

Satellite Communications (Data & Formula Sheet)

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Average radius of the earth=6,378.137 km

Kepler's constant = $3.986004418 \times 10^5 \text{ km}^3/\text{s}^2$. You may use = $3.986 * 10^5 \text{ km}^3/\text{s}^2$

Dhahran 26.3°N and 50.1°E

Duration of Earth's solar day ≈ 24 Hours.

Speed of light = $2.998 * 10^5 \text{ km/s}$

Plane trigonometry

C

a

b

c

B

A

$$\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$$

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C$$

$$\tan \frac{C}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{(d-a)(d-b)}{d(d-c)}}, d = \frac{a+b+c}{2}$$

$\Delta f = V_T f_T / c = V_T / \lambda$,

$$r_0 = \frac{p}{1 + e * \cos(\phi_0)}$$

$$T^2 = (4 \pi^2 a^3) / \mu$$

$$a = \frac{P}{1 - e^2}$$

$$b = a(1 - e^2)^{1/2}$$

$$p = \frac{h^2}{\mu}$$

$$e = \frac{a-b}{a+b}$$

$$\cos(\gamma) = \cos(L_e) \cos(L_s) \cos(l_s - l_e) + \sin(L_e) \sin(L_s)$$

$$d = r_s \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{r_E}{r_s} \right)^2 - 2 \left(\frac{r_E}{r_s} \right) \cos(\gamma)}$$

spherical trigonometry

$$El = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{\left(\cos \gamma - \frac{r_e}{r_s} \right)}{\sin \gamma} \right]$$

$$\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$$

$$\cos a = \cos b \cos c + \sin b \sin c \cos A$$

$$\cos A = -\cos B \cos C + \sin B \sin C \cos a$$

$$\alpha = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{\tan |(l_s - l_e)|}{\sin(L_e)} \right]$$

$$G = \eta_A \{4\pi A / \lambda^2\}, G = \eta_A \{\pi D / \lambda\}^2, \Theta_{3dB} \approx 75 \lambda/D \text{ degrees}, G \approx 33000 / (\Theta_{3dB})^2$$

Given the time of perigee t_p , the eccentricity e and the length of the semimajor axis a :

⌚ η Average Angular Velocity, $\eta = 2\pi/T = \mu^{1/2} / a^{3/2}$ (eqn. 2.25)

⌚ M Mean Anomaly, $M = \eta(t - t_p)$ (eqn. 2.30)

⌚ E Eccentric Anomaly, $M = E - e \sin E$, (solve eqn. 2.30)

⌚ r_o Radius from orbit center, $r_o = a - ae \cos E$ (eqn. 2.27)

⌚ φ_o True Anomaly, $r_o = (a(1-e^2)) / (1 + e \cos \varphi_o)$ (solve eq. 2.22)

⌚ x_0 and y_0 , $x_0 = r_o \cos \varphi_o, y_0 = r_o \sin \varphi_o$ (using eqn. 2.23 and 2.24)