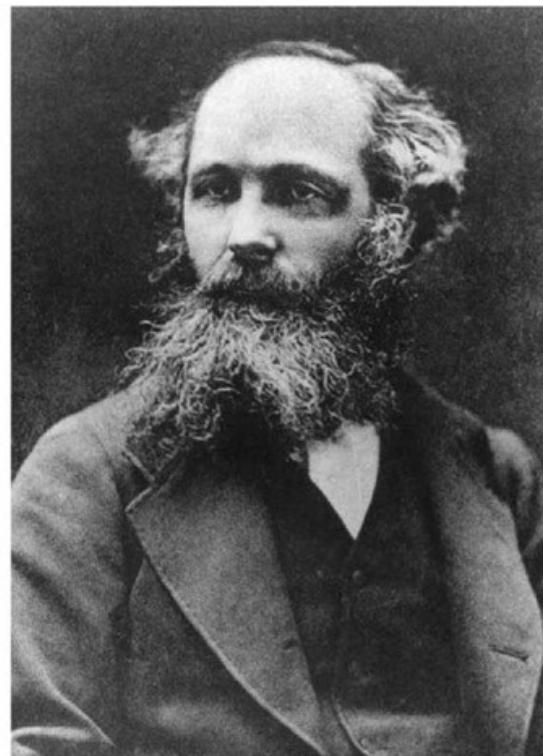


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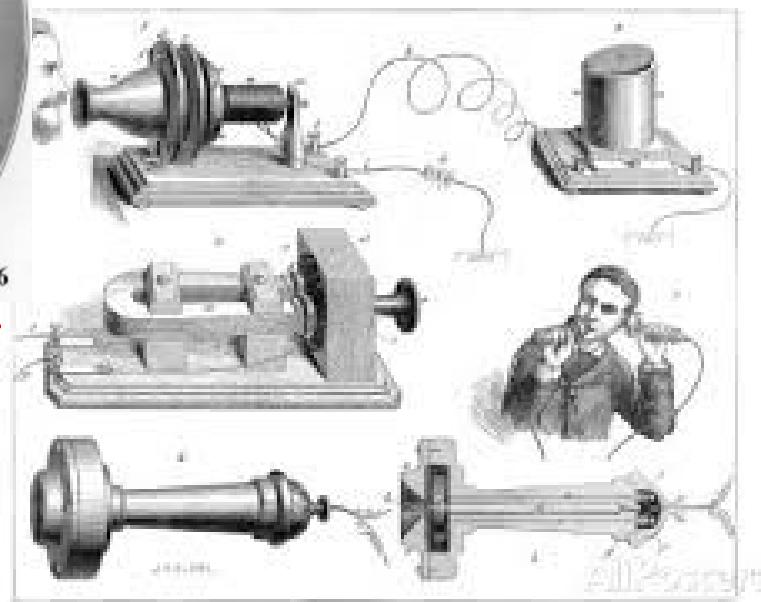
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Alexander Graham Bell in 1876



First Telegraph 1844



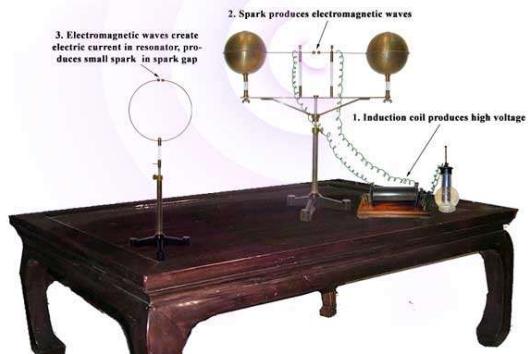
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James Clerk Maxwell



