

UNITS (NON-METRIC)

1 NAUTICAL MILE = 1852 M

= 6074 FT.APP

SPEED IN KNOTS = NAUTICAL MILES/HR

1 YARD = 0.9144 m

UNIT FOR MEASURING DEPTH

1 FATHOM = 6 FT

= 1.8288M

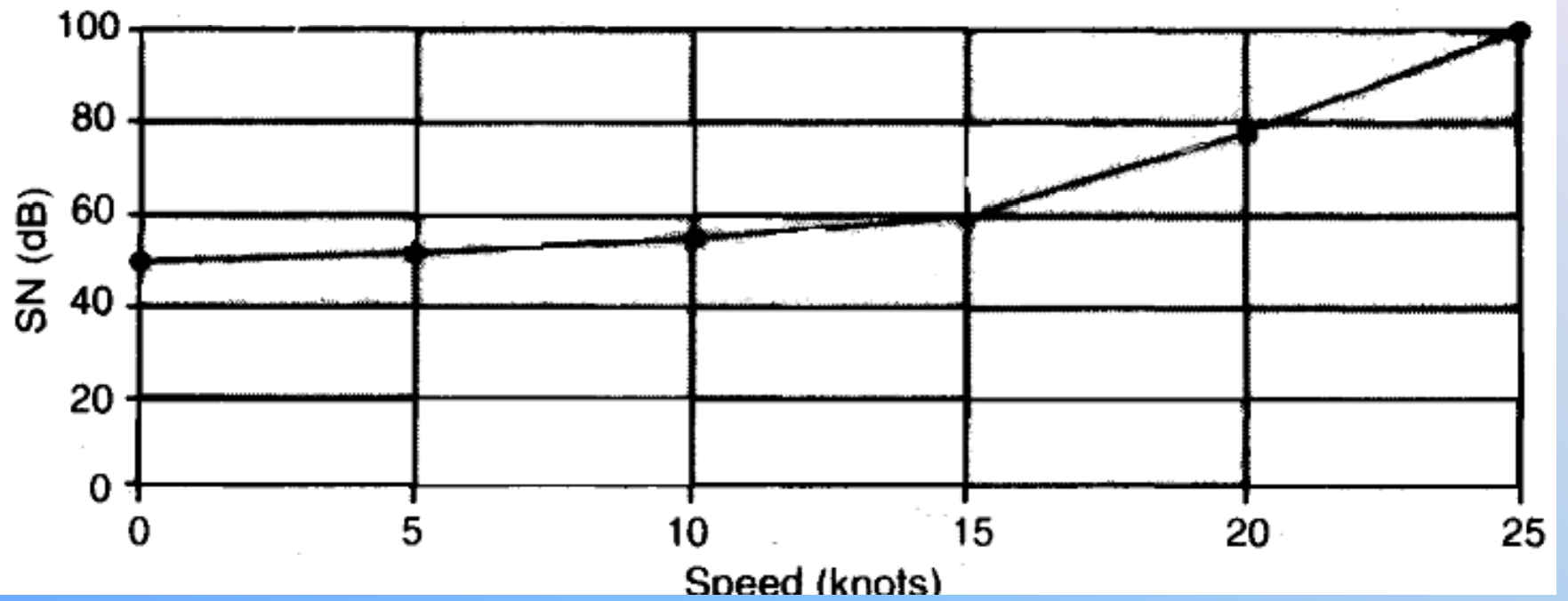
- **AMBIENT NOISE(AN) = SEA STATE+SHIPPING LEVEL+SEA LIFE**

WIND SPEED(KNOTS)

SEA STATE

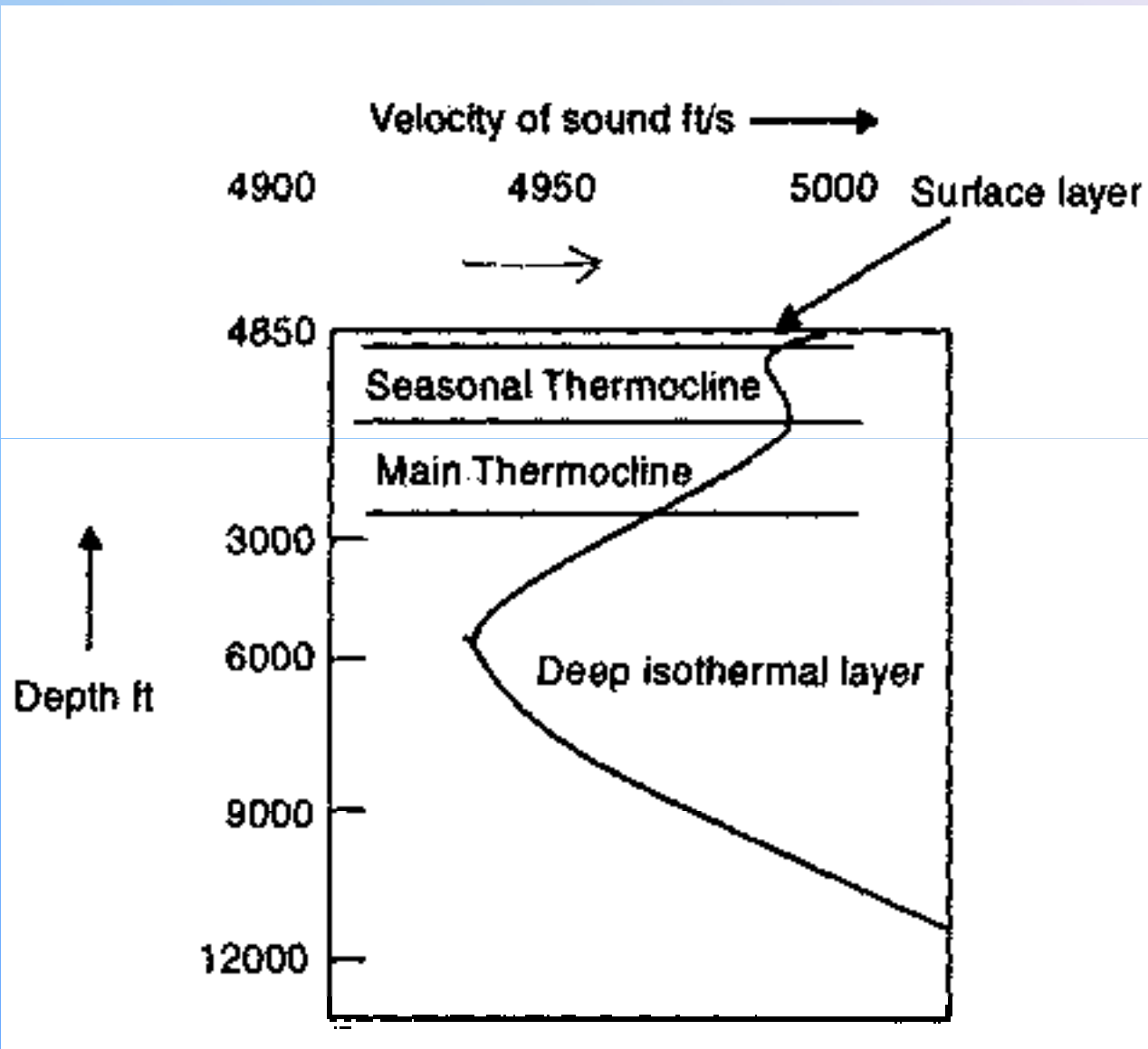
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22 – 27	5
28 – 47	6
48 – 55	7
56 – 63	8
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Self-noise at 1000 Hz



