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# SOLUTIONS AND SIMPLE PROGRAMS TO PERFORM ACCURATE CALCULATIONS BASED ON RICE DISTRIBUTION

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### FOREWORD

This report derives solutions to the Rice distribution and contains simple computer programs for solving the integral for the defined dependent variable. This work was accomplished under AirTask A30-303/2161/W1174-000-01.

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## INTRODUCTION

The Rice distribution arises in bombing problems where it is referred to as the "offset circle probability function." It also occurs in radar as a basic relationship involving probability of false alarm (PFA), probability of detection ( $P_d$ ), and signal-power-to-noise-power (S/N) ratio. Evaluation of  $P_d$  when PFA and S/N are known, or of S/N when PFA and  $P_d$  are known, is of usefulness frequently, but within the writer's knowledge, available means, in the form of curves, approximations, and tables are not very satisfying. The solution of the integral in a form that is interesting and easily programmable is presented herein. Programs in BASIC and for the newly available Hewlett Packard 9100A desk calculator are also included.

## DISCUSSION OF INTEGRAL VARIATIONS

The integral that concerns us appears with numerous minor variations in several references. Six of these variations are as follows:

Equation 1 is the offset circle probability function.

$$P(a,v) = \int_0^v x e^{-(a^2 + x^2)/2} I_0(ax) dx \quad (1)$$

Reference 1 on page 15, Eq. 1.5 gives

$$P_d = (1/\psi_0) \int_{E_t}^{\infty} E_n \exp\left(\frac{-E_n^2 - E_s^2}{2\psi_0}\right) I_0\left(\frac{E_n E_s}{\psi_0}\right) dE_n \quad (2)$$

Reference 2 on page 407, substituting Eq. 7-144 into Eq. 7-143 gives

$$P_{sb} = \int_b^{\infty} \frac{e^{-s^2} r e^{-r^2/2N}}{N} I_0(rs \sqrt{2/N}) dr \quad (3)$$

Reference 3 on page 170, Eq. 33.43 gives

$$D = \int_{\epsilon_*}^{\infty} \frac{\epsilon}{\sigma^2} e^{-[(\bar{\phi})^2 + \epsilon^2]/2\sigma^2} I_0\left(\frac{\bar{\phi}\epsilon}{\sigma^2}\right) d\epsilon \quad (4)$$

Reference 4 on page 126, Eq. 1-35 gives

$$P_{sb} = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2y e^{-(y^2 + s^2)}}{\sqrt{-\log_e P_{nb}}} I_0(2sy) dy \quad (5)$$

Reference 5 on page 33, Eq. 2.28 gives the following, which is also the form used by Rice in his original work.

$$P_d = \int_{V_t}^{\infty} \frac{R}{\psi_0} \exp\left(-\frac{R^2 + A^2}{2\psi_0}\right) I_0\left(\frac{RA}{\psi_0}\right) dR \quad (6)$$

Herein, we will start with Eq. 7 which, except for using  $P_d$  in place of  $P_{sb}$ , is the same as Eq. 3. The choice is just happenstance.

$$P_d = \int_b^{\infty} \frac{e^{-s^2} r e^{-r^2/2N}}{N} I_0(rs\sqrt{2/N}) dr \quad (7)$$

Equations 1-6 are related to Eq. 7 as follows:

In Eq. 1

$$P(a,v) = 1 - P_d$$

$$x = r/\sqrt{N}, \quad dx = dr/\sqrt{N}, \quad v = b/\sqrt{N}$$

$$a^2/2 = s^2, \quad a = \sqrt{2} s$$

In Eq. 2

$$E_n = r, \quad dE_n = dr$$

$$E_t = b, \quad P_d = P_d$$

$$\psi_0 = N, \quad E_s^2/2\psi_0 = S^2$$

In Eq. 3

$$P_{sb} = P_d$$

In Eq. 4

$$\epsilon = r, \quad \epsilon_* = b$$

$$\sigma^2 = N, \quad \bar{\phi} = S\sqrt{2N}, \quad D = P_d$$

In Eq. 5

$$\sqrt{-\log_e P_{nb}} = \frac{b}{\sqrt{2N}}$$

$$y^2 = r^2/2N, \quad y = r/\sqrt{2N}, \quad dy = dr/\sqrt{2N}$$

In Eq. 6 (essentially the same as 2)