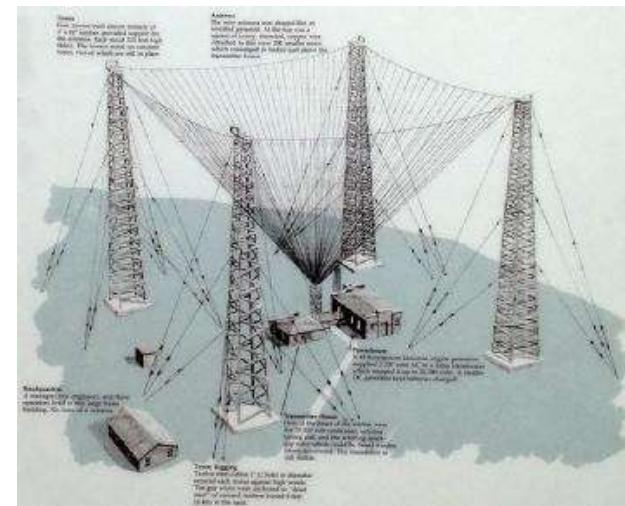
Heinrich Hertz



Spark Gap Experiment
1886-1889

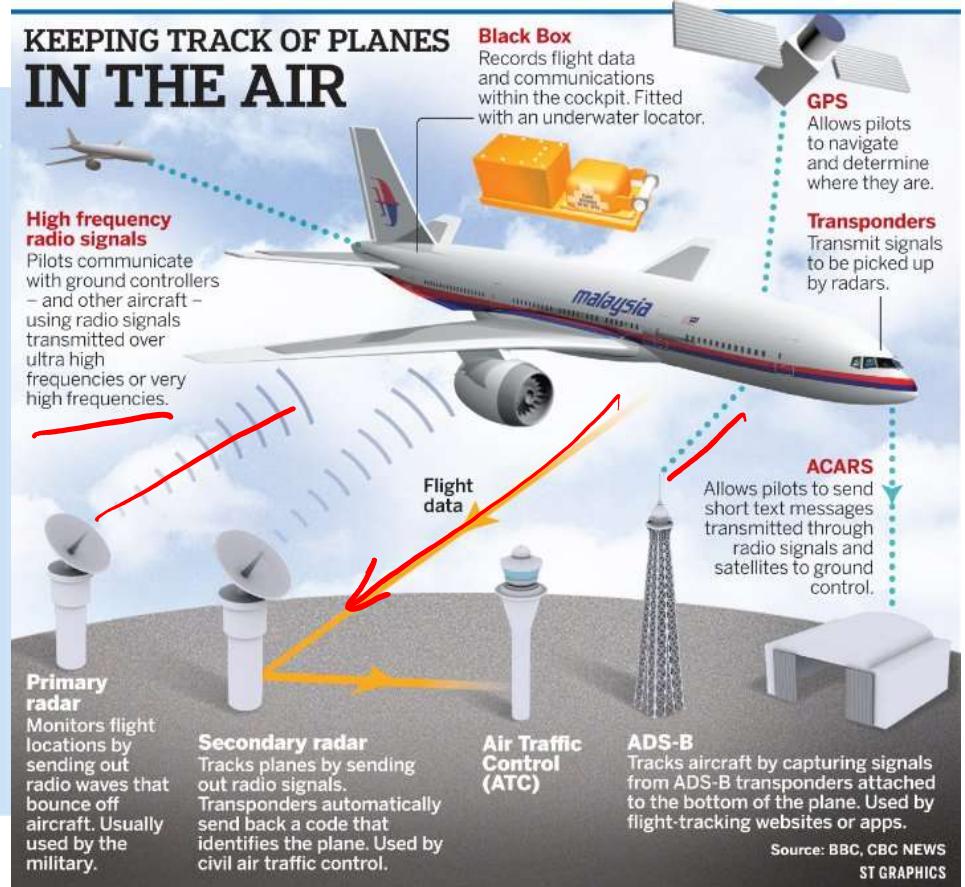
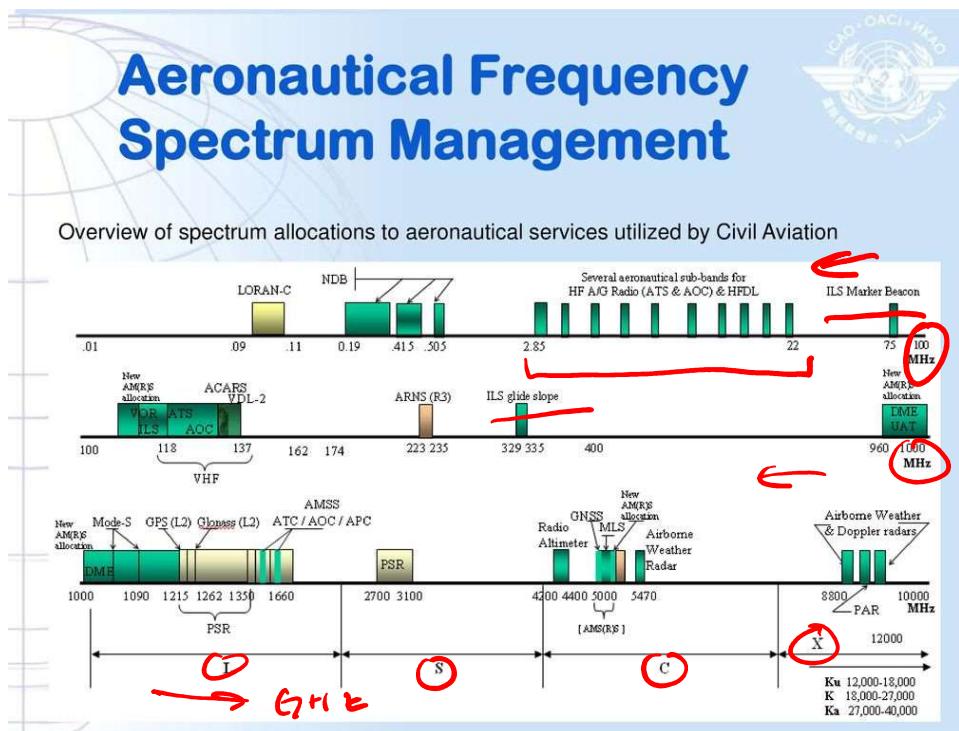


