



# DTTB Transmission Power Basics

*This presentation seeks to explain the aspects of both PAL analogue and Digital TV broadcasting relating to transmission power.*

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# Analogue TV

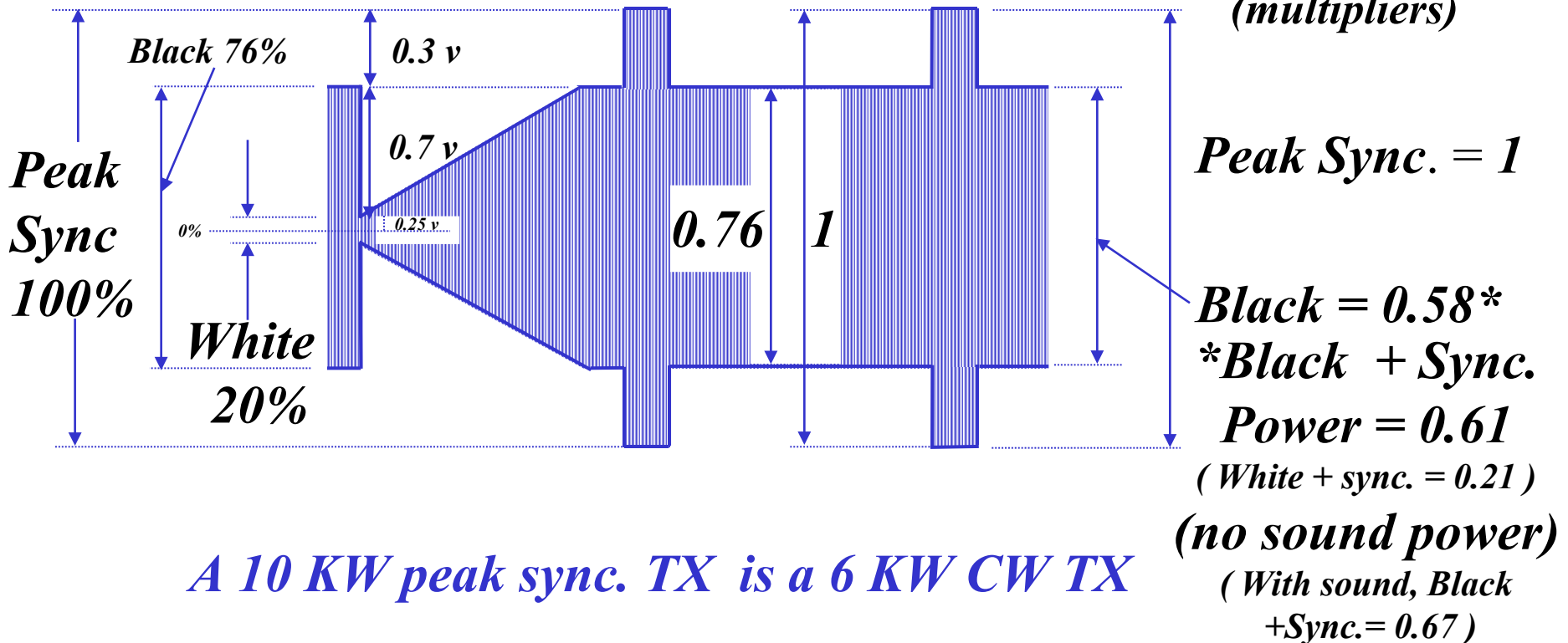


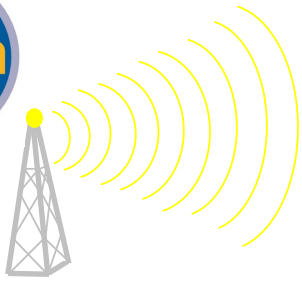
