

EELE445 Telecommunications Systems – Spring 2014

Course Description:	An introduction to analog and digital communication systems with lab. Topics include signals in communications; noise characterizations; bandwidth considerations; probability of error; analog and digital modulation; frequency domain analysis; matched filter applications. Experiments involve modulation, demodulation, A/Ds, sampling theory, and aliasing.
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TA:	TBA
Prerequisites:	EELE308- Signal and Systems Analysis or equivalent or consent of the instructor EELE317- Electronics
Text:	Digital and Analog Communications Systems, 8th edition, Prentice Hall, Leon W. Couch, 2013, ISBN 0-13-291538-3
Other References:	Modern Digital and Analog Communication Systems, B. P. Lathi Communication Systems, A. Bruce Carlson Fundamentals of Communications Systems, J. G. Proakis The student version of Matlab will also be used in class
Class:	1:10 pm - 2:00 pm, MWF Roberts Hall 321
Grading:	Homework20% Midterm1 – (February 13 th)20% Midterm 2 – (April 3 rd)20% Final Examination – (8-9:50am May 1 st)20% Lab Work20%

Homework

Homework assignments cover approximately every 3 lectures and are due on the following Friday. Please be sure your homework is clear and legible! Late homework will be accepted with a reasonable excuse before the solutions are posted on the following Wednesday. Students may study together on the homework but do the problems individually. Many exam problems are drawn from homework problems. Office hours will be posted to answer questions but you may try to get me anytime I am not busy to ask a question.

Reading Assignments and Course Notes

Reading assignments are not given in this course. Lecture notes with problem examples worked in class will be posted on a weekly basis for the students review. The notes should be studied in conjunction with the appropriate sections of the text for the best understanding of the material and to achieve the best performance on exams.

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Exams

There will be 2 exams and a final. Each exam will cover approximately one third of the course material. The final exam will also include one topic from the first exam and one topic from the second exam. All exams are open book, and one 8.5x11 sheet of paper with notes may also be used during the exam. No other reference material may be used. Tentative exam dates are provided and will be confirmed as the exam dates approach.

Course Topics

Review of Signals and Spectra

Classification and properties of signals, unit impulse function, correlation, exponential Fourier series, Fourier Transforms, properties of Fourier transforms, energy spectral densities, power spectral densities

Analysis and Transmission of Signals

Signal transmission through a linear system, ideal and practical filters and signal distortion over a communication channel, antennas, link budgets

Sampling and pulse code modulation

Nyquist sampling theorem, quantization, quantization noise, signal to noise ratio considerations, bit rates

Principles of Digital Baseband Signals

PAM –pulse amplitude modulation, PCM – pulse code modulation, Digital baseband signal vectors, Line Codes, ISI –inter-symbol interference, Speech Coding, TDM, PWM, occupied bandwidths, pulse shaping, regenerative repeaters, digital multiplexing

Bandpass Signaling Principles and Circuits

The Complex Envelope, Modulation Theorem, Demodulation, Filtering, Receivers, Transmitters

Bandpass Modulated Systems

- Amplitude (linear) Modulation -Basic modulation theorem, double sideband, amplitude modulation, superheterodyne receivers
- Angle (FM, PM) modulation - Instantaneous frequency, generation of FM, occupied bandwidth of FM, demodulation of FM, performance of FM systems, stereo FM
- Digital modulation – BPSK, QPSK, M-ary, MSK, GMSK

Introduction to the theory of probability

Basic concepts, random variables, Gaussian amplitude probability density, statistical averages, statistical definitions of noise

Analog systems in the presence of noise

DSB-SC systems, AM systems, FM systems

Behavior of digital systems in the presence of noise

Optimum threshold detection, optimum binary receiver, probability of bit error P_e ,

Error correcting codes

Forward error correction FEC, linear block codes, performance improvement

Example systems

Several current communications will be chosen and discussed in class.

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Lab Work

Lab Goals:

The primary purpose of this lab is to reinforce the concepts introduced in the course lectures. The lab will also augment the ability to assemble, test, and analyze simple electronic circuits used in communications. Requirements for notebooks and memo reports will be posted on the class website.

Lab General Guidelines:

- Work together in groups of **no more** than three people. Labs will be posted on the website prior to the lab period.
- Most Labs will have pre-lab work to be done prior to the lab period. Pre-lab questions will be checked and initialed by the TA at the beginning of the lab period. This will then be turned in with the memo report of that lab one week after the lab is performed.
- Several of the labs will require a formal report.
- Maintain separate laboratory notebooks. These are **VERY** useful for the exams! Notebooks are to be initialed by the instructor before you leave the laboratory. Notebooks will be collected after the midterm for grading and after the final for grading.
- Check the website for work and other information

Lab Grading:

- The lab work is 20% of your final course grade. The lab grade is composed of:
 - Notebooks 20%
 - Mid-term Examination 10%
 - Final Examination 10%
 - Reports and pre-labs 60%
- A bound notebook is required for the course. Notebooks will be collected and graded at the lab midterm and the lab final. You will be notified one week prior to notebook collection in order for you to check over your lab notes before grading. See the section on notebook details for what you should include in the notebook.
- A memo report for each lab is due one week after the lab is performed. It should be typed. **Be sure to attach your prelab questions to your memo report as this is part of the report grade!** Lab partners should have the same data but state your own individual conclusions!
- The midterm and final are each approximately 10 questions. Lab notebooks may be used during the exams. You may be asked to set up the equipment and perform a measurement for the instructor as part of the exam.

Parts for the labs may be purchased from the stock room. Parts cost is not covered by the general laboratory fee, but the cost is minimal.