Guglielmo Marconi

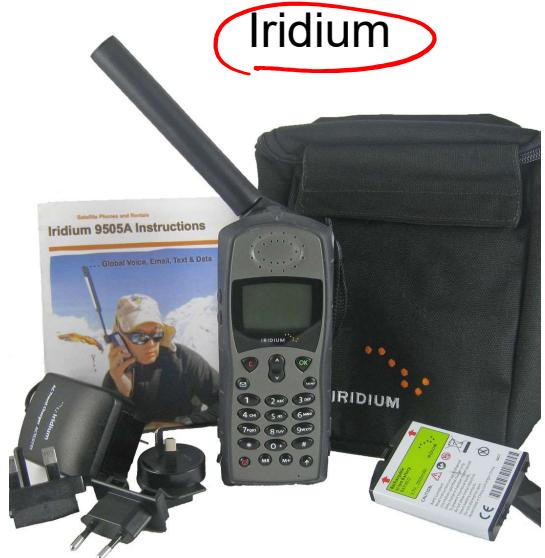


Transatlantic communication
1901

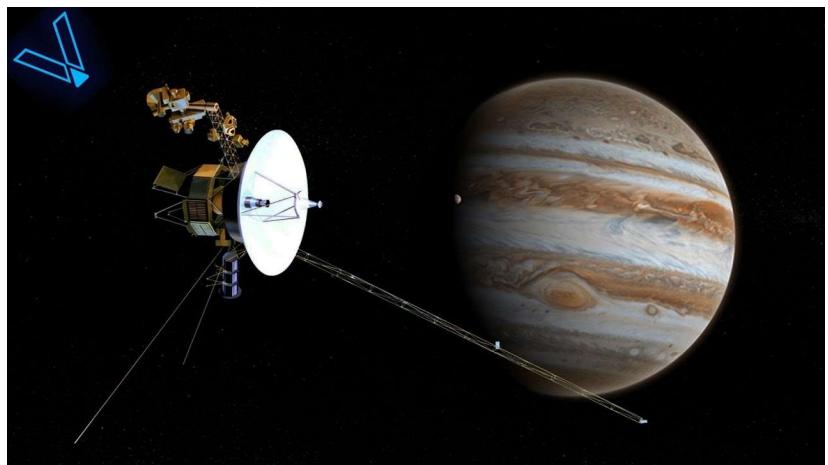
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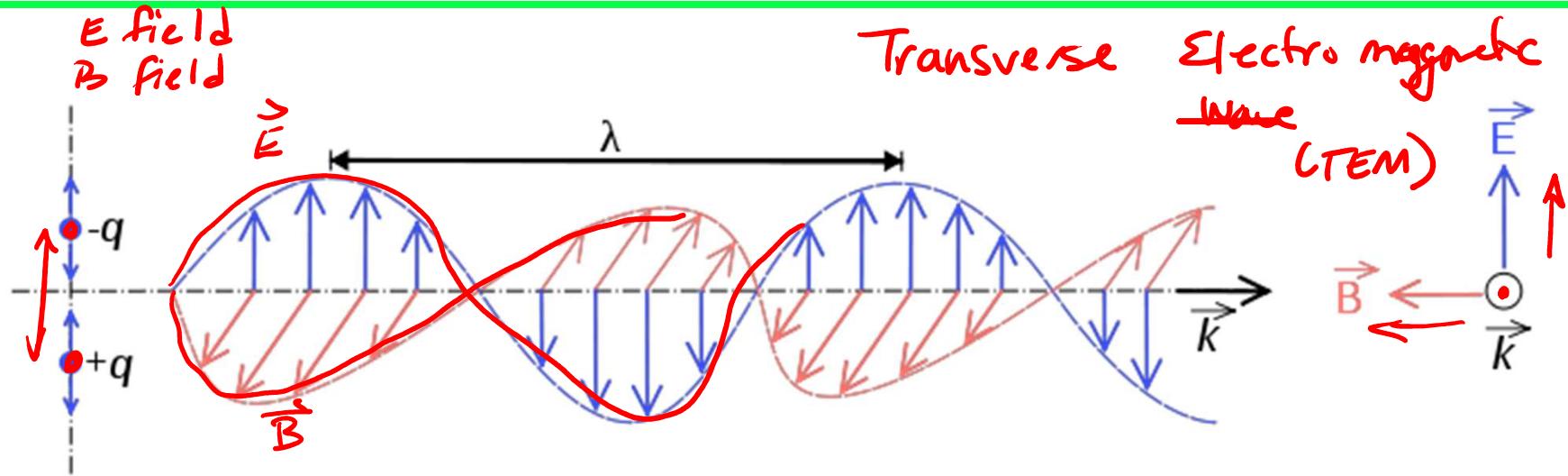