$$R = r, \quad V_T = b$$

$$\psi_0 = N, \quad A^2/2\psi_0 = S^2$$

In Eq. 1-7, the modified Bessel function of the first kind and zero order  $I_0(Z)$  appears, and its expansion in series form, as found in handbooks or in Ref. 1-5, is given as follows:

$$I_0(Z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{Z^{2n}}{2^{2n}(n!)^2} \quad (8)$$

Substituting Eq. 8 into Eq. 7 and replacing Z with  $rs\sqrt{2/N}$  gives

$$P_d = \int_b^\infty \frac{e^{-s^2} r e^{-r^2/2N}}{N} \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{(rs\sqrt{2/N})^{2n}}{2^{2n}(n!)^2} dr \quad (9)$$

In Eq. 9, since we are integrating with respect to r, and summing with respect to n, we can take  $e^{-s^2}/N$  outside the integral and take  $r e^{-r^2/2N}$  inside the summation to give the following:

$$P_d = \frac{e^{-s^2}}{N} \int_b^\infty \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{(s\sqrt{2/N})^{2n} e^{-r^2/2N} r^{2n+1}}{2^{2n} (n!)^2} dr \quad (10)$$

In Eq. 10, the s and r functions that appear inside the summation sign have also been separated.

The integration and summation in Eq. 10 can be interchanged in order and, since we are integrating with respect to r, we can write the following.

$$P_d = \frac{e^{-s^2}}{N} \sum_{n=0}^\infty \left[ \frac{(s\sqrt{2/N})^{2n}}{(2)^{2n}(n!)^2} \int_b^\infty e^{-r^2/2N} r^{2n+1} dr \right] \quad (11)$$

In Eq. 11 consider the integral

$$\int_b^\infty e^{-r^2/2N} r^{2n+1} dr \quad (12)$$

Let

$$y = -r^2/2N \text{ or } r^2 = -2Ny$$



Then

$$dy = -\frac{r}{N} dr$$

or

$$dr = -\frac{N}{r} dy$$

By making these substitutions into Eq. 12 we get Eq. 13.

$$-N \int_{r=b}^{r=\infty} e^y (-2Ny)^n dy \quad (13)$$

Expressing Eq. 13 operationally we get

$$\left[ -N \frac{1}{D} e^y (-2Ny)^n \right]_{r=b}^{r=\infty} \quad (14)$$

$$= \left[ -N e^y \frac{1}{D+1} (-2Ny)^n \right]_{r=b}^{r=\infty} \quad (15)$$

$$= \left[ -N e^y (1 - D + D^2 - D^3 + D^4 - D^5 \dots) (-2Ny)^n \right]_{r=b}^{r=\infty} \quad (16)$$

$$= \left[ -N e^y \left\{ (-2Ny)^n - n(-2N)(-2Ny)^{n-1} \right. \right. \quad (17)$$

$$\left. \left. + (n)(n-1)(-2N)^2(-2Ny)^{n-2} \dots \right\} \right]_{r=b}^{r=\infty}$$

$$= \left[ -Ne^y \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \frac{n!}{(n-k)!} (-2N)^k (-2Ny)^{n-k} \right]_{r=b}^{r=\infty} \quad (18)$$

$$= \left[ -Ne^{-\frac{r^2}{2N}} \sum_{k=0}^n (2N)^k \frac{n!}{(n-k)!} (r^2)^{n-k} \right]_{r=b}^{r=\infty} \quad (19)$$

$$= Ne^{-\frac{b^2}{2N}} \sum_{k=0}^n (2N)^k \frac{n!}{(n-k)!} (b^2)^{n-k} \quad (20)$$

Substituting Eq. 20 for the integral in Eq. 11 we get the following.

