Degradation of SNR by receiver with specific N.F.

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$$T_{sys} = T_{sky} + T_G + T_M + T_{RX} = T_e + T_{RX}$$

where

 T_{svs} - equivalent noise temperature of the system,

 T_{sky} - brightness temperature of the sky,

 T_G - antenna spill over effect from the ground,

 T_{M} - Moon noise contribution if the antenna is pointed to the Moon.

$$T_{RX} = 290 \left(10^{\frac{F}{10}} - 1\right)$$
, where *F* is N.F. [dB] .

 T_e - equivalent noise temperature except contribution of the receiver.

Then

Degradation [dB] =
$$10 \log((T_e + T_{RX})/T_e)$$
.

From the figure below we can read for example:

- 1. If Te is 290 K (terrestrial), then an improvement of receiver N.F. from 1 dB to 0,7 dB brings SNR higher about 0,3 dB.
- 2. If Te is 130 K, then an improvement of receiver N.F. from 1 dB to 0,7 dB brings SNR higher about 0,5 dB.
- 3. If Te is 70 K, then an improvement of receiver N.F. from 1 dB to 0,7 dB brings SNR higher about 0,7 dB.
- 4. If Te is 50 K, then an improvement of receiver N.F. from 1 dB to 0,7 dB brings SNR higher about 1,0 dB.