Satellite Television



Voyager spacecraft

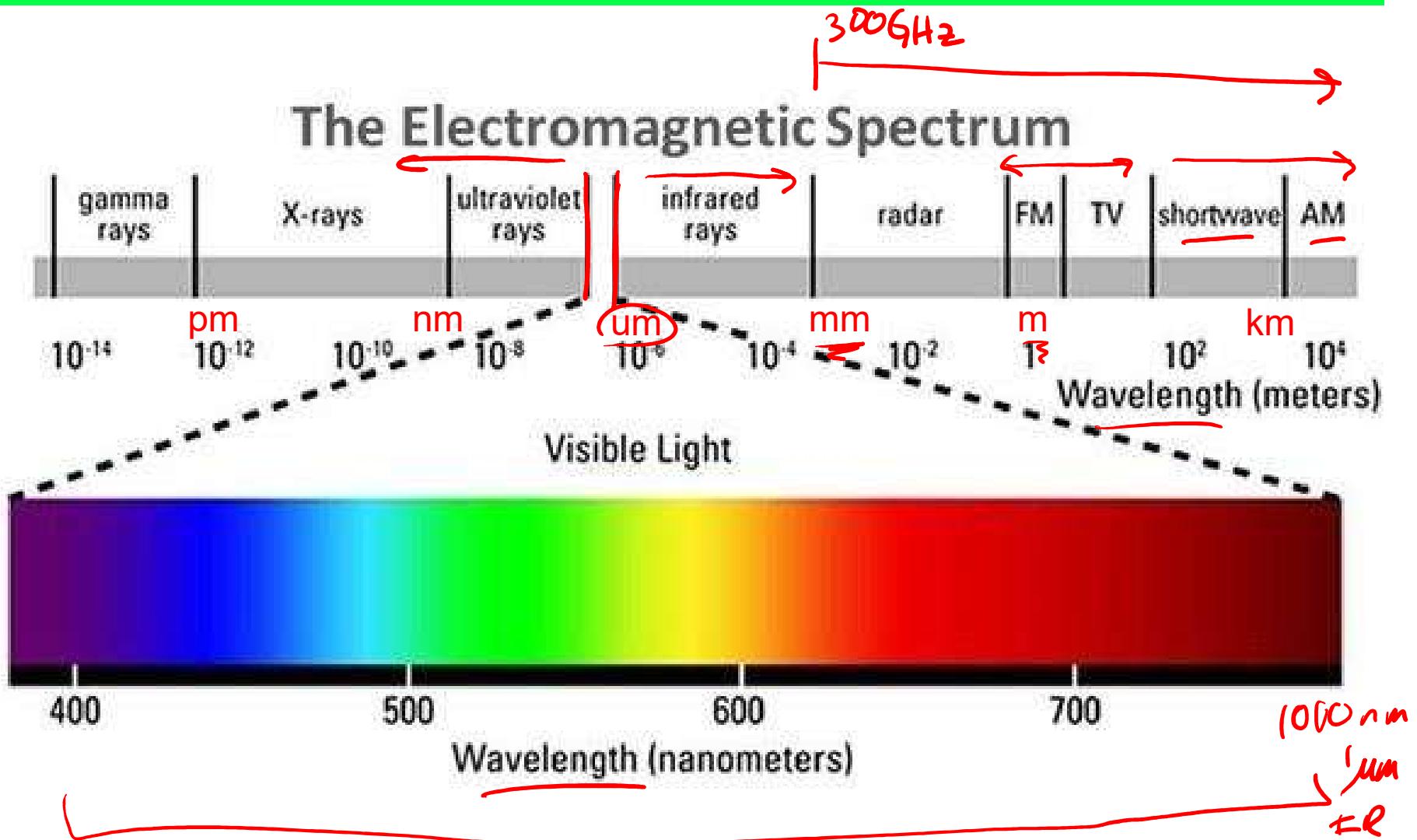
Electromagnetic Wave



$$E(r, t) = \underbrace{\text{Re}\{E_0 e^{i(\omega t - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} + \Phi)}\}}$$

- Speed of propagation in a vacuum: $c = \underline{3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}$
- $\underline{c = \lambda * f}$; λ = wavelength (m); f = frequency (Hz=1/s)
- The EM wave intensity changes in time and with location