$$P_d = e^{-s^2} e^{-\frac{b^2}{2N}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{(s\sqrt{2N})^{2n}}{2^{2n}(n!)^2} \sum_{k=0}^n (2N)^k \frac{n!}{(n-k)!} (b^2)^{n-k} \right] \quad (21)$$

or

$$P_d = e^{-s^2} e^{-\frac{b^2}{2N}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} s^{2n} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{2^n 2^k N^k (b^2)^{n-k}}{N^n (2)^{2n} n!(n-k)!} \quad (22)$$

or

$$P_d = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(S^2)^n}{e^{S^2} n!} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(b^2/2N)^{n-k}}{e^{b^2/2N} (n-k)!} \quad (23)$$

In Eq. 23,  $S^2$  is the signal-power-to-noise-power ratio, and  $e^{-b^2/2N}$  is the PFA. Using  $R$  for the signal-to-noise ratio in place of  $S^2$  and  $T$  in place of  $b^2/2N$ , we get the following:

$$P_d' = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{R^n}{e^R n!} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{T^{n-k}}{e^T (n-k)!} \quad (24)$$

The form of Eq. 24 is noteworthy in that for each value of n, the second summation is the ratio of the sum of the first n terms of the e<sup>T</sup> series divided by the entire e<sup>T</sup> series, and the term between the summation signs acting as a factor is the ratio of the n<sup>th</sup> term of the e<sup>R</sup> series divided by the entire e<sup>R</sup> series.

In programming Eq. 24, it will help to write out the development of P<sub>d</sub> for the first few values of n.

n	k	Partial Sums
0	0	(1/e <sup>R</sup> )(1/e <sup>T</sup> )
1	0, 1	(R/e <sup>R</sup> ) { (1 + T)/e <sup>T</sup> }
2	0, 1, 2	{R <sup>2</sup> /(e <sup>R</sup> 2!)} { (1 + T + T <sup>2</sup> /2!)/e <sup>T</sup> }
⋮	⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮	⋮
n	0, 1, ----n	{R <sup>n</sup> /(e <sup>R</sup> n!)} { (1 + T + T <sup>2</sup> /2! + ---- T <sup>n</sup> /n!)/e <sup>T</sup> }

We are to find P<sub>d</sub> with the following given:

$$(S/N) \text{ in db} = 10 \log_{10} R$$

$$PFA = i/e^T$$

We define and use the following calculations where n takes integral values starting with zero.

$$F1 = R^n/(e^R n!)$$

$$F0 = T^n/(e^T n!)$$

$$F2 = (1 + T + T^2/2! + ---- T^n/n!)/e^T$$

$$\delta = (F1)(F2)$$

Each of the partial sums above is made up of two factors: the factor involving R and the factor involving T. We call the R factor "F1" and the T factor "F2." Succeeding F1 factors are obtained by multiplying the preceding F1 factor by R/n. Succeeding F2 factors are obtained by adding a new term to the preceding F2 factor; we call this additive increment "F0." Succeeding F0 increments are obtained by multiplying the preceding F0 increment by T/n.

In the program, we call the partial sums " $\delta$ " because they are additive increments to the previous sum to get the next approximation to  $P_d$ . These  $\delta$  terms can be very small for initial values of  $n$  and therefore we cannot use a simple comparison of a newly calculated  $\delta$  with a small number as a test for stopping the calculation. We compare each  $\delta$  with the previous  $\delta$  and continue as long as  $\delta$ s are increasing. When the  $\delta$ s start decreasing we terminate when we reach a  $\delta \leq 10^{-11}$  value, which goes beyond needed accuracy and can be altered if desired, although the required number of executions will not be greatly reduced.