THREE TYPES OF ACTIVE SONAR SYSTEM

- **MONOSTATIC** –SOURCE & RECEIVERS ARE LOCATED ON THE SAME PLATFORM
- **BISTATIC** –TRANSMITTER & RECEIVERS ARE ON DIFFERENT PLATFORMS
- **MULTI-STATIC** –ONE OR MORE TRANSMITTERS AND MULTIPLE RECEIVERS ARE LOCATED ON DIFFERENT PLATFORMS.



SONAR TRANSDUCER

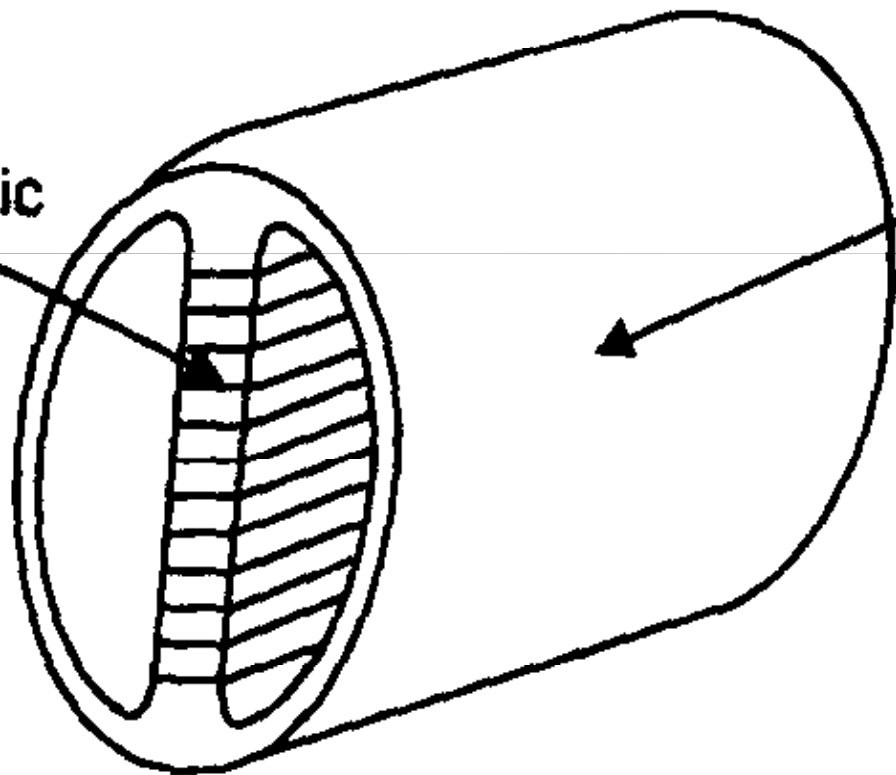
-IT IS SONAR UNIT'S ANTEENA

-IT CONVERTS ELECTRICAL ENERGY FROM TX TO HIGH FREQ SOUND.

-ON RECEPTION OF SOUND ECHO,IT CONVERTS THE SOUND BACK TO ELECTRICAL ENERGY, WHICH IS SENT TO THE RECEIVER.

-THE FREQ OF TRANSDUCER MUST BE THE SONAR UNIT'S FREQUENCY.