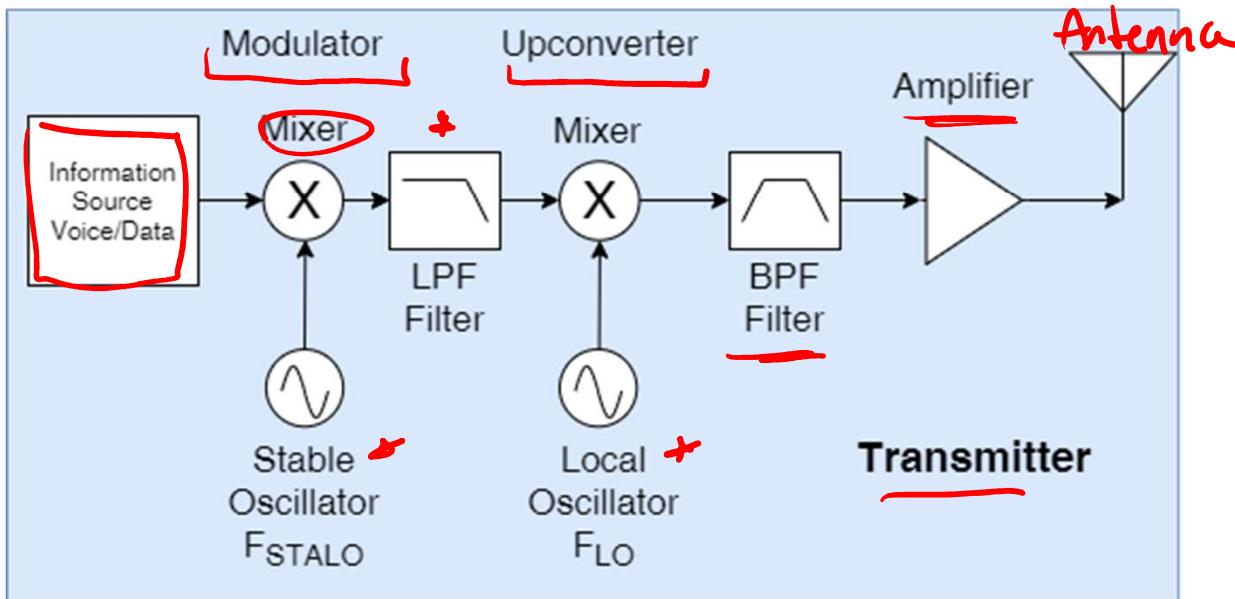
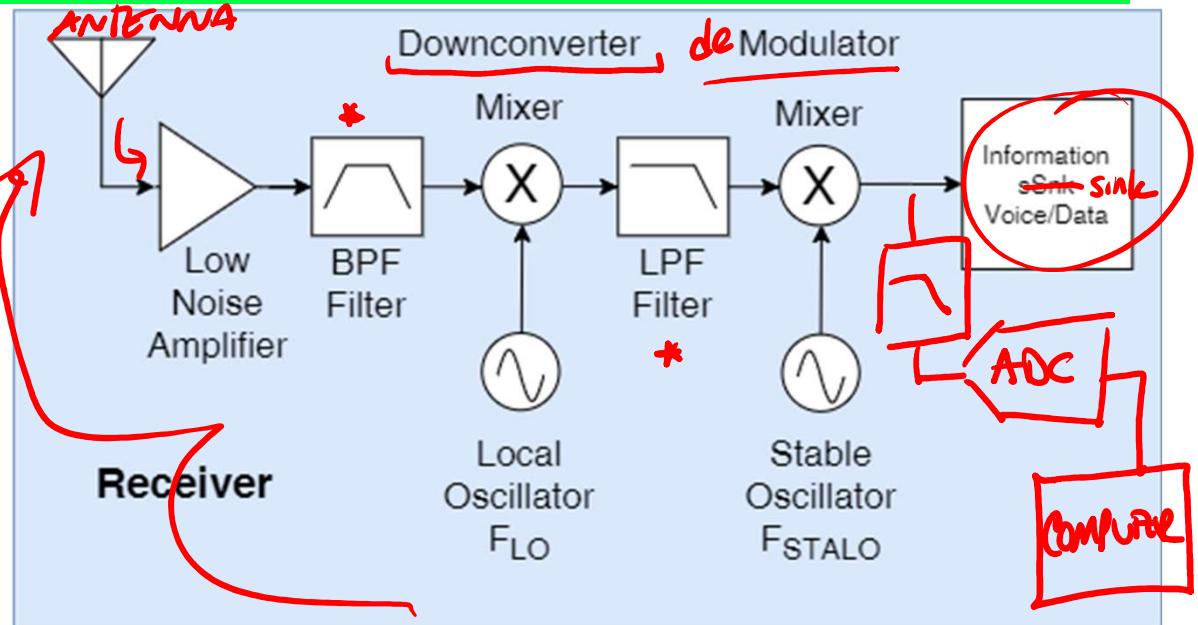
Electromagnetic Spectrum