A program for Eq. 24 in BASIC is as follows:

```
10  READ P0, R4  [where P0=PFA, R4=(S/N) in db; both given]
20  LET T= -LOG(P0) [where LOG is to base e]
30  LET R=10+.1*R4
40  LET P4=0  [where P4=Pd; to be calculated]
50  LET D1=0  [where D1= $\delta$ ; see D2 below]
60  LET M=0  [where M=n]
80  LET F1=EXP(-R)
100 LET F2=0
120 LET F0=P0
160 LET F2=F2 + F0
180 LET D2=F1*F2  [where D2= $\delta$ , D1 and D2 are succeeding values of  $\delta$ ]
200 LET P4=P4 + D2
220 LET M=M + 1
240 LET F1=(R/M)*F1
260 LET F0=(T/M)*F0
280 IF D2>D1 THEN 340
300 IF D2>1E-11 THEN 340
320 GO TO 380
340 LET D1=D2
360 GO TO 160
380 PRINT "PFA= "; P0, "S/N= "; R4, "PD= "; P4
400 GO TO 10
```

500 DATA ---- [Enter PFA, P<sub>d</sub> in pairs]  
 .  
 .  
 .  
 999 END

Finding (S/N) = R when PFA = 1/e<sup>T</sup> and P<sub>d</sub> are given can be done as follows:

Let

$$f(R) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{R^n}{e^R n!} \sum_{R=0}^n \frac{T^{n-k}}{e^T [(n-k)!]} - P_d \quad (25)$$

$$= P_d(R) - P_d$$

We wish to find the value of R that makes f(R) = 0 in Eq. 25. Taking P<sub>d</sub> and T as constants we get:

$$\frac{df(R)}{dR} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n R^{n-1}}{e^R n!} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{T^{n-k}}{e^T [(n-k)!]} - P_d(R) \quad (26)$$

$$= 1/e^R 1/e^T [0 + 1(T+1) + R(T^2/2! + T/1! + 1)$$

$$+ R^2/2!(T^3/3! + T^2/2! + T/1! + 1) \text{ ----}]$$

$$- 1/e^R 1/e^T [1 + R(T+1) + R^2/2!(T^2/2! + T/1! + 1)$$

$$+ R^3/3!(T^3/3! + T^2/2! + T/1! + 1) \text{ ----}]$$

or

$$\frac{df(R)}{dR} = 1/e^R 1/e^T \left[ T + \frac{R}{1!} \frac{T^2}{2!} + \frac{R^2}{2!} \frac{T^3}{3!} + \frac{R^3}{3!} \frac{T^4}{4!} \text{ ----} \right] \quad (27)$$

If we make an initial estimate of R = R<sub>1</sub>, we can use the Newton-Raphson iterative procedure (Eq. 28) to get succeeding approximations.

$$R_2 = R_1 - f(R_1)/f^1(R_1) \quad (28)$$

Equation 24 programmed for the H.P. 9100A follows:

Step	Key	Code	Display			Storage						
			x	y	z	f	e	d	c	b	a	
0	0 CLR	20										
0	1 STOP	41	PFA	(S/N) in db	Enter (S/N) in db and PFA							
0	2 x+()	23										
0	3 e	12										
0	4 x+()	23										
0	5 d	17										
0	6 ln x	65										
0	7 Chg. sign	32										
0	8 x+()	23										
0	9 b	14										
0	a 1	01										
0	b 0	00										
0	c +	35										
0	d ln x	65										
1	0 x	36										
1	1 +	25										
1	2 e <sup>x</sup>	74										
1	3 x+()	23										
1	4 a	13										
1	5 Chg. sign	32										
1	6 e <sup>x</sup>	74										
1	7 x+()	23										
1	8 c	16										
1	9 +	27										
1	a e	12										
1	b x	36										
1	c y+()	40										
1	d 9	11										

Step	Key	Code	Display			Storage						
			x	y	z	f	e	d	c	b	a	
2	0	l	01									
2	1	x→()	23									
2	2	f	15									
2	3	+	25									
2	4	Roll ↑	22									
2	5	+	33									
2	6	Pause	57									
2	7	Con- tinue	47									
2	8	Con- tinue	47									
2	9	↑	27									
2	a	a	13									
2	b	xzy	30									
2	c	f	15									
2	d	+	35									
3	0	c	16									
3	1	X	36									
3	2	y→()	40									
3	3	c	16									
3	4	b	14									
3	5	xzy	30									
3	6	f	15									
3	7	+	35									
3	8	d	17									
3	9	X	36									
3	a	y→()	40									
3	b	d	17									
3	c	l	01									
3	d	Acc +	60									