**Ceramic
Stack**



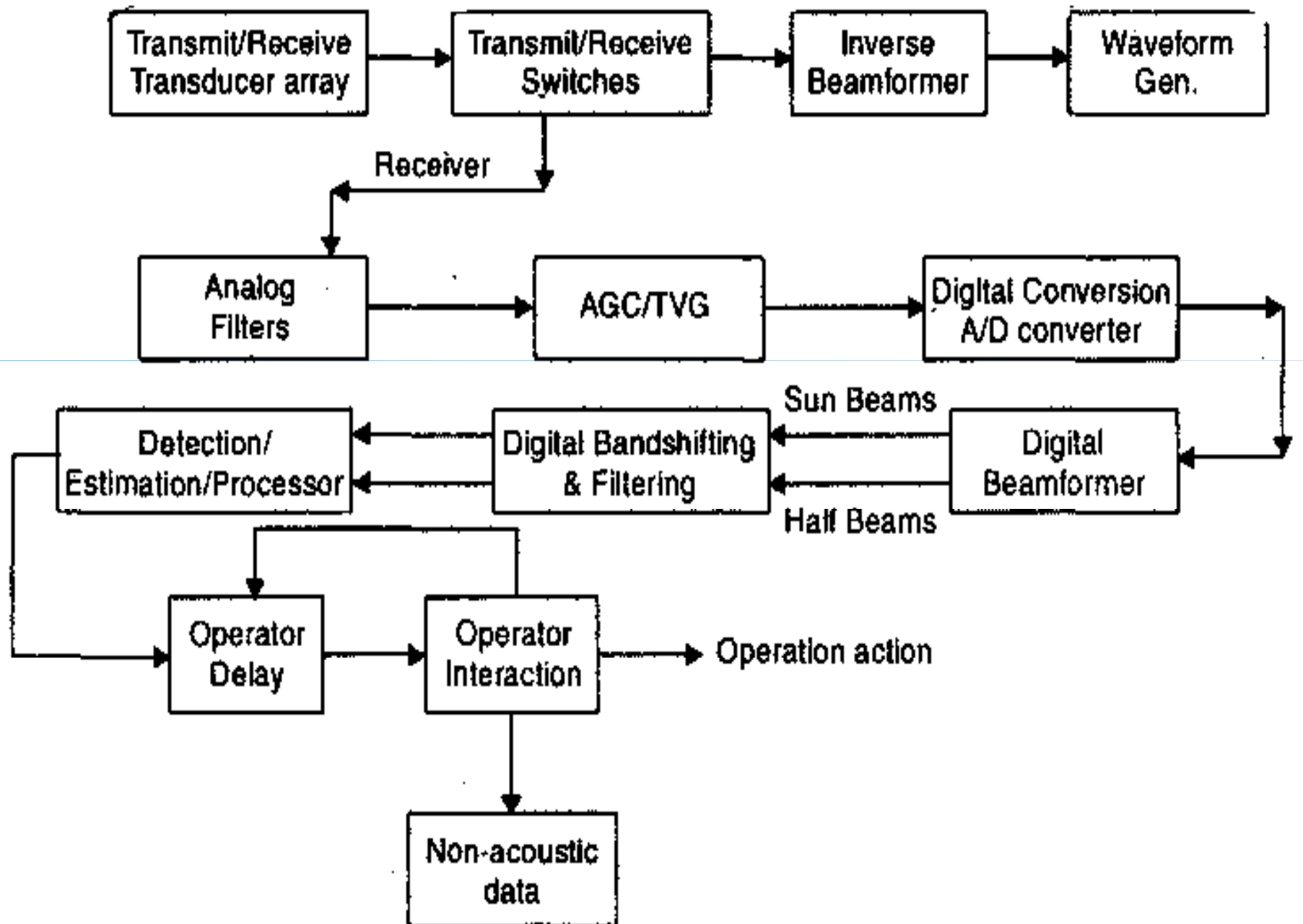
**Aluminum
Elliptical
Shell**

SONAR TRANSDUCER

- TRANSDUCER MUST BE VERY EFFICIENT. IT MUST WITHSTAND HIGH TX POWER IMPULSES, CONVERTING MAX. OF THE IMPULSE TO SOUND ENERGY
- AT THE SAMETIME ,IT MUST BE SENSITIVE ENOUGH TO RECEIVE THE SMALLEST OF ECHOES.
- THE ACTIVE ELEMENT IN A TRANSDUCER IS A MAN –MADE CRYSTAL (BARIUM TITANATE)

SONAR TRANSDUCER

- EXAMPLE-A 192 KHZ, 20° CONE ANGLE CRYSTAL IS APP. ONE INCH IN DIA; WHEREAS A 8° CONE REQUIRES A CRYSTAL OF ABOUT 2 INCH DIA.



SONAR-BLOCK DGM

- **INVERSE BEAMFORMER**-APPLIES TIME DELAYS OR PHASE SHIFTS TO EACH SIGNAL SO AS TO CREATE A NARROW BEAM IN A PARTICULAR DIRECTION
- A SEPARATE PROJECTOR IS USED TO TRANSMIT EACH OF THE DELAYED SIGNALS BY TRANSFORMING THE ELECT SIGNAL INTO AN ACOUSTIC WAVE

SONAR-BLOCK DGM(contd)

