

# Ultrasonic Testing Formula Sheet

## General UT Equations

Wavelength	$= V / F$
Near Field	$= (D^2 \times F) / (4 \times V)$
Half Angle Beam Spread	$= (K \times V) / (D \times F)$
Snell's Law	$(\sin \theta_1 / \sin \theta_2) = (V_1 / V_2)$
Amplitude to dB	$\text{dB} = 20 \times \text{Log}(A_2 / A_1)$
Acoustic Impedance (Z)	$= \rho \times V$
Impedance Ratio	$= Z_2 / Z_1$
Reflected Energy (%)	$= [(Z_2 - Z_1)^2 / (Z_2 + Z_1)^2] \times 100$
V - Path	$= (2 \times \text{w.t.}) / \text{Cos}(\theta)$
Skip Distance	$= 2 \times \text{w.t.} \times \text{Tan}(\theta)$
Period	$= 1 / F$
Pulse Interval	$= 1 / \text{Pulse Repetition Rate}$
Circumference of Circle	$= \pi \times \text{Diameter}$
Pythagorean Theorem	$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$
Distance	$V \times \text{Time}$
Inches to Millimeters	Multiply times 25.4

## Symbols

F	Frequency
$\lambda$	Wavelength
D	Diameter
$\theta$	Angle
dB	Decibels
A	Amplitude
$\rho$	Density
V	Velocity
Z	Impedance
w.t.	Wall Thickness
a, b, c	Side lengths of triangle

## Ultrasonic Pneumonic Aid

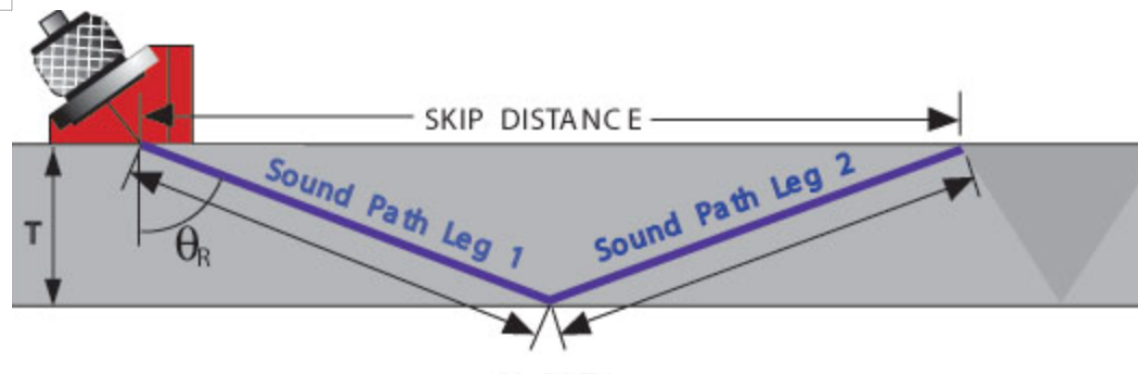
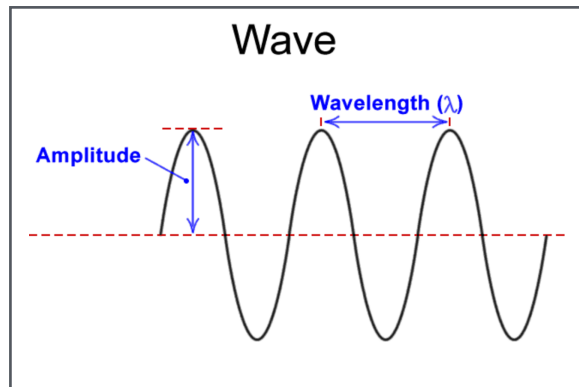
↑	<b>F</b>	Frequency
↓	<b>P</b>	Penetration
↑	<b>A</b>	Attenuation
↓	<b>D</b>	Divergence
↑	<b>S</b>	Sensitivity
↓	<b>C</b>	Crystal Thickness
↑	<b>R</b>	Resolution
↓	<b>Y</b>	Wavelength
↑	<b>N</b>	Near Field Distance