## Modulation

## Video

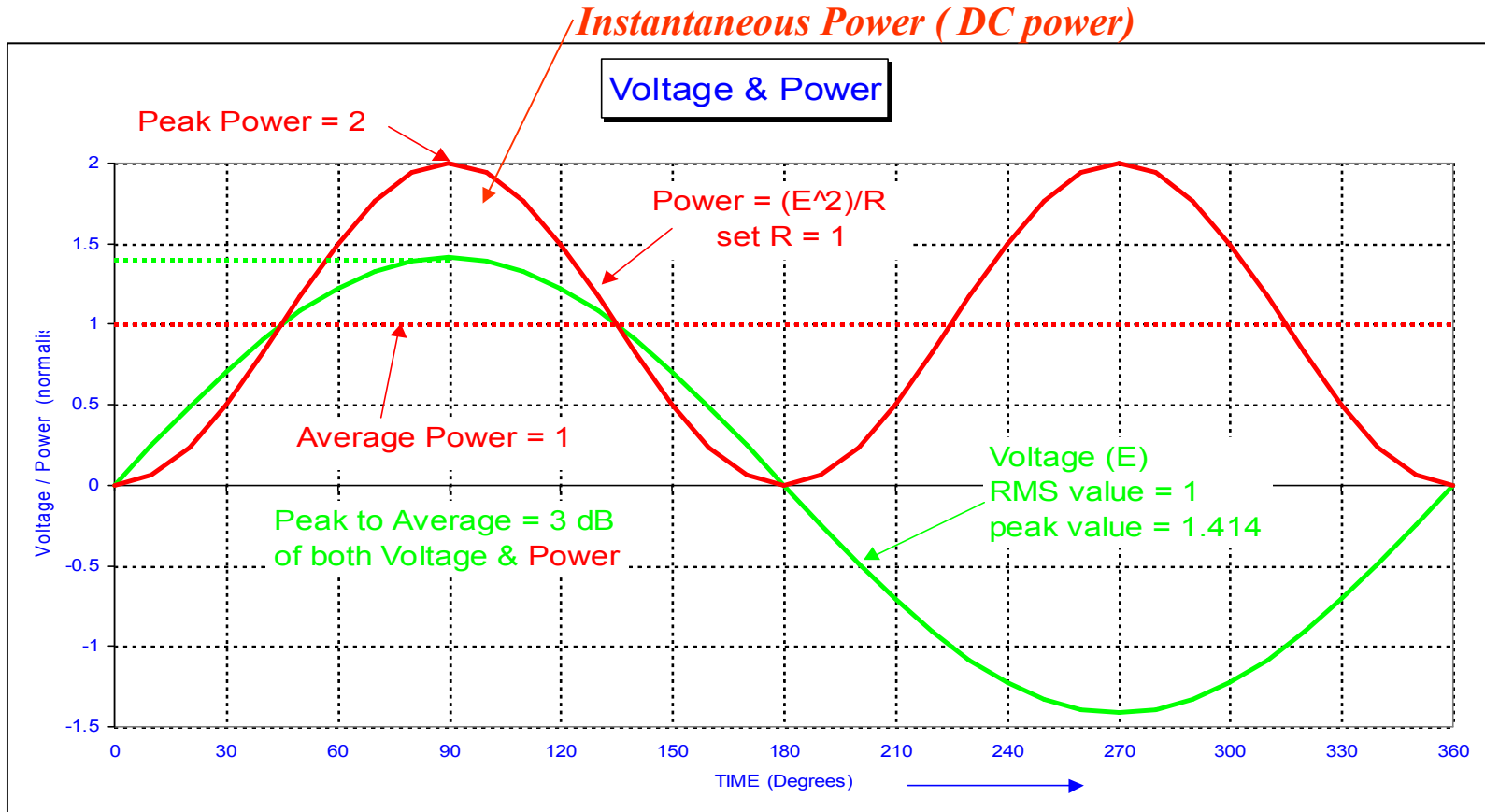
## Voltage

## Power (multipliers)

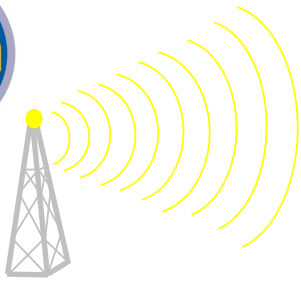




# RMS Voltage to Average Power

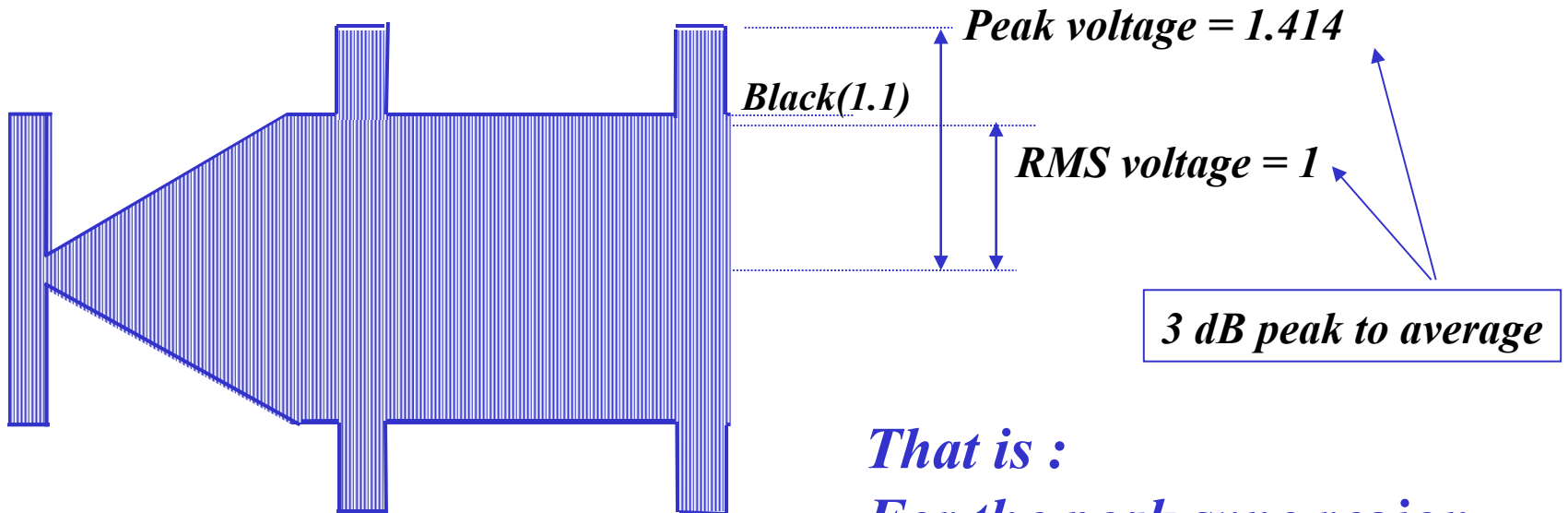


***The RMS voltage equals the equivalent DC voltage required to provide the same heating or average power when applied to a resistive load.