

Conversion Calculators for Power Units and VSWR / Reflection

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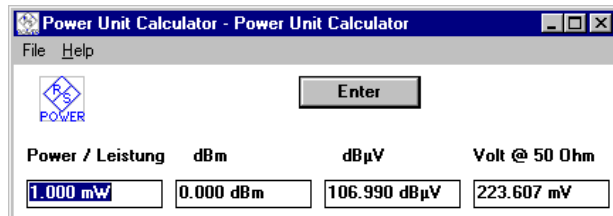
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1. Overview

This Application Note describes two programs for calculating conversions:

- The Power Unit Calculator
Power, dBm, dBµV and Volts @ 50 Ω
- The VSWR Calculator
Reflection, VSWR, Return loss and Power reflection
Reflection_s, Reflection_l to Mismatch Uncertainty

2. Power Unit Calculator



The Power Unit Calculator is a program for power unit conversion.

It converts the following units:

- Power in Watts
- dBm
- dBµV
- Volts at 50 Ω

Enter a value in any field, and all the other values are calculated and displayed.

Formulas used:

$$P / \text{dBm} = 10 \cdot \lg(P / \text{W}) - 30$$

$$U / \text{dBmV} = (P / \text{dBm}) + 106.9897$$

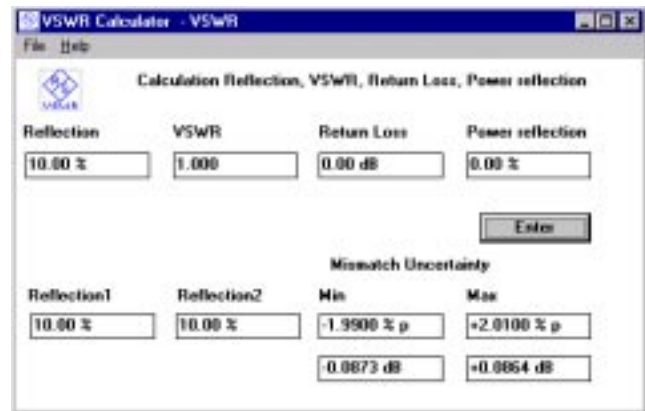
$$P / \text{W} = 10^{(P / \text{dBm}) / 10} / 1000$$

$$U / \text{V} = 10^{(U / \text{dBmV}) / 10 - 6}$$

$$P / \text{dBm} = (U / \text{dBmV}) - 106.9897$$

$$U / \text{dBmV} = 20 \lg((U / \text{V}) / 1e - 6)$$

3. VSWR Calculator



The VSWR Calculator is a program for reflection unit conversion.

It converts the following units:

- VSWR
- Reflection
- Return Loss
- Prefl (Power reflection)
- Reflection_s, Reflection_l to Mismatch Uncertainty

Enter a value in any field, and all the other values are calculated and displayed.

Formulas used:

$$s = \frac{1 + r}{1 - r}$$

$$a / \text{dB} = 20 \cdot \lg \frac{s + 1}{s - 1}$$

$$\frac{P_{\text{refl}}}{P_{\text{vorw}}} = \left(\frac{1}{10^{a/20\text{dB}}} \right)^2$$

$$r = \frac{s - 1}{s + 1}$$

$$s = \frac{10^{a/20\text{dB}} + 1}{10^{a/20\text{dB}} - 1}$$

$$a / \text{dB} = 20 \cdot \lg \frac{1}{\sqrt{P_{\text{refl}} / P_{\text{vorw}}}}$$

Mismatch Uncertainty:

$$M_u \text{ max} = 100 \cdot \left[(1 + r_g r_l)^2 - 1 \right]$$

$$M_u \text{ min} = 100 \cdot \left[(1 - r_g r_l)^2 - 1 \right]$$

r_g = Generator reflection
 r_l = Load reflection

4. Hardware and Software Requirements

Hardware Requirements

The program will run on any IBM AT compatible computer with

- CPU: 486, Pentium or better; clock rate >100 MHz
- RAM: > 32 Mbyte (for Windows NT >48 Mbytes)
- Monitor: VGA color monitor minimum 800x600 recommended 1024x768

Software Requirements (Operating System)

- Windows 3.x, Windows 95 or Windows NT (version 4.0 or later)

5. Installing the Software

The Conversion Calculator Programs are supplied as a packed file.

- 1) Download the ConvCalc.exe file to a temporary directory.
- 2) **Run the ConvCalc.exe file.**

The installation programs are expanded to the directories **C:\ConvCalc \Disk1mm\ Disk1** and **C:\ConvCalc \Disk1mm\Disk 2**

To install the Conversion Calculator Programs from the hard disk **run setup.exe** in **C:\ConvCalc \Disk1mm\ Disk1**.

The setup program prompts for all necessary inputs.

After installing the program the directory

C:\programs\Rohde&Schwarz


ConversionCalculators contains the following files:


VSWR.EXE	VSWR.HLP
W_DB.EXE	W_DB.HLP

6. Starting the Software

Start the program with:

Start\programs\Rohde & Schwarz\ConvCalc

 VSWR (VSWR Calculator)

 W_DB (Power Unit Calculator)

or in the installed directory double click on

 VSWR.EXE

 W_DB.EXE



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