

Course Specifications

From the academic year 2020-2021 up to and including the academic year

Modulation and Detection (E012130)

Due to Covid 19, the education and assessment methods may vary from the information displayed in the schedules and course details. Any changes will be communicated on Ufora.

Cour	rse size	(nominal values; actual value	s may depend on pro	ogramme)			
	Credits 6.0	Study time 180	Dh Cor	itact hrs	60.0h		
Cour	rse offerings and tea	ching methods in academic ye	ear 2021-2022				
	A (semester 1)	Dutch	Gent	S	eminar: coached	exercises	20.0h
				g	uided self-study		30.0h
	B (semester 1)	English	Gent	le	ecture		30.0h
		Se			seminar: coached exercises		20.0h
Lect	urers in academic ye	ar 2021-2022					
	Noels, Nele			TW07	lecturer-in-cl	harge	
	Jacobs, Lennert			TW07	co-lecturer		
Offe	ered in the following	programmes in 2021-2022			crdts	offering	
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	Master of Science in Electrical Engineering (main subject Communication and Informatio Technology)				ion 6	В	
	Master of Science in	n Electromechanical Engineerin	g(main subject Contr	ol Engineering	and 6	В	
	Master of Science in	n Electromechanical Engineerin	g(main subject Elect	rical Power	6	В	
	Engineering)						
	Master of Science in	n Electrical Engineering (main s	ubject Electronic Circ	cuits and System	ns) 6	В	
	Master of Science in	n Electromechanical Engineerin	g(main subject Marit	ime Engineering	g) 6	В	
	Master of Science in	n Electromechanical Engineerin	g(main subject Mech	anical	6	В	
	Construction) Master of Science in	n Flectromechanical Engineerin	o(main subject Mech	anical Energy	6	В	
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	European Master of	Science in Photonics			6	В	
	Master of Science in	n Computer Science Engineering]		6	А	
	Master of Science in	n Computer Science Engineering]		6	В	
	Master of Science in	n Electrical Engineering			6	А	
	Master of Science in	n Photonics Engineering			6	В	

Teaching languages

English, Dutch

Keywords

modulation, detection, channel estimation, equalization

Position of the course

The course aims at providing insight in the operation and the performance of optimum and suboptimum receivers for digital communication over various types of channels. Topics are : detection, channel estimation, equalization, multi-user communication, modulation for dispersive channels.

Contents

• Decision and estimation theory: Likelihood function, decision and estimation according to ML and MAP criteria

- Channel models: Static channels, fading channels, coherence time, coherence bandwidth
- Detection of digital information: Time, frequency and spatial diversity; equalization (linear, decision-feedback, Viterbi)
- Multiuser communication: FDM(A), TDM(A), FDD, TDD Modulations suited for dispersive channels: Spread-spectrum and CDM(A), multiuser interference; OFDM, cyclic prefix
- Estimation of channel parameters

Initial competences

Communication Theory: partim Communication Techniques (or equivalent)

Final competences

- 1 To have insight in the operation of algorithms for detection, equalization and channel estimation.
- 2 To apply techniques for multiuser communication.
- 3 To apply modulation techniques for transmission over dispersive channels and to determine their performance.
- 4 To estimate the effect of channel properties (fading, dispersion) on the reliability of the communication link.

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods

Online group work, Online lecture, Group work, Guided self-study, Lecture, Online seminar: coached exercises, Seminar: coached exercises

Extra information on the teaching methods

Part of the course is taught during classical lectures. During the workshops, exercises are solved by the students under the supervision of a teacher. The students independently acquire knowledge for another part of the course; the students independently carry out a group assignment related to this part, with interim supervision being provided on request. Because of COVID19 modified work formats (online or on campus) can be rolled out if necessary.

Learning materials and price

lecture notes (about 10 EUR)

References

- J.G. Proakis, Digital Communications. McGraw-Hill
- H. Meyr, M. Moeneclaey, S.A. Fechtel, Digital Communication Receivers Synchronization, channel estimation, and signal processing. J. Wiley

Course content-related study coaching

The lecturer and assistants are available during contact hours, on appointment and via e-mail.

Assessment moments

end-of-term and continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period

Written examination, Open book examination

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period

Written examination, Open book examination

Examination methods in case of permanent assessment

Assignment

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

examination during the second examination period is possible in modified form

Extra information on the examination methods

During examination period: written open-book exam. During semester: graded team work. Frequency: 1 report at end of semester.

Calculation of the examination mark

First examination period: non periodical (graded team work) 30%; periodical (exam) 70%. If both scores are not at least 8/20, the student cannot pass for the course. The end score is then

at most 7/20.

Second examination period: written exam counts for 70%, score from team work in first examination period counts for 30%. If the score from the team work in the first examination period is less than 8/20, the student will have to pass an additional (individual) oral examination on the team work. If the score of the written examination and, if applicable, of the additional oral examination is not at least 8/20, the student cannot pass for the course. The end score is then at most 7/20.