

The University of Texas at Tyler  
Department of Electrical Engineering

**EENG 4312– Communications Theory (Required)**

**Syllabus**

**Catalog Description:**

modulation techniques, effects of noise in communications system, signal to noise ratio, digital data transmission, probability of error, wireless channel, diversity, cellular network, multiple access schemes.

**Prerequisites:** EENG 4311, Co-requisite MATH 3351

**Credits:** ( 3 hours lecture, 0 hours laboratory per week )

**Text(s):** Communication Systems Engineering by John G. Proakis, Masoud Salehi, 2nd Edition, Prentice Hall, ISBN-13: 9780130617934  
Wireless Communications , A. Goldsmith, Cambridge University Press, 2005.

**Additional Material:** Lecture Handouts

**Course Coordinator:** Jounsup Park, PhD

**Topics Covered:** (paragraph of topics separated by semicolons)

Amplitude Modulation; Frequency Modulation; Information Theory; Digital Communications; Wireless Communications; Diversity; Medium Access Schemes;

**Evaluation Methods:** (only items in dark print apply):

1. Examinations / Quizzes
2. Homework
3. Report / Paper
4. Computer Programming
5. Project / Model
6. Presentation
7. Course Participation

**Course Learning Objectives<sup>1</sup>:** By the end of this course students will be able to:

1. Compute symbol information, information transmission rate, channel [1]
2. Select mixer filter combinations that will upshift and down shift spectra to desired specifications.[1]
3. Apply Fourier analysis to characterize communication Signals [4]
4. Design communication filter or circuit test it using simulation software [4]
5. Use simulation software to solve problems in time and frequency domain for communication systems[4, 6]
6. Analyze and predict bandwidth and power distribution properties for amplitude modulation systems AM ( with carrier, suppressed carrier, single side band, vestigial sideband )[1,4]
7. Analyze and predict bandwidth and power distribution properties for angle modulation systems phase modulation, frequency modulation[1,4]
8. Explain operation for AM circuits, modulation schemes, demodulation schemes, envelope detectors[1]
9. Explain operation of FM circuits, modulation schemes, demodulation schemes, limiters [1]

10. Explain operation of phase lock loops and solve examples taken from applications in communication [1]
11. Explain advantages and disadvantages of super-heterodyne receivers and be able to solve for the local oscillator frequency and potentially interfering image frequencies[1]
12. Compute signal to noise power ratios for AM and FM systems[1]
13. Compute parameters for quantization, and transmission bandwidth for analog to a pulse code modulation process, also TDM, digital data transmission[1]
14. Predict bit error probabilities in presence of additive white Gaussian noise [1]
15. Explain the wireless channel models using mathematical form [1]
16. Predict the performance of wireless communication systems [1]
17. Apply diversity schemes to design reliable wireless communication systems [4, 6]
18. Demonstrate knowledge of terminology, concepts, FCC rules to provide basis to communicate effectively with others in the technical community [1]
19. Find article from IEEE Spectrum, or other source that has relevance. Describe in short essay to describe this items.[3]

<sup>1</sup>Numbers in brackets refer to method(s) used to evaluate the course objective.

**Relationship to Student Outcomes (only items in dark print apply)<sup>2</sup>:** This course supports the following Electrical Engineering Student Outcomes, which state that our students will possess:

1. an ability to identify, formulate, and solve complex engineering problems by applying principles of engineering, science, and mathematics; [1,2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18]
2. an ability to apply engineering design to produce solutions that meet specified needs with consideration of public health, safety, and welfare, as well as global, cultural, social, environmental, and economic factors; [19]
3. an ability to communicate effectively with a range of audiences;
4. an ability to recognize ethical and professional responsibilities in engineering situations and make informed judgments, which must consider the impact of engineering solutions in global, economic, environmental, and societal contexts; [3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 17]
5. an ability to function effectively on a team whose members together provide leadership, create a collaborative and inclusive environment, establish goals, plan tasks, and meet objectives;
6. an ability to develop and conduct appropriate experimentation, analyze and interpret data, and use engineering judgment to draw conclusions; [5, 17]
7. an ability to acquire and apply new knowledge as needed, using appropriate learning strategies. [19]

<sup>2</sup>Numbers in brackets refer to course objective(s) that address the Program Outcome.

**Contribution to Meeting Professional Component: (in semester hours)**

Mathematics and Basic Sciences:	0	hours
Engineering Sciences and Design:	3.0	hours
General Education Component:	0	hours

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Sep 23, 2020

Outline:

week	M	W	F	Contents
1	Aug. 23	25	27	Introduction of Communication Systems
2	30	Sep. 1	3	Review of Signals and Systems
3	6	8	10	Power and Energy
4	13	15	17	Bandpass Signal
5	20	22	24	AM DSB-SC
6	27	29	Oct. 1	AM DSB-TC
7	4	6	8	AM SSB/VSB
8	11	13	15	Midterm Exam
9	18	20	22	Angle Modulation FM and PM (1)
10	25	27	29	Angle Modulation FM and PM (2)
11	Nov. 1	3	5	Probability Review
12	8	10	12	Random Process and Noise Modeling
13	15	17	19	Noise
14	29	Dec. 1	3	Digital Modulation and Optimum receiver
15	6	8	10	Final Exam