***

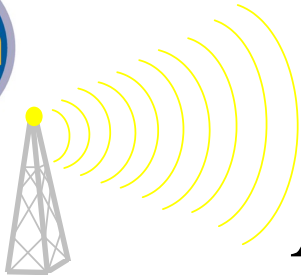


# Analogue TV

## Peak & RMS Voltage



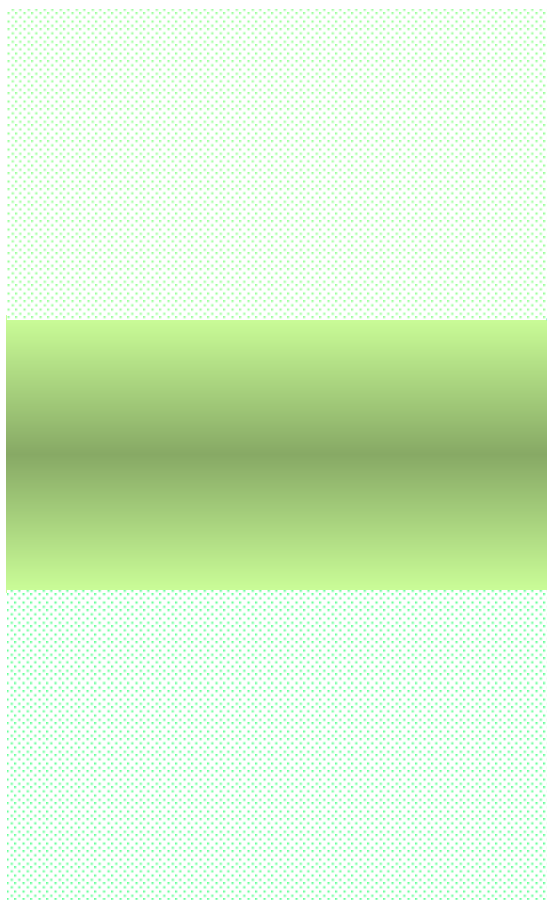
*That is :*  
*For the peak sync region*  
*the “peak to average” ratio,*  
*like a Sine Wave, is 3 dB and*  
*applies to voltage & power.*