Step	Key	Code	Display			Storage						
			x	y	z	f	e	d	c	b	a	
4	0	c	16									
4	1	<del>x</del> y	30									
4	2	e	13									
4	3	X	36									
4	4	+	25									
4	5	+	27									
4	6	y <del>z</del> ( )	24									
4	7	9	11									
4	8	<del>x</del> y	30									
4	9	<del>x</del> IE	52									
4	a	2	02									
4	b	3	03									
4	c	Enter	26									
4	d	Exp. Chg. sign	32									
5	0	1	01									
5	1	1	01									
5	2	IF <del>x</del> y	52									
5	3	2	02									
5	4	3	03									
5	5	+	25									
5	6	+	33									
5	7	a	13									
5	8	LOG x	75									
5	9	+	27									
5	a	1	01									
5	b	0	00									
5	c	X	36									
5	d	b	14									



Step	Key	Code	Display			Storage								
			x	y	z	f	e	d	c	b	a			
6	0	Chg. sign 32												
	1	e <sup>x</sup> 74												
	2	END 46	PFA	(S/N) in db	P <sub>d</sub>	Final	display							
	3													
	4													
	5													
	6													
	7													
	8													
	9													
	a													
	b													
	c													
	d													
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The function  $f(R)$  plotted as the ordinate with  $R$  as the abscissa lies between  $f(R) = PFA - P_d$  and an upper asymptote  $f(R) = 1 - P_d$ ; at  $R = 0$ ,  $f(R) = PFA - P_d$  with a slope  $T/e^T$  (where  $1/e^T = PFA$ ) and rises, changing from concave upward to concave downward, toward its upper asymptote. Because of this shape, the repetitive use of Eq. 28 will converge only when the initial  $R_1$  has suitable values. Two programs, one in BASIC and one for the H.P. 9100A, are presented below. In the BASIC program, a rough initial estimate of  $R$  is generated. In the H.P. 9100A program, a value for  $R_1$  must be entered and changed if necessary to secure convergence. The BASIC program, as written, finds  $S/N$  in db to the nearest 0.01 db. The H.P. 9100A program presents the result following each iteration showing  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  for comparison; pressing "CONTINUE" proceeds to the next approximation so that the full accuracy of the calculator is attainable. When the two values are adequately alike, setting the flag and pressing "CONTINUE" gives a display of  $S/N$  in decibels. A separate program for the H.P. 9100A is given also to generate an initial value for  $R_1$ . The BASIC program, as given, has been run on the GE Mark I time-sharing system for a wide range of  $PFA$  and  $P_d$  values, but it operates for only a limited range of values on the GE Mark II time-sharing system on which it produces underflows that sometimes lead to divisions by zero.

#### CALCULATION OF $S/N$ WHEN $PFA$ AND $P_d$ ARE GIVEN

All alpha registers and register 9 are used for storage. If new estimate  $R_2$  diverges, insert an intermediate estimate in the  $y$  register before pressing "CONTINUE" at program step 71 (not necessary to preserve  $x$  and  $z$  displays). If  $R_2$  is negative, zero can be used as a new  $R_2$ .

Step	Key	Code	Display		EST. R	n+P <sub>d</sub>	P <sub>d</sub> (R)	f <sup>1</sup> (R)	F <sub>1</sub>	F <sub>0</sub>	T
			x	y							
0 0	CLEAR	20									
0 1	STOP	41	1 + P <sub>d</sub>	PFA	R <sub>1</sub>	Enter estimate of numerical value of S/N=R <sub>1</sub> ; probability of false alarm = PFA; one plus probability of detection (P <sub>d</sub> ) = 1 + P <sub>d</sub>					
0 2	ACC +	60									
0 3	e	12									
0 4	ln x	65									
0 5	Chg. sign	32									
0 6	x→()	23									
0 7	a	13									
0 8	+	25									
0 9	xzy	30									
0 a	Chg. sign	32									
0 b	e <sup>x</sup>	74									
0 c	x→()	23									
0 d	c	16									
1 0	y→()	40									
1 1	b	14									
1 2	x	36									
1 3	y→()	40									
1 4	9	11									
1 5	y→()	40									
1 6	e	12									
1 7	0	00									
1 8	x→()	23									
1 9	d	17									
1 a	a	13									
1 b	xzy	30									
1 c	f	15									
1 d	INT x	64									

