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Received

Signal

A

Signal

Fe for $f_1 = 10^{10} - 10^{3} Hz$ Receiver

Receiver

Constant

Speed or wave propagation is in air = free space

Figures above were on the white board. The situation was explained: one attenuated direct path and one reflected path. The received signal spectrum is shown with two spectral lines at f_1 and f_2 . There is no signal at f_c .

Questions for discussion:

- a) What is $f_{c?}$ (If student did not recognize or know Doppler relationship, he/she was coached to attempt to derive it from EM wave propagating as $\cos(2\pi f_c kz)$.
- b) What is Doppler shift frequency? (resulted from work for a)
- c) What is v?
- d) Is v reasonable speed for a car?