# COFDM



## Amplitude Distribution



( CDF = 99.99% )

**Peak voltage = 3 (9.5dB) - COFDM**

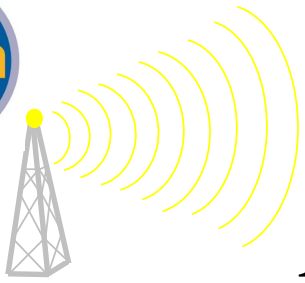
( for CDF = 95% peak voltage = 1.7 (4.7dB) )

( “CDF” - Cumulative Distribution Function )

**RMS voltage = 1 (0dB)**

**9.5 dB peak to average**

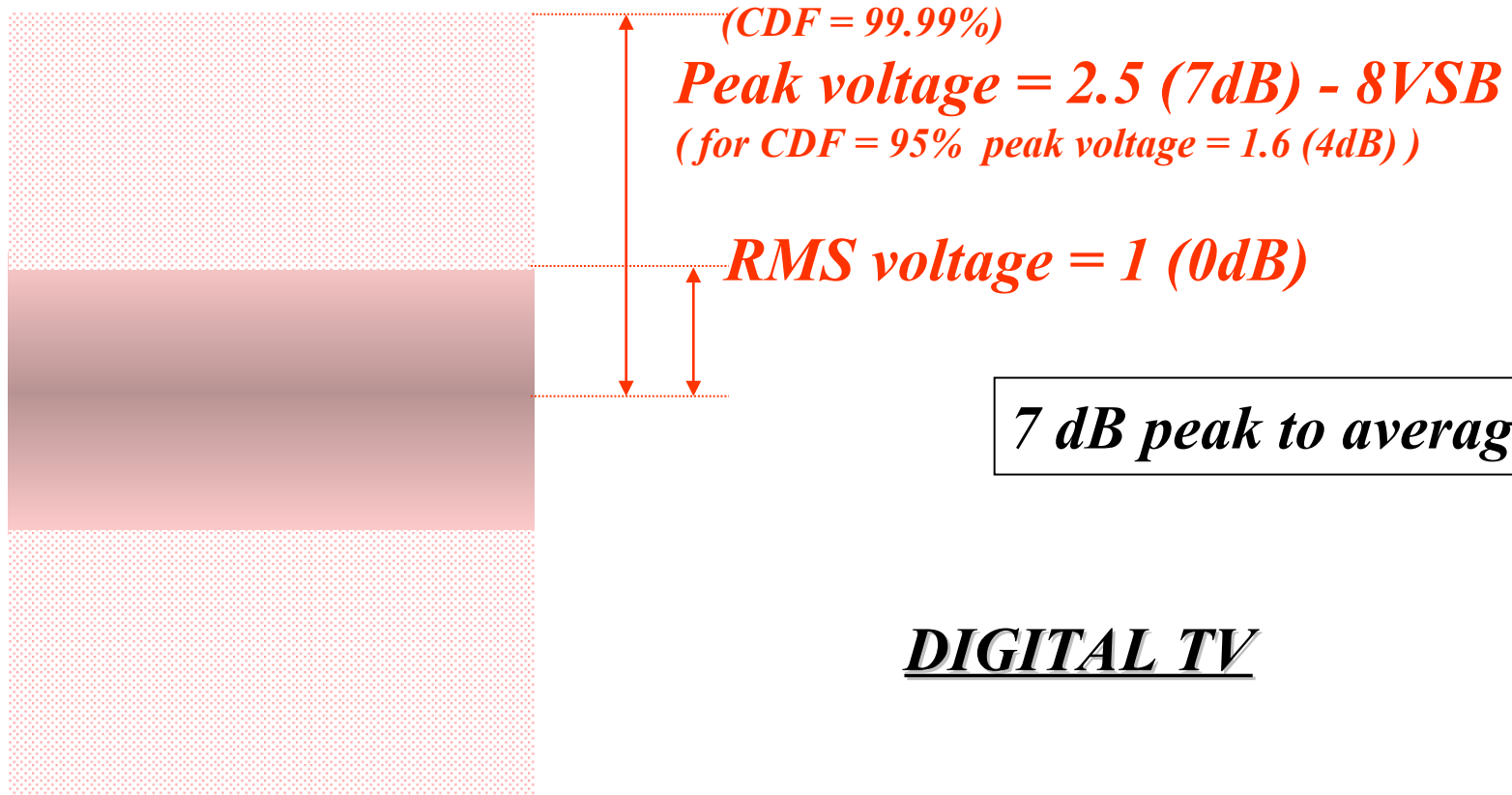
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# 8-VSB