Step	Key	Code	Display			Storage					
			x	y	z	f	e	d	c	b	a
2	0 +	35									
2	1 b	14									
2	2 X	36									
2	3 y-()	40									
2	4 b	14									
2	5 c	16									
2	6 X	36									
2	7 d	17									
2	8 xzy	30									
2	9 +	33									
2	a y-()	40									
2	b d	17									
2	c ROLL +	31									
2	d f	15									
3	0 INT x	64									
3	1 ln x	65									
3	2 Chg. sign	32									
3	3 e <sup>x</sup>	74									
3	4 xzy	30									
3	5 X	36									
3	6 ROLL +	22									
3	7 yz()	24									
3	8 9	11									
3	9 xzy	30									
3	a +	33									
3	b ROLL DOWN	31									
3	c X	36									
3	d +	25									

Step	Key	Code	Display			Storage							
			x	y	z	f	e	d	c	b	a		
4	0	+	27										
4	1	$y \rightarrow ()$	24										
4	2	9	11										
4	3	ROLL +	22										
4	4	IF $x < y$	52										
4	5	5	05										
4	6	1	01										
4	7	ENTER EXP	26										
4	8	Chg. sign	32										
4	9	1	01										
4	a	1	01										
4	b	IF $x < y$	52										
4	c	5	05										
4	d	1	01										
5	0	SET FLAG	54										
5	1	0	00										
5	2	ACC +	60										
5	3	+	25										
5	4	f	15										
5	5	INT x	64										
5	6	+	35										
5	7	c	16										
5	8	X	36										
5	9	$y \rightarrow ()$	40										
5	a	c	16										
5	b	0	00										
5	c	$x \rightarrow y$	30										
5	d	1	01										

Step	Key	Code	Display			Storage							
			x	y	z	f	e	d	c	b	a		
6.0	ACC +	60											
6.1	IF FLAG	43											
6.2	6	06											
6.3	7	07											
6.4	GO TO	44											
6.5	1	01											
6.6	a	13											
6.7	RCL	61											
6.8	-	34											
6.9	INT x	64											
6.a	+	33											
6.b	d	17											
6.c	+	35											
6.d	+	25											
7.0	-	34											
7.1	STOP	41		R <sub>2</sub>	R <sub>1</sub>	New estimate of (S/N) appears							
7.2	f	15				in y register with prior esti-							
7.3	+	27				mate in the z register. Press							
7.4	INT x	64				"CONTINUE" to go to next esti-							
7.5	-	34				mate. When R <sub>1</sub> and R <sub>2</sub> are ade-							
7.6	1	01				quately alike, manually set flag							
7.7	+	33				and press "CONTINUE" to convert							
7.8	y-()	40				to decibels: see last program							
7.9	f	15				line.							
7.a	+	25											
7.b	a	13											
7.c	Chg sign	32											
7.d	e <sup>x</sup>	74											

Step	Key	Code	Display			Storage									
			x	y	z	f	e	d	c	b	a				
8 0	IF FLAG	43													
8 1	8	10													
8 2	6	06													
8 3	GO TO ( ) ( )	44													
8 4	0	00													
8 5	9	11													
8 6	ROLL ↑	22													
8 7	LOG x	75													
8 8	ROLL ↑	22													
8 9	1	01													
6 a	0	00													
8 b	X	36													
8 c	f	15													
8 d	END	46	$1 + P_d$	(S/N) in db	PFA	Final S/N in decibels displayed									
0						in y register, $1 + P_d$ in x, and									
1						PFA in z.									
2															
3															
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b															
c															
d															

