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 EE418: Satellite Communications (101)  
**Quiz 2: Orbital Mechanics (Doppler Effects)**

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A satellite, in a 500 km high circular orbit, carries a 3 GHz transmitter. Determine:  $v = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{r}}$

- The orbital velocity.
- The orbital period.
- The orbital angular velocity in radians per second;
- If an earth station on the surface of the earth at mean sea level, 6,370 km from the center of the earth, can receive the transmissions down to an elevation angle of  $0^\circ$ , calculate the maximum Doppler shift that this station will observe. Note: include the earth's rotation and be sure you consider the *maximum possible* Doppler shift (i.e.  $2\Delta f$ ).

**Note:** assume the average radius of the earth is 6,370 km and Kepler's constant has the value  $3.986004418 \times 10^5 \text{ km}^3/\text{s}^2$ .

a)  $v = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{r}} = 7.6171 \text{ km/sec}$  ①

b)  $T = \frac{2\pi r}{v} = 5.687 \times 10^3 \text{ sec}$  ②

c)  $\omega_{\text{angular}} = \frac{2\pi}{T} = 0.0011 \text{ rad/sec}$  ②

d)  $\omega_{\text{analemma}} = v * \frac{r_e}{r_{\text{earth}}} = 7.0626 \text{ km/sec}$  ②  $\Delta f_{\text{sat}} = \frac{V_e}{\lambda} \Delta f_{\text{sat}}$

Max when earth rotate in the opposite direction

Earth rotation (angle) =  $\frac{2\pi}{\text{sidereal day}} = \frac{2\pi}{24 \times 60 \times 60} =$  ①

speed on Earth surface =  $\frac{2\pi}{24 \times 60 \times 60} * V_e$

Total speed =  $7062.6 + 463.23 = 7526 \text{ km/sec}$

$$\Delta f = \frac{V_e}{\lambda} \quad \text{①}$$

$2\Delta f = 150.5196 \text{ Hz}$

①

Because max increase is  $\Delta f$   
 & max decrease is  $\Delta f$ .

without Earth Station

$2\Delta f = 141.25 \text{ kHz}$

Good Luck, Dr. Ali Muqaibel