## Amplitude Distribution



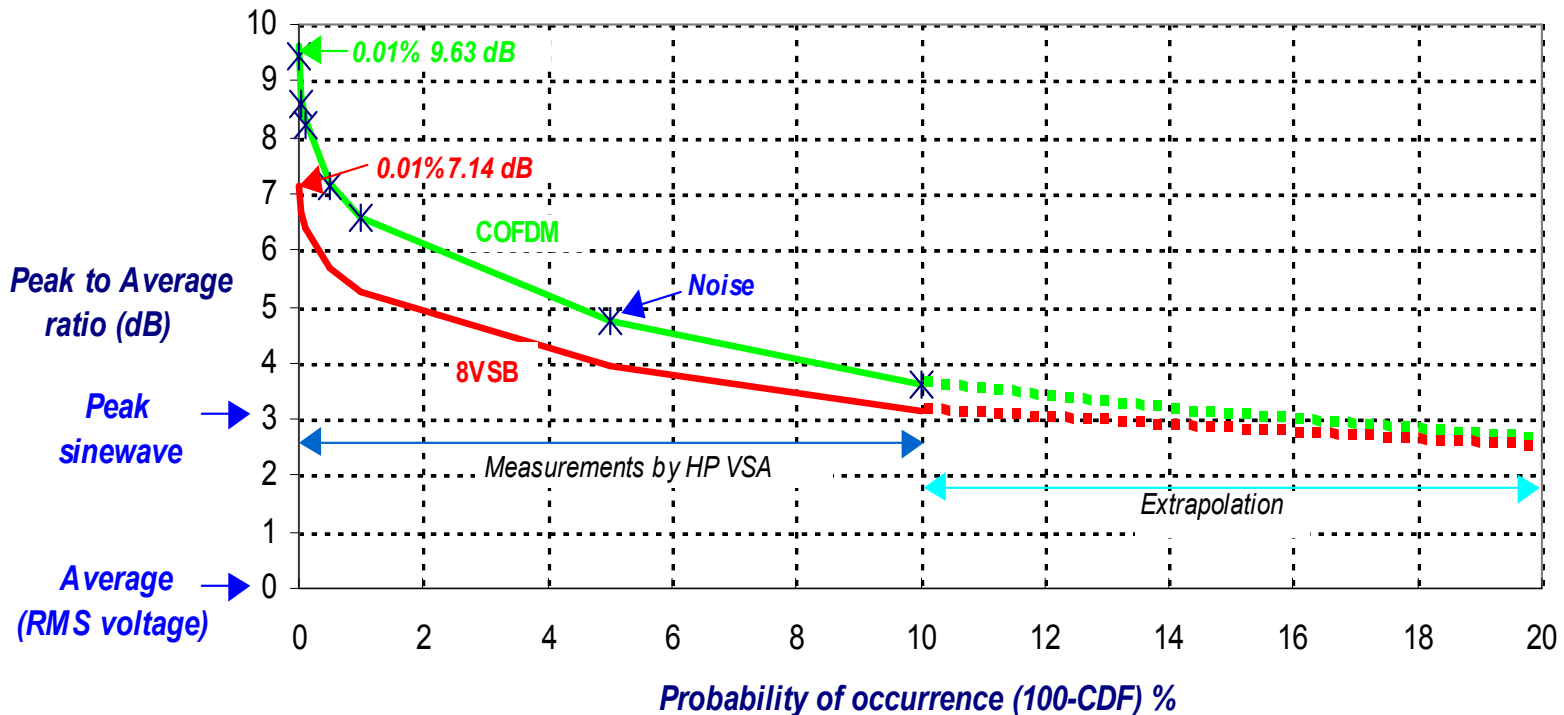
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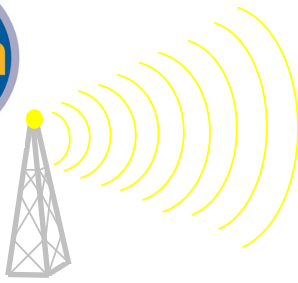