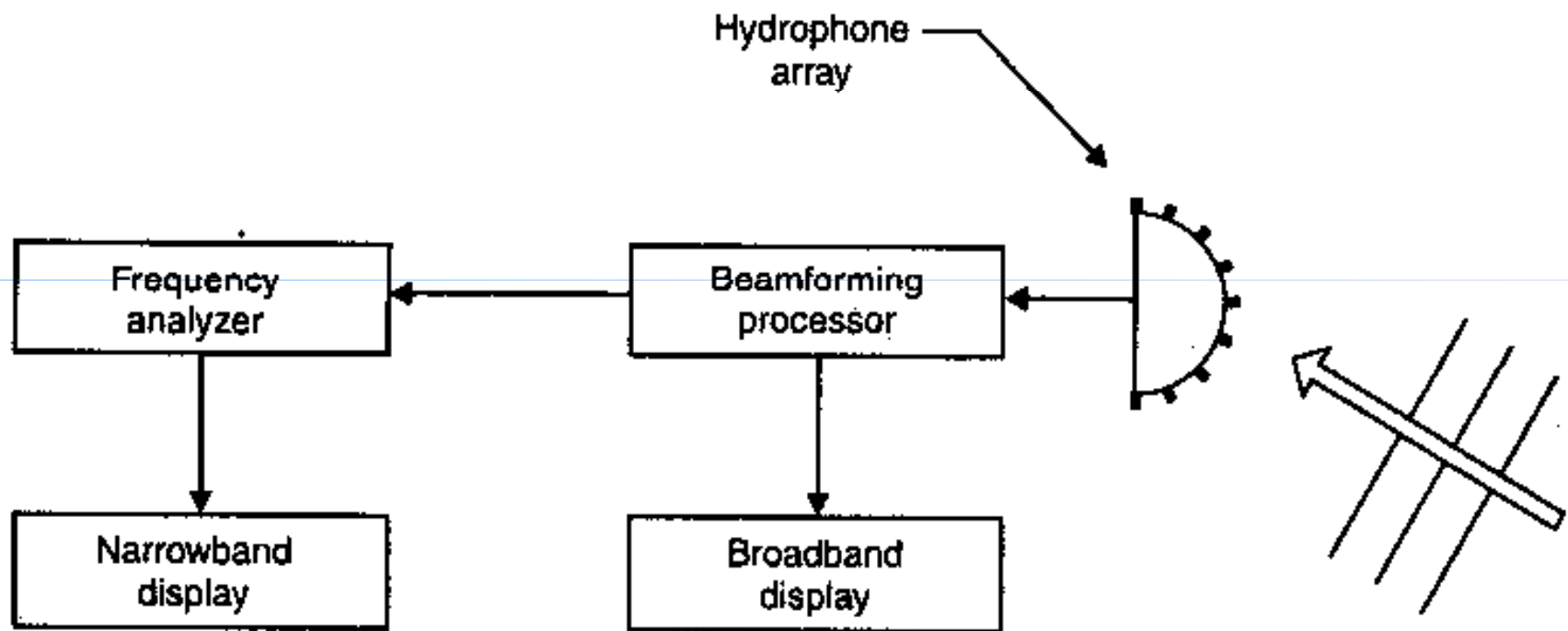
- **AT THE RX END THE ACOUSTIC WAVE IS CONVERTED BACK TO ELECT SIGNAL**
- TVG/AGC IS USED TO AMPLIFY OR ATTENUATE THE SIGNAL
- DIGITAL BEAM FORMER COMBINES THE O/Ps OF INDIVIDUAL DIGITAL SENSORS TO FORM A SET OF BEAMS.
- **EACH BEAM REPRESENTS A DIFFERENT SEARCH DIRECTION**

SONAR-BLOCK DGM(contd)

- THE BEAM O/P IS FURTHER PROCESSED (BANDSHIFTING/FILTERING etc) TO DETECT,CLASSIFY AND LOCALISE THE TARGETS
- THIS DATA IS DISPLAYED ALONGWITH OTHER NONACOUSTIC DATA TO THE OPERATOR FOR MAKING THE FINAL DECISION

