

$$(a): \frac{P_r}{P_t} = k d^{-\alpha} \quad \alpha = 3.5.$$

the worst-case DL

$$\frac{C}{I} = \frac{P_t L r^{-\alpha}}{\sum_{j=1}^K P_t L d^{-\alpha}} = \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{r}{d} \right)^{-\alpha} \quad d = r \sqrt[3]{K}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{K}} \right)^{-\alpha} \quad \alpha = 3.5.$$

$$K = 3 \quad \frac{C}{I} = 7.7942$$

$$K = 4 \quad \frac{C}{I} = 12.8948$$

$$K = 7 \quad \frac{C}{I} = 34.3346$$

$$(b) \quad \frac{C}{I} \text{ dB} = 17.6 + 5\alpha \log_{10} K.$$

$$\frac{C}{I} \text{ dB} = 5 \text{ dB} \Rightarrow K = 2$$

$$10.5 \text{ dB} \Rightarrow K = 4$$