# DTTB Peak Amplitude Distribution



## Peak Amplitude Distribution for COFDM and 8VSB DTTB Systems



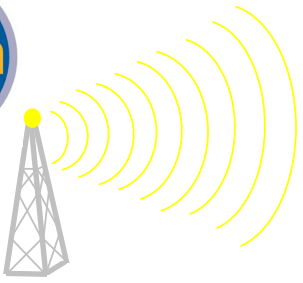


# DTTB Transmission Some Questions



- *Some questions to be answered :*
  - *What is the relationship between the allowed level of the peaks, to the impairment(s) in the digital transmission ?*
  - *What is the minimum level of Peaks required ?*
    - *For the Main Transmitter (and feeders, antenna systems)*
    - *For a Translator*
    - *For the Receiver*
  - *Should the level of peaks, be the choice of the system designer ?*





# Peak to Average Summary



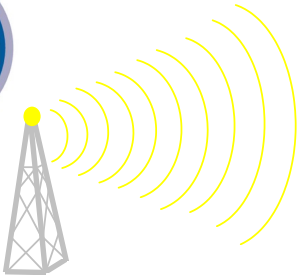
## Summary :

### Peak to Average

*Analogue :*                      *3 dB*

*Digital - COFDM :*    *9.5 dB*

*Digital - 8VSB :*            *7 dB*



# DTTB Peak Power



**Peak Power : (Equivalent DC power)**

**Peak to Average**

**Peak power for 10KW av.**

***Analogue :***

***3 dB***

***20 KW instantaneous***

***Digital - COFDM :*** ***9.5 dB***

***90 KW instantaneous***

***Digital - 8VSB :***

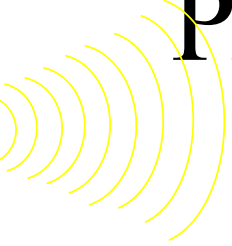
***7 dB***

***50 KW instantaneous***

***( Noise***

***9.5 dB***

***90 KW instantaneous )***



# PAL-DTTB @ -10 dB

## Relative Power



Relative Power : for DTTB to PAL ratio = -10 dB

Peak to Average

Ratio

Peak Power

( DTTB to PAL) (ref. Analogue peak sync.  
“peak power”)

*Analogue :*

*3 dB*

*0 dB*

*0 dB*

*Digital - COFDM :* *9.5 dB*

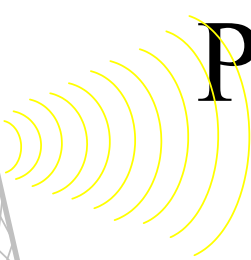
*-10 dB*

*-3.5 dB*

*Digital - 8VSB :* *7 dB*

*-10 dB*

*-6 dB*



# PAL-DTTB @ -10 dB

## Relative Levels



Relative Levels for *PAL/DTTB Ratio = -10 dB*

*Peak* {  
*3dB* .....

*Average 0dB* .....

*Analogue  
(Peak Sync.)*

*-0.5dB* .....

*-3dB* .....

*-10dB* .....

*-10dB* .....

*COFDM*

*8VSB*



# PAL-DTTB @ -10 dB

## Transmitter Power



Transmitter Power for *PAL/DTTB Ratio = -10 dB*

*Peak* {  
*3dB* .....

*Average 0dB* 6 KW<sub>(CW)</sub>

*Analogue  
(Peak Sync.)  
10 KW*

*-0.5dB* .....

