = 49.5 \text{ m} + \left(\frac{49.5 \text{ m}^3}{43 \cdot 6370^2} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula ↻



3) Phase Difference Method Formulas

3.1) Double Path Measurement Formula

Formula

$$2D = M \cdot \lambda + \delta\lambda$$

Example with Units

$$649.6\text{ m} = 32 \cdot 20\text{ m} + 9.6\text{ m}$$

Evaluate Formula

3.2) Fraction Part of Wavelength Formula

Formula

$$\delta\lambda = \left(\frac{\Phi}{2 \cdot \pi} \right) \cdot \lambda$$

Example with Units

$$9.5493\text{ m} = \left(\frac{3}{2 \cdot 3.1416} \right) \cdot 20\text{ m}$$

Evaluate Formula

3.3) Fraction Part of Wavelength given Double Path Measurement Formula

Formula

$$\delta\lambda = (2D - (M \cdot \lambda))$$

Example with Units

$$9.6\text{ m} = (649.6\text{ m} - (32 \cdot 20\text{ m}))$$

Evaluate Formula

3.4) Integer Part of Wavelength for given Double Path Formula

Formula

$$M = \frac{2D - \delta\lambda}{\lambda}$$

Example with Units

$$32 = \frac{649.6\text{ m} - 9.6\text{ m}}{20\text{ m}}$$

Evaluate Formula

3.5) Wavelength given Double Path Formula

Formula

$$\lambda = \frac{2D - \delta\lambda}{M}$$

Example with Units

$$20\text{ m} = \frac{649.6\text{ m} - 9.6\text{ m}}{32}$$

Evaluate Formula

4) Pulse Method Formulas

4.1) Completion Time for given Distance of Path Formula

Formula

$$\Delta t = 2 \cdot \frac{D}{c}$$

Example with Units

$$0.5025 = 2 \cdot \frac{50\text{ m}}{199\text{ m/s}}$$

Evaluate Formula

4.2) Distance Measured Formula

Formula

$$D = c \cdot \frac{\Delta t}{2}$$

Example with Units

$$49.75\text{ m} = 199\text{ m/s} \cdot \frac{0.5}{2}$$

Evaluate Formula

4.3) Velocity in Medium given Distance Formula

Formula

$$c = 2 \cdot \frac{D}{\Delta t}$$

Example with Units

$$200\text{ m/s} = 2 \cdot \frac{50\text{ m}}{0.5}$$

Evaluate Formula



Variables used in list of Electromagnetic Distance Measurement Formulas above

- **2D** Double Path (Meter)
- **c** Velocity of Light wave (Meter per Second)
- **D** Distance Traveled (Meter)
- **D_c** Corrected Slope (Meter)
- **D_m** Measured Distance (Meter)
- **e** Partial Pressure of Water Vapour (Millibar)
- **E_s** Standard Error e
- **e_w** Saturated Vapor Pressure of Water (Millibar)
- **H₁** Elevation of a (Meter)
- **H₂** Elevation of b (Meter)
- **K** Reduced Distance (Meter)
- **M** Integer part of Wave Length
- **n** Group Refractive Index
- **n₀** Group Refractive Index for Standard Condition
- **n_s** Standard Refractive Index
- **p** Standard Error p
- **P_b** Barometric Pressure
- **R** Earth Radius in km
- **RI** Refractive Index
- **S** Spheroidal Distance (Meter)
- **t** Temperature in Celsius
- **V** Wave Velocity (Meter per Second)
- **V₀** Velocity in Vacuum (Meter per Second)
- **Δt** Time Taken
- **ΔT** Temperature Change
- **δλ** Fraction of Wavelength (Meter)
- **λ** Wavelength (Meter)
- **σ_D** Overall Standard Error
- **Φ** Phase Difference

Constants, Functions, Measurements used in list of Electromagnetic Distance Measurement Formulas above

- **constant(s):** pi,
3.14159265358979323846264338327950288
Archimedes' constant
- **Functions:** sqrt, sqrt(Number)
A square root function is a function that takes a non-negative number as an input and returns the square root of the given input number.
- **Measurement: Length** in Meter (m)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Pressure** in Millibar (mbar)
Pressure Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Speed** in Meter per Second (m/s)
Speed Unit Conversion 



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