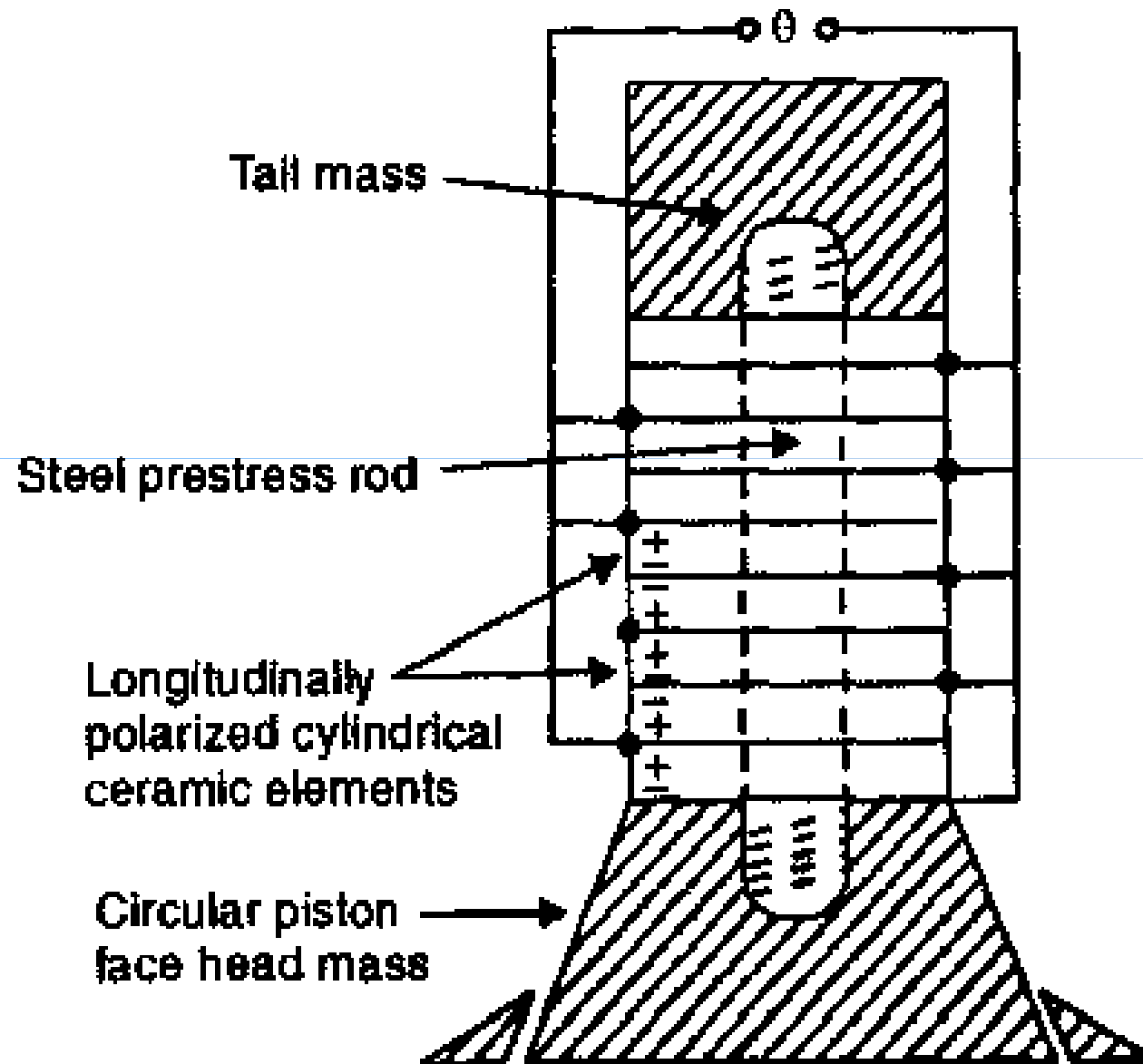
PASSIVE SONAR

- IN PASSIVE SONAR, THE TARGET ACTS AS THE SOURCE
- HYDROPHONE ARRAY ARE THE SENSITIVE ELEMENTS TO DETECT ACOUSTIC ENERGY EMITTED FROM THE TARGET
- BEAM FORMING PROCESSOR IS USED TO BREAK DOWN THE FIELD-OF-VIEW INTO INDIVIDUAL BEAMS IN THE VERTICAL AND AZIMUTH DIRECTIONS



SONAR PROJECTOR(TRANSMITTER)

- A SONAR PROJECTOR IS A TRANSDUCER DESIGNED PRINCIPALLY FOR TRANSMISSION.
- MOST SONAR PROJECTORS ARE OF TONPILZ (SOUND MUSHROOM) DESIGN, WITH THE PIEZOELECTRIC MATERIAL SANDWITCHED BETWEEN A HEAD AND A TAIL MASS.
- **PROJECTOR IS $\lambda/2$ LONG AT ITS RESONANCE FREQUENCY.**

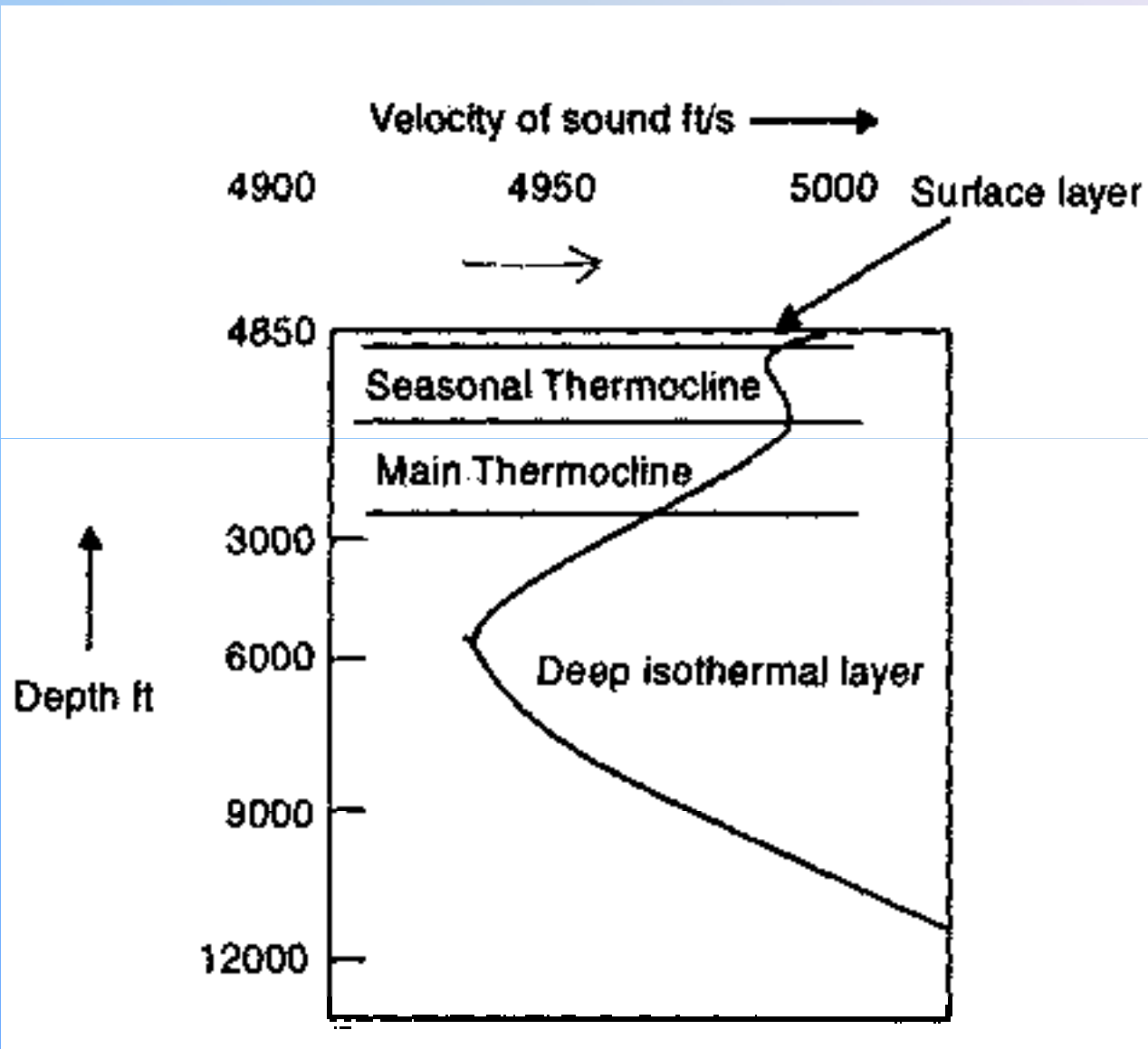


SONAR PROJECTOR(contd)

- PIEZOELECTRIC MATERIAL IS A DIELECTRIC AND ACTS AS A CAPACITOR
- THE TONPILZ RESONATOR IS HOUSED IN A WATER –TIGHT CASE SO THAT IT CAN FREELY VIBRATE WHEN EXCITED.