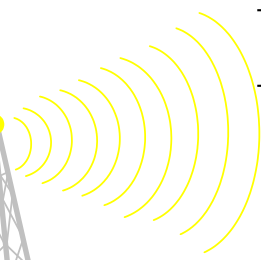
*-3dB* .....

*-10dB* 1 KW

*-10dB* 1 KW

*COFDM*

*8VSB*

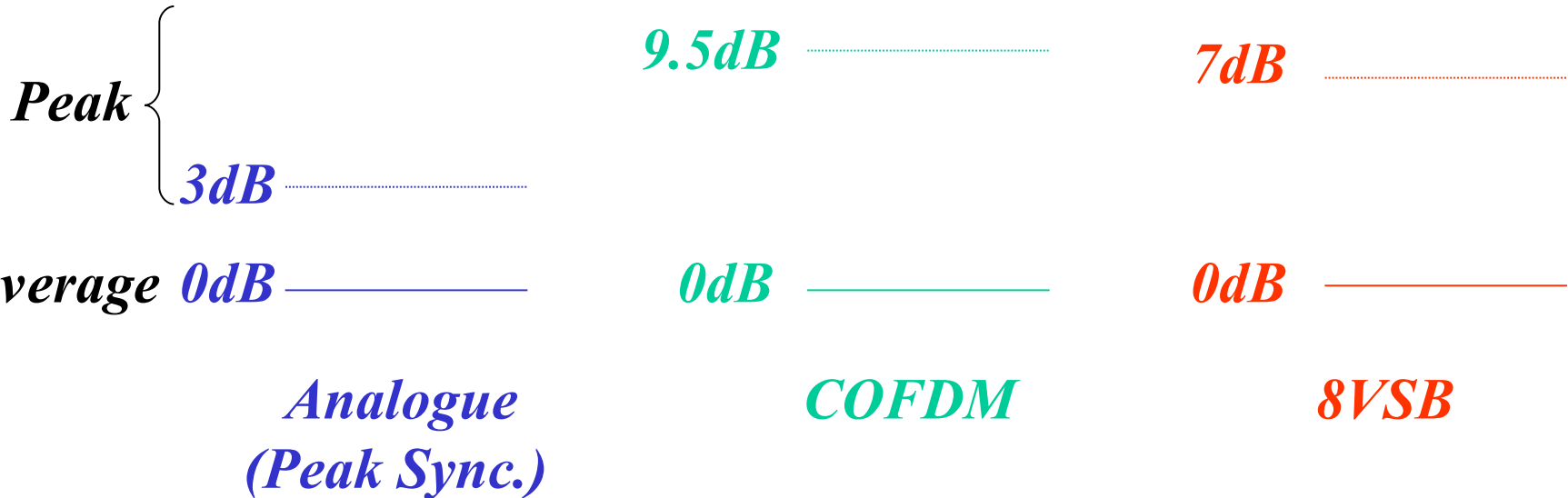


# PAL-DTTB @ 0 dB

## Relative Levels



Relative Levels for *PAL/DTTB Ratio = 0 dB*





# PAL-DTTB @ 0 dB Transmitter Power



Transmitter Power for *PAL/DTTB Ratio = 0 dB*

*Peak* {  
3dB

9.5dB

7dB

*Average* 0dB 6 KW<sub>(CW)</sub>

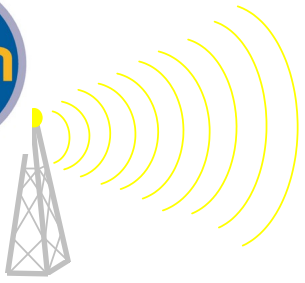
0dB 10 KW

0dB 10 KW

*Analogue  
(Peak Sync.)  
10 KW*

*COFDM*

*8VSB*



# DTTB Transmission Characteristics



- DTTB Transmitters are characterised by :
  - *the average power capacity*
  - *the peak power (or really peak voltage) capacity*
  - *the intrinsic linearity without correction*
- For an Analogue Tx used for a DTTB Tx :
  - *a “10 KW ”peak sync. Tx could potentially be a :*
    - *a 2 KW COFDM DTTB Transmitter*
    - *a 4 KW 8VSB DTTB Transmitter - the intrinsic linearity would reduce this rating.*