Wireless Communication System Architecture

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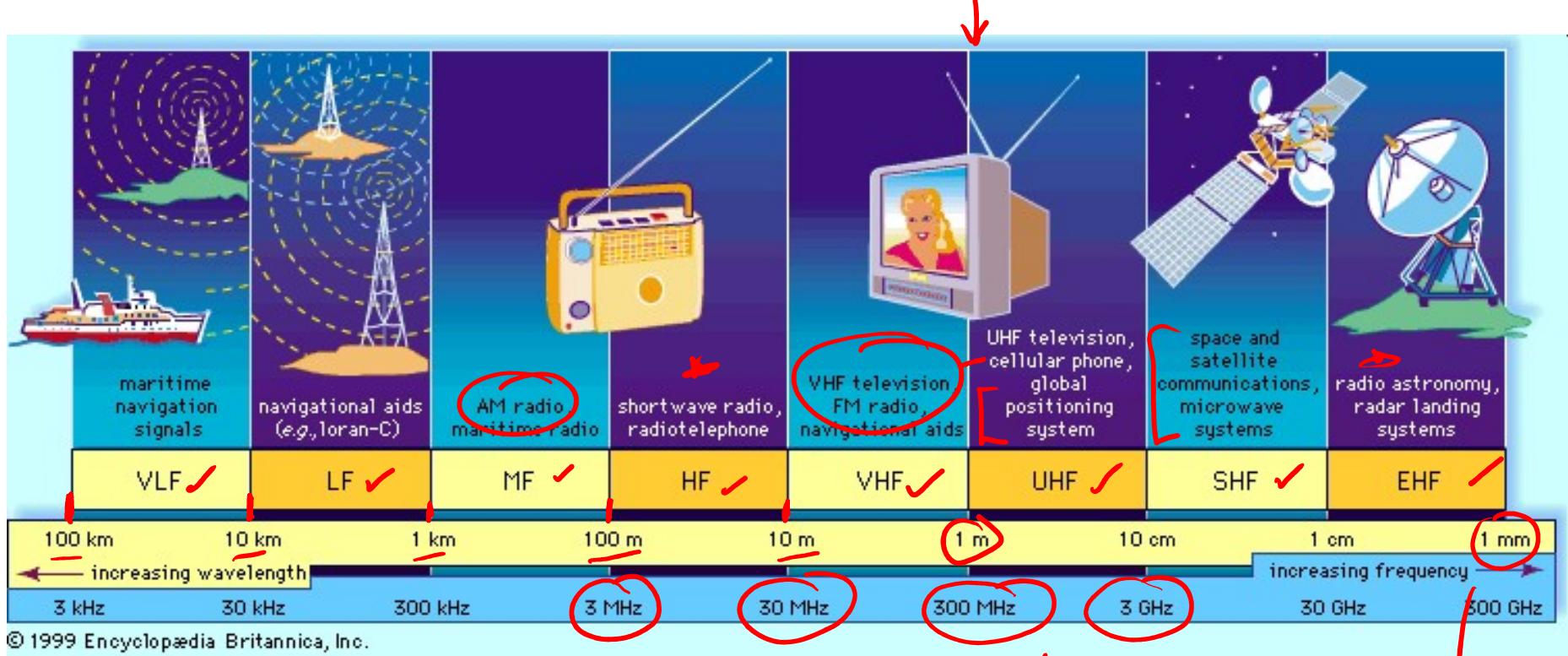
- Mixing *
- Analog Modulation
- Analog Demodulation
- Active Filtering *
- Digital Filtering *



Lab 11 Topics

- Antennas
- Digital Modulation
- Noise
- Propagation
- Link budgets
- Bit errors