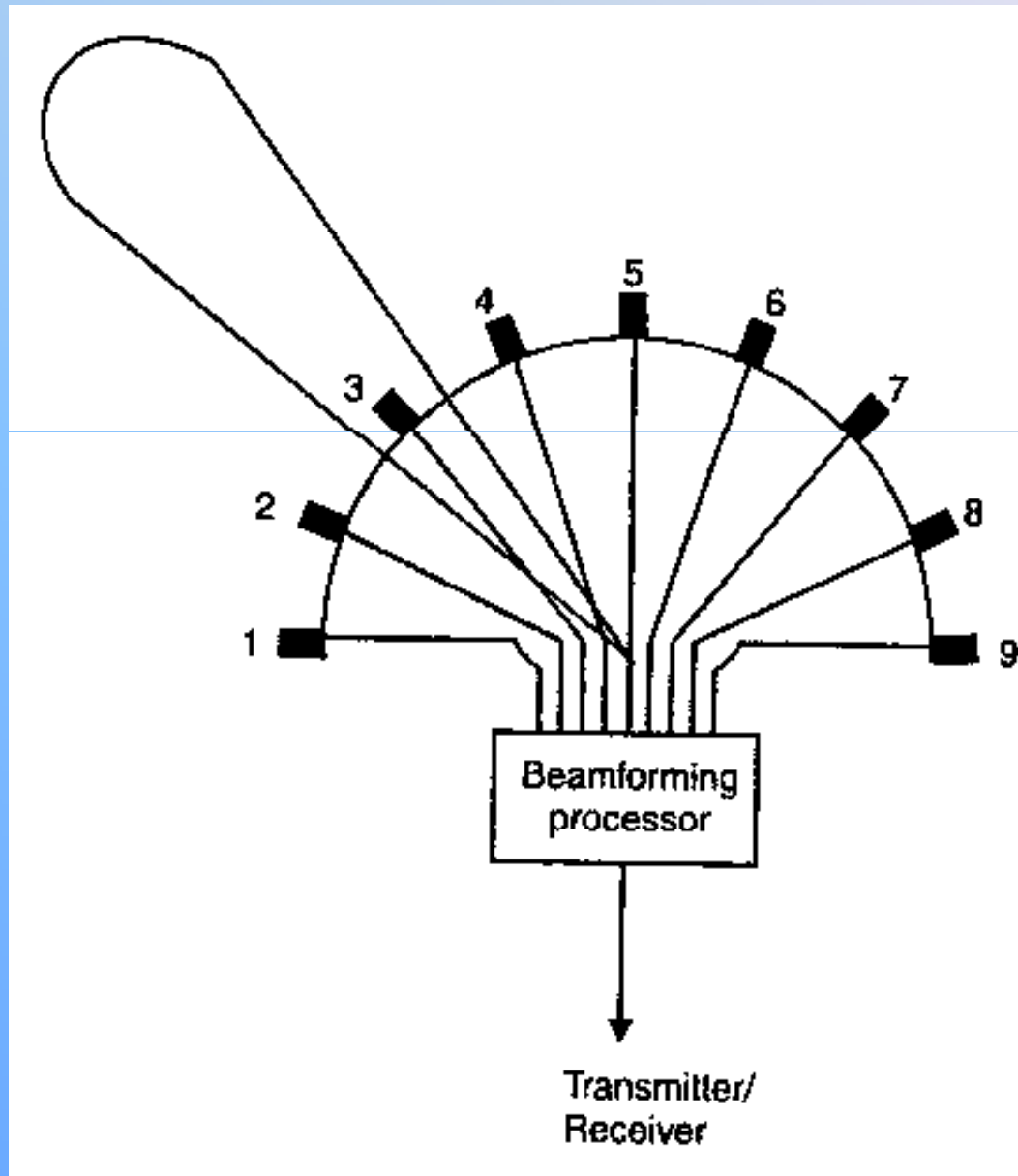
SOUND VELOCITY PROFILE (SVP)