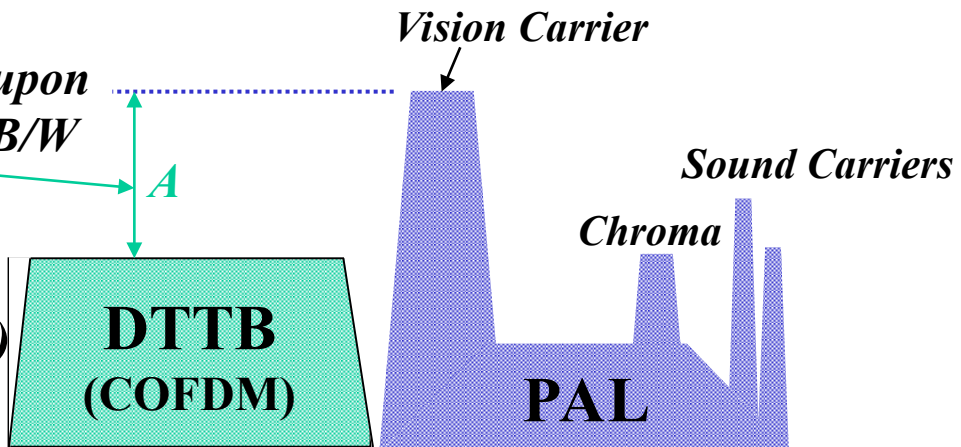


# COFDM - PAL

## Spectrum Analyser Display

### Spectrum Analyser display :

*Dependent upon Resolution B/W setting.*



*eg. If Res. B/W = 300KHz*  
*"A" =  $D + 10\text{Log} (6.6 / 0.3)$*   
*= 23.5 dB*

***D = DTTB to PAL ratio ( eg D = 10 dB )***

*DTTB power = average heating power*

*PAL power = the equivalent CW power of peak sync Vision Carrier power*

*Note : It is usually less than this value as resolution B/W shape collects more power than the ideal rectangular filter. When Res. B/W approaches or is less than the separation between the carriers of COFDM :*  
 *$A = D + 10\text{Log} (\text{No. of Carriers})$*



# 8-VSB - PAL

## Spectrum Analyser Display

### Spectrum Analyser display :

*Dependent upon Resolution B/W setting.*

$D + 11.3 \text{ dB}$

*Vision Carrier*

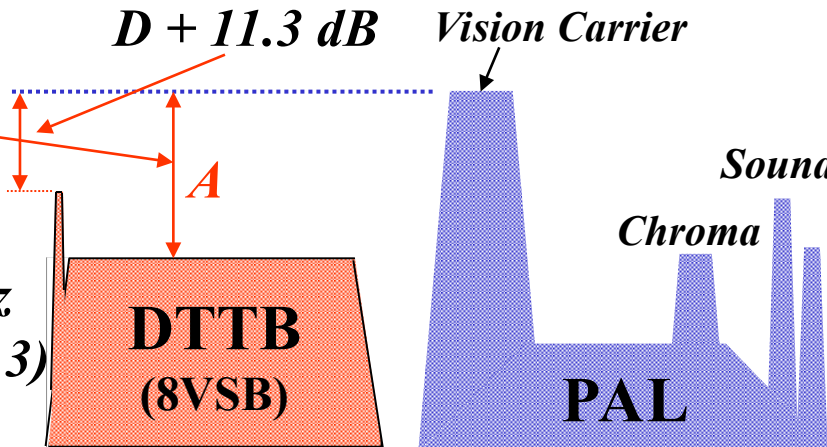
*Sound Carriers*

*Chroma*

**DTTB**  
(8VSB)

**PAL**

*eg. If Res. B/W = 300KHz*  
*"A" =  $D + 10 \text{Log} (5.4 / 0.3)$*   
*= 22.5 dB*



**$D = \text{DTTB to PAL ratio ( eg } D = 10 \text{ dB )}$**

*DTTB power = average heating power*

*PAL power = the equivalent CW power of peak sync Vision Carrier power*

*Note : It is usually less than this value as resolution B/W shape collects more power than the ideal rectangular filter. Also the peak to average character modifies this value.*