## SI Units

Mega	$10^6$	1000000
Kilo	$10^3$	1000
Centi	$10^1$	10
1	1	1
milli	$10^{-3}$	0.001

## Beam Spread Constants

K	dB
1.22	0
1.09	-20
0.93	-12
0.87	-10
0.7	-6
0.51	-3



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## Acoustic Properties Of Materials

Material	Ultrasonic Velocity				Impedance <i>Z</i>	Material	Ultrasonic Velocity				Impedance <i>Z</i>
	Longitudinal (Compression)		Transverse (Shear)				Longitudinal (Compression)		Transverse (Shear)		
	<i>mm/us</i>	<i>in/us</i>	<i>mm/us</i>	<i>in/us</i>			<i>mm/us</i>	<i>in/us</i>	<i>mm/us</i>	<i>in/us</i>	
<b>METALS</b>						Phenolic	1.422	0.056			1.9
Aluminium 1100-0	6.229	0.248	3.073	0.121	17.1	Polycarbonate	2.286	0.09			2.71
Aluminium 2024-T4	6.375	0.251	3.15	0.124	17.6	Polyethylene	2.667	0.105			2.94
Aluminium 6061-T6	6.299	0.248	3.15	0.124	17	Polystyrene	2.388	0.094	1.143	0.045	2.52
Beryllium	12.878	0.507	8.89	0.35	23.5	Rubber	1.549	0.061			1.74
Brass	4.369	0.172	2.108	0.083	37.1	Silicone	0.94	0.037			1.4
Bronze	3.531	0.139	2.235	0.088	31.3	Teflon	1.372	0.054	6.35	0.25	3
Copper	4.75	0.187	2.337	0.092	42.5	<b>COMPOSITES</b>					
Gold	3.251	0.128	1.194	0.047	62.6	Fiberglass	3.15	0.124	1.727	0.068	6.04
Inconel	7.823	0.308	3.023	0.119	64.5	Graphite/Epoxy	2.972	0.117	1.956	0.077	4.65
Iron - Cast	3.505-5.588	0.138-0.220	2.210-3.200	0.087-0.126	24.3-41.2	Boron/Epoxy	3.327	0.131	1.829	0.072	6.38
Lead	2.159	0.085	0.813	0.032	23.5	<b>OTHER SOLIDS</b>					
Magnesium	5.461-5.791	0.215-0.228	3.023-3.099	0.119-0.122	9.24-10.6	Alumina (Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> )	10.846	0.427			43.1
Monel	5.359	0.211	2.718	0.107	47.2	Concrete	4.242-5.258	0.167-0.207	3.429	0.135	12.4
Nickel	5.639	0.222	2.972	0.117	50	Glass	5.766	0.227			14.5
Silver	3.607	0.142	1.6	0.063	37.8	Granite	3.962	0.156	1.93	0.076	10.9
Steel	5.93	0.233	3.251	0.128	45.4	Tungsten Carbide	6.655	0.262			67.6
Titanium	6.172	0.243	3.302	0.13	27.3	<b>LIQUIDS</b>					
Zircaloy	4.724	0.186	2.362	0.093	44.2	Ethylene Glycol	1.626	0.064			1.8
Zirconium	4.648	0.183	2.261	0.089	30.1	Glycerin	1.93	0.076			2.42
<b>POLYMERS</b>						Oil	1.753	0.069			1.51
Acrylics	2.667-2.769	0.105-0.109	1.118-1.448	0.044-0.057	3.15-3.51	Water	1.473	0.058			1.48
Cellulose Acetate	2.438	0.096			3.19	<b>Gases</b>					
Nylon	2.692	0.016				Air	0.356	0.014			0.00041