- **A COUSTIC RAY PATHS ARE NOT STRAIGHT, THEY BEND.THE RAY PATH IS DETERMINED BY SVP.**

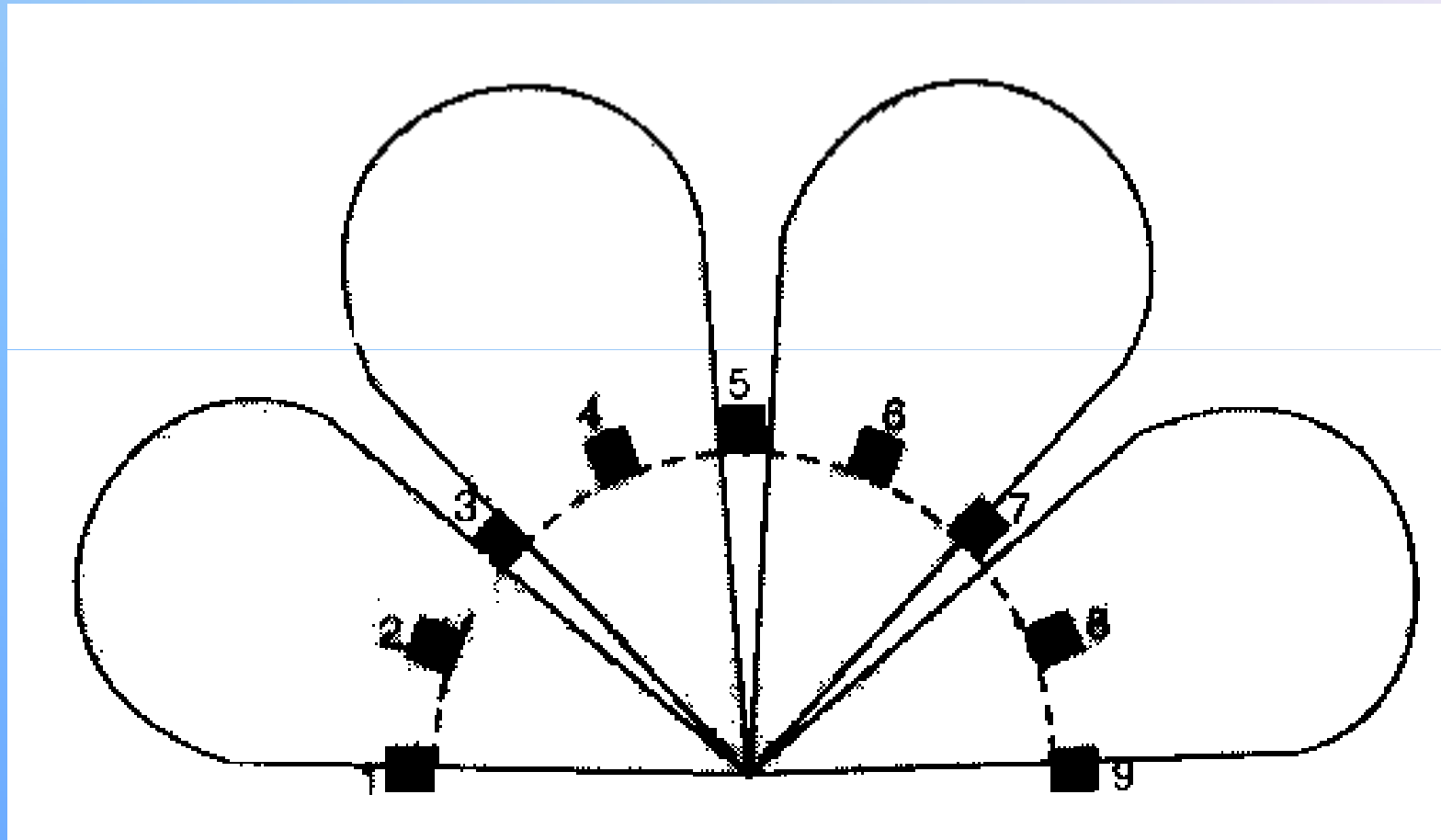


- **SURFACE LAYER**: SOUND SPEED IS GREATLY AFFECTED BY TEMP & WIND DIRECTION
SEASONAL THERMOCLINE: TEMP & SPEED DECREASE WITH DEPTH. VARIATIONS ARE SEASONAL.
- **MAIN THERMOCLINE**: TEMP & SPEED DECREASE WITH DEPTH. LITTLE SEASONAL EFFECT.
- **DEEP ISOTHERMAL LAYER**: SOUND VELOCITY INCREASES LINEARLY WITH DEPTH.
TEMP IS NEARLY CONSTANT AT 39⁰ F.

ACTIVE BEAM FORMING PROCESSOR



PASSIVE BEAM FORMING PROCESSOR



BEAM FORMING PROCESSOR (contd)

- THE BEAM FORMING PROCESSOR APPLIES TIME DELAYS OR PHASE SHIFT TO EACH OF THE SIGNALS SO AS TO CREATE A NARROW BEAM IN A PARTICULAR DIRECTION (ACTIVE)
- IN PASSIVE SYSTEM , THIS PROCESS IS REPEATED SEVERAL TIMES EACH WITH A DIFF.SET OF TIME DELAYS / PHASE SHIFTS IN ORDER TO LISTEN TO MANY NARROW BEAMS SIMULTANEOUSLY.

SONAR SYSTEM PERFORMANCE

SONAR EQUATION

- MAJOR PARAMETERS:
- L_S =SOURCE LEVEL
 - RADIATED SIGNAL STRENGTH.(PASSIVE)
 - TRANSMITTED SIGNAL STRENGTH(ACTIVE)
- L_N =NOISE LEVEL=(AN+SN)= Ambient+ Self Noise
- N_{DI} =DIRECTIVITY INDEX-
- IT IS A MEASURE OF THE CAPABILITY OF A RECEIVING ARRAY TO ELECTRONICALLY DISCRIMINATE AGAINST UNWANTED NOISE.

- N_{TS} =ECHO LEVEL(RECEIVED)
- N_{RD} =RECOGNITION DIFFERENTIAL OF THE PROCESSING SYSTEM.
- FOM=FIGURE OF MERIT \approx SNR >DETECTION THRESHOLD(DT)
- **FOM(PASSIVE SONAR)= $L_S-(L_N-N_{DI})-N_{RD}$**
- **FOM (ACTIVE SONAR)= $(L_S+N_{TS})-(L_N-N_{DI})-N_{RD}$**

- NOTE: N_{TS} VARIES AS A FUNCTION OF OBJECT SIZE, ASPECT ANGLE ,SURFACE MATERIAL ETC.
- **SIGNAL EXCESS=AMOUNT OF SIGNAL IN DB ABOVE THE FOM.**
- THE FOM IS A BASIC PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT INVOLVING PARAMETERS OF SONAR SYSTEM ,OCEAN AND TARGET.
- FOM PARAMETERS FLUCTUATE WITH TIME

APPLICATIONS OF SONAR

- **MILITARY APPLICATIONS**
- **A)DETECTION**
- **B)CLASSIFICATION**
- **C)LOCALISATION(MEASURING RANGE, BEARING)**
- **D)NAVIGATION**
- **E)COMMUNICATION**
- **F)CONTROL (USE OF SOUND ACTIVATED RELEASE MECHANISM)**
- **G)POSITION MARKING(BEACONS,TRANSPONDERS)**
- **H)DEPTH SOUNDING (SENDING SHORT PULSES DOWNWARD AND TIMING BOTTOM RETURN)**