APPROXIMATION TO S/N WHEN PROBABILITY OF FALSE ALARM AND PROBABILITY OF DETECTION ARE GIVEN

This is intended only for use as a first estimate of R in Eq. 28.  
 APPROXIMATE  $R = \sqrt{T (\sqrt{T + 2\sqrt{2(2P_d - 1)}} + 8 P_d(P_d - 1) + 1.5}$

Step	Key	Code	Display			Storage						
			x	y	z	f	e	d	c	b	a	
0 0	CLEAR	20										
0 1	STOP	41	PFA	$P_d$	Enter PFA and $P_d$							
0 2	In x	65										
0 3	Chg. sign	32										
0 4	$\sqrt{x}$	76										
0 5	ACC +	60										
0 6	2	02										
0 7	X	36										
0 8	+	27										
0 9	$\sqrt{x}$	76										
0 a	X	36										
0 b	1	01										
0 c	ROLL UP	22										
0 d	xzy	30										
1 0	-	34										
1 1	+	25										
1 2	X	36										
1 3	f	15										
1 4	+	33										
1 5	X	36										
1 6	1	01										
1 7	.	21										
1 8	5	05										
1 9	+	33										
1 a	e	12										
1 b	+	27										
1 c	1	01										
1 d	-	34										



Step	Key	Code	Display			Storage													
			x	y	z	f	e	d	c	b	a								
2	0	8	10																
2	1	X	36																
2	2	e	12																
2	3	X	36																
2	4	v	25																
2	5	+	33																
2	6	END	46		ESTIMATED R					Read estimated R in y display									
	7																		
	8																		
	9																		
	a																		
	b																		
	c																		
	d																		
	0																		
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	c																		
	d																		

A program in BASIC for Eq. 28 is as follows:

```
10 PRINT "PFA," "PD," "(S/N), DB"
15 PRINT
20 READ P0, F4
25 IF P0 = P4 THEN 365
30 IF P0 > P4 THEN 378
35 LET T = -LOG(P0)
40 LET RI = T + SQR (8*T)*(2 P4 -1) + 8* P4*(P4 - 1) + 1.5
49 LET R2 = RI
50 IF RI > 0 THEN 70
60 LET RI = (P4/P0 - 1)/T
70 LET N = 1
75 LET F = 0
80 LET F0 = P0
90 LET F1 = EXP(-RI)
100 LET S = 0
110 LET D1 = 0
120 LET D = F1*P0
130 LET P = D
140 LET F0 = (T/N)*F0
150 LET S0 = F1*F0
160 LET S = S + S0
170 LET D = (RI/N)*(S0 + D)
180 IF D1 < D THEN 210
190 IF 1E-11 < D THEN 210
200 LET F = 1
210 LET D1 = D
220 LET P = P + D
230 LET F1 = (RI/N)*F1
240 LET N = N + 1
250 IF F = 1 THEN 265
260 GO TO 140
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265 LET R0 = (P4 -P)/S
280 IF ABS(R0) < 10 THEN 300
290 LET R0 = 10*(R0/ABS(R0))
300 LET R = R1 + R0
310 IF R > 0 THEN 330
320 LET R1 = R1/2
325 GO TO 70
330 IF ABS (LOG(R/R1)) < = .00115 THEN 360
340 LET R1 = R
350 GO TO 70
360 PRINT P0, P4, INT(1000 * (LOG(R)/LOG(10)) + .5)/100
361 PRINT R2, R
362 GO TO 15
365 PRINT
370 PRINT P0, P4, "NO SIGNAL"
375 GO TO 15
378 PRINT
380 PRINT P0, P4, "PD < PFA"
385 GO TO 15
500 DATA PFA, Pd, ---- PFA, Pd, ETC.
999 END
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#### CONCLUSIONS

These programs have proven useful in evaluating radar data acquired using pulse height analysis.

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