

KING FAHD UNIVERSITY OF PETROLEUM AND MINERALS  
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT  
**EE 571 Digital Communications I**  
First Semester (111), Ver. 2.0

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**Prerequisites** : EE370, EE315 or equivalent courses.

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**Course Objectives:**

- Understand basic components of digital communication systems.
- Design optimum receivers for digital modulation techniques.
- Analyze the error performance of digital modulation techniques.
- Design digital communication systems under given power, spectral and error performance constraints.

**Course Description:** Time and frequency representation of signals. Spectral density and autocorrelation. A/D and D/A conversion. PAM and PCM systems. Detection of binary and M-ary signals in Gaussian noise. Matched filter and correlator receivers. Pulse shaping. Band pass modulation and demodulation techniques. Error performance for binary and M-ary systems. Spectral Analysis of digital signals. Communication link analysis.

**Course Outline:**

**Review:** Sampling theorem, analog-to-digital conversion and PCM, random variables and stochastic processes.

**Detection Theory:** Vector channels, detection of signals in noise, decision rules such as MAP and maximum likelihood rules, waveform channels, error probability of baseband signals.

**Modulation Techniques:** Bandpass signal representation, noise characterization in bandpass systems, orthogonal expansion of signals [4.2.3], phase and frequency shift keying, quadrature modulation, differential and M-ary modulation schemes, coherent and noncoherent receivers, correlator, matched filter and envelop detector. [5.1]

**Performance of Modulation Techniques:** Computation of the error probability for different modulation techniques and water-fall error curves. [5.2]

**Spectral Characterization:** [4.4]

Spectral characterization of modulation techniques, bandwidth definitions, pulse shaping, spectrally-efficient modulation schemes such as OQPSK,  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ -QPSK, MSK, GMSK and CPM.

**Comparison of Modulation techniques:**

Channel capacity theorem [7.1], maximum information rate in a communication system, power and spectral efficiency of modulation techniques, link budget [5.5].

**Textbook:**

- J. Proakis, Digital Communications, McGraw-Hill Prentice-Hall, 4th edition, 2001. (Ch1,2,4,5,6,7)
- Lecture notes.

**References:**

- Papoulis, Probability, Random Variables, and Stochastic Processes, McGraw-Hill, 1965.
- J. Wozencraft and I. Jacobs, Principles of Communication Engineering, John Wiley & Sons, 1965.
- H. Van Trees, Detection, Estimation and Modulation Theory, John Wiley & Sons, 2001.

- Sklar, Digital Communications Fundamental and Applications, Prentice-Hall, 1988.
- S. Wilson, Digital Modulation and Coding, Prentice-Hall, 1995.

**Homework Assignments:**

Homework will be issued about once every two weeks. Collaborative work is encouraged between students. However, solutions are to be worked out and submitted individually.

**Grading Policy:**

Homework problems	12%	
Exam I	20%	Saturday of Week 7 (Oct. 22, 2011, Class time)
Exam II	20%	Saturday of Week 12 (Dec. 3, 2011, Class time)
Quizzes	8%	
Final Exam	30%	
Term Paper	10%	

**Coverage Outline:** (Time and emphasis may be adjusted as needed)

No.	Topic	Lectures	Reading
1	<p><b>Review</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction to the course</li> <li>• Basic Elements of Digital Communication Systems, Sampling theorem, analog-to-digital conversion and PCM.</li> <li>• Communication Channels</li> <li>• Random variables and stochastic processes.</li> </ul>	5	Ch1  Ch2
2	<p><b>Characterization of Communication Signals and Systems</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Representation of Band-Pass Signals and Systems</li> <li>• Signal Space Representations</li> <li>• Representation of Digitally Modulated Signals</li> <li>• Spectral Characteristics of Digitally Modulated Signals</li> </ul>	10	Ch4
3	<p><b>Optimum Receivers for the Additive White Gaussian Noise Channel</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Optimum Receiver for Signals Corrupted by Additive White Gaussian Noise</li> <li>• Performance of the Optimum Receiver for Memoryless Modulation</li> <li>• Optimum Receiver for CPM Signals</li> <li>• Optimum Receiver for Signals with Random Phase in AWGN Channel</li> <li>• Performance Analysis for Wireline and Radio Communication Systems</li> </ul>	10	Ch 5
4	<b>New Developments in Digital Communication</b>	1	
5	<b>Projects' Presentations</b>	2	
6	<b>In Class Major Exams</b>	2	