- **COMMERCIAL APPLICATIONS**

- **INDUSTRIAL**

- **FISH FINDER**

- **FISH POPULATION ESTIMATION**

- **OIL & MINERAL EXPLORATION**

- **RIVER FLOW METER**

- **VISCOSIMETER**

- **UNDERWATER TELEPHONE**

- **OCEANOGRAPHIC**

- **SUB BOTTOM**

- GEOLOGICAL MAPPING**

- **ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING**

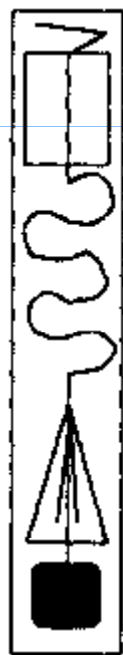
- **OCEAN TOPOGRAPHY**

- **SIGNAL & NOISE MEASUREMENT**

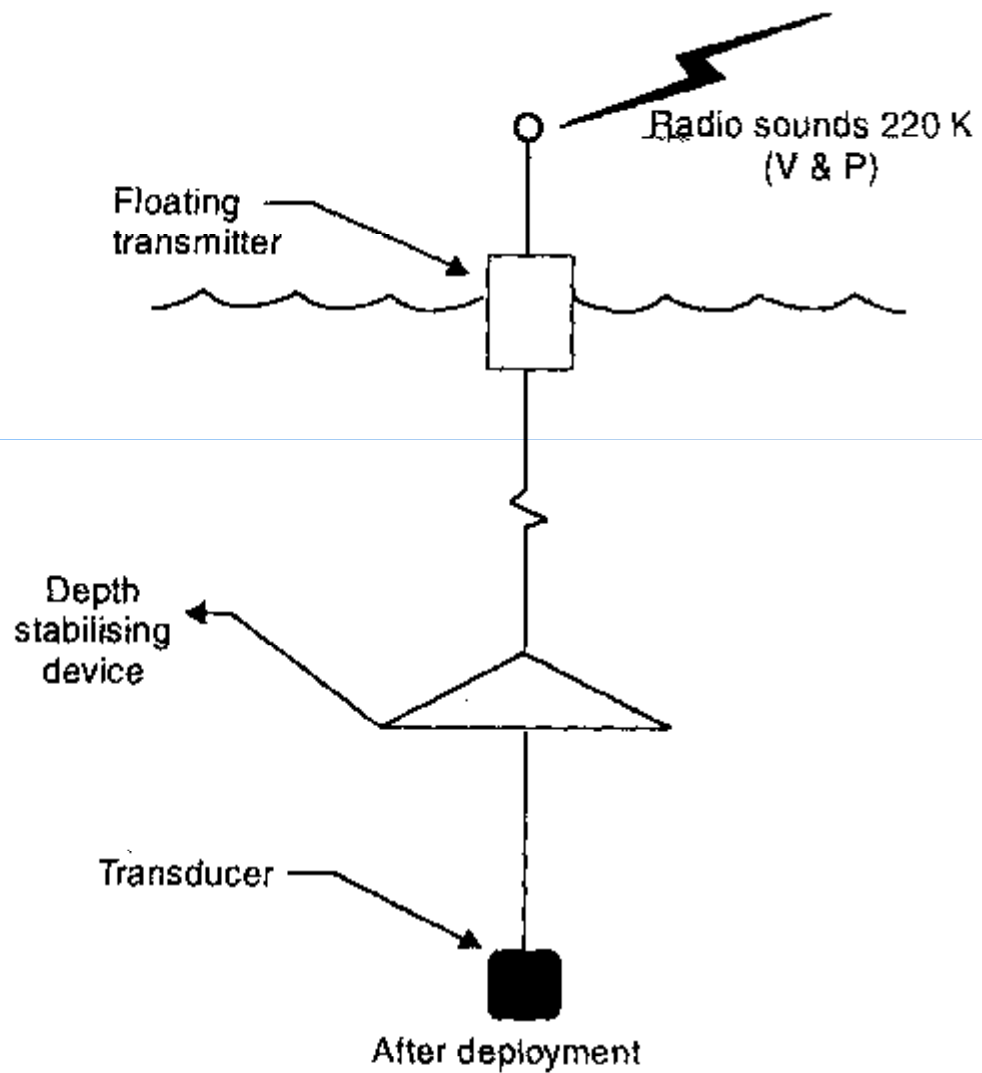
- **SUBMARINE DETECTION**

SONOBUOYS

- SONOBUOYS ARE SELE-CONTAINED SMALL SONAR SYSTEMS.
- THEY ARE DROPPED INTO WATER BY AIRCRAFT
- THE INFORMATION FROM SONOBUOYS TO AIRCRAFT/SHIP IS TRANSMITTED BY VHF RADIO LINK.
- SONOBUOYS CONSIST OF A TX AND A SIGNAL HYDROPHONE TO RECEIVE THE SIGNAL.
- AFTER SOME PERIOD,SONOBUOY WILL SCUTTLE ITSELF.



Before deployment



After deployment

SONOBUOY AFTER DEPLOYMENT

- SONOBUOYS HAVE LIMITED SIZE (SO POOR DI)
- THEY HAVE LOW SELF-NOISE ,SO FOM IS NOT ALWAYS LOW.
- SONOBUOYS CAN ACTUALLY OUTPERFORM SOME LARGE HULL-MOUNTED SYSTEMS

FIGURE OF MERIT(FOM)

- **THE RATIO OF SIGNAL –TO-NOISE IN LOGARITHMIC SCALE IS THE SNR=FOM**
- **MIN SNR FOR DETECTION=DT (DETECTION THRESHOLD)**
- **TRANSMISSION LOSS(TL) THE TX LOSS FROM SOURCE TO RX INCLUDES THE EFFECT OF ENERGY SPREADING OUT,ATTENUATION AND VARIOUS OTHER EFFECTS**

- **FOM OR SNR=SL+DI-TL-NL (PASSIVE SYSTEM)**
- WHERE SL=SOURCE LEVEL
- TL=TRANSMISSION LOSS
- NL=NOISE LEVEL (AN+SN)
- DI=DIRECTIVITY INDEX
- TS=TARGET STRENGTH OR ECHO LEVEL
- **FOM OR SNR=SL-TL+TS-TL+DI-NL(ACTIVE SYSTEM)**
- **=SL-2TL+TS+DI-NL**

FIGURE OF MERIT(FOM)-contd

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