Radio Spectrum



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V - very

L - low

F. frequency

M - medium

V - ULTRA

S - super

E - extremely

mmWave

UNITED

STATES FREQUENCY ALLOCATIONS THE RADIO SPECTRUM



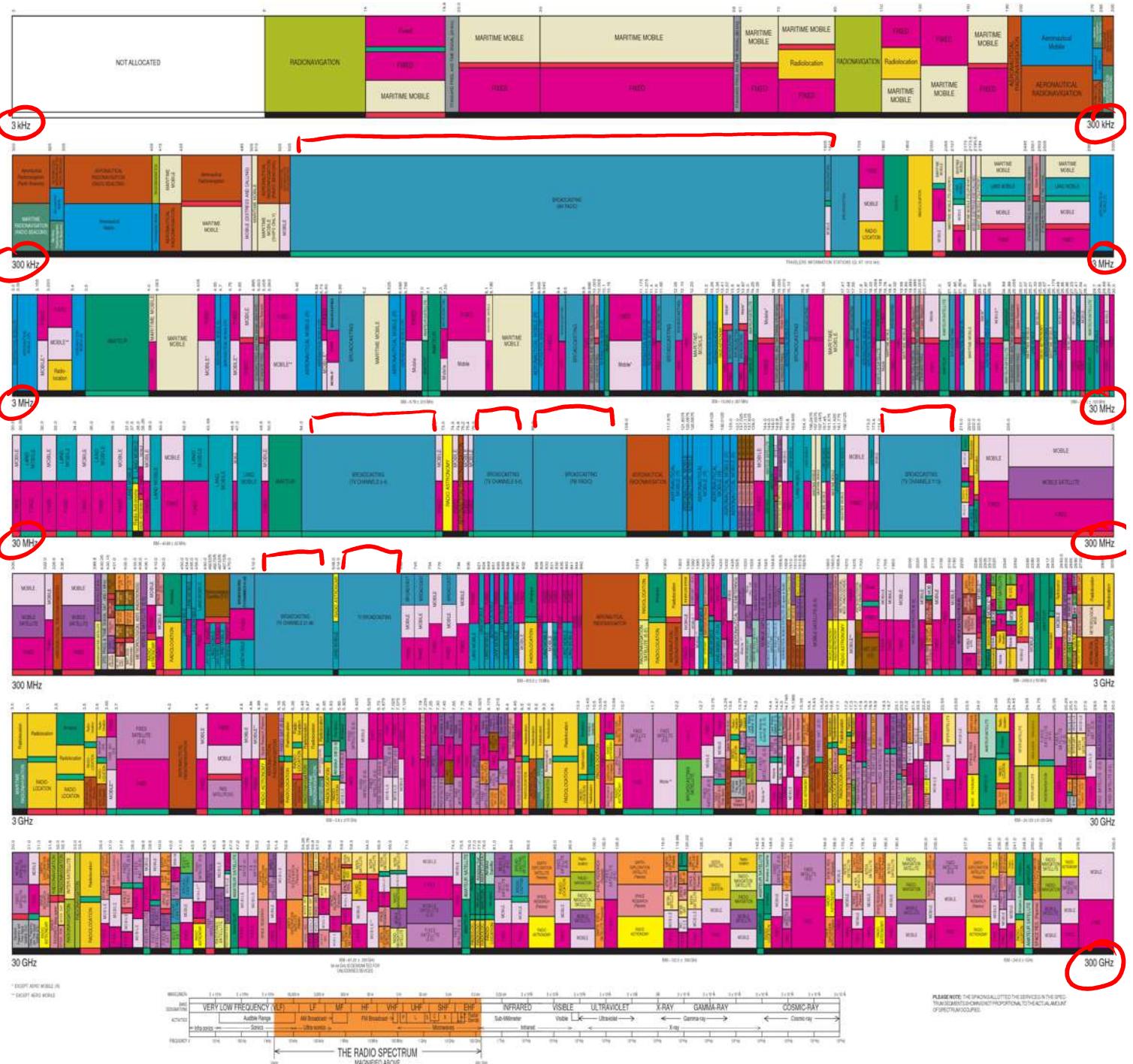
ACTIVITY CODE

- █ GOVERNMENT EXCLUSIVE
- █ GOVERNMENT/NON-GOVERNMENT SHARED

ALLOCATION USAGE DESIGNATION

SERVICE	EXAMPLE	DESCRIPTION
Primary	FIXED	Capital Letters
Secondary	Mobile	1st Capital with lower case letters

This chart is a graphic representation of portions of the Table of Frequency Allocations used by the FCC and NTIA. It does not completely reflect all aspects, i.e., functions and recent changes made in the Table of Frequency Allocations. Therefore, for complete information, users should consult the current edition of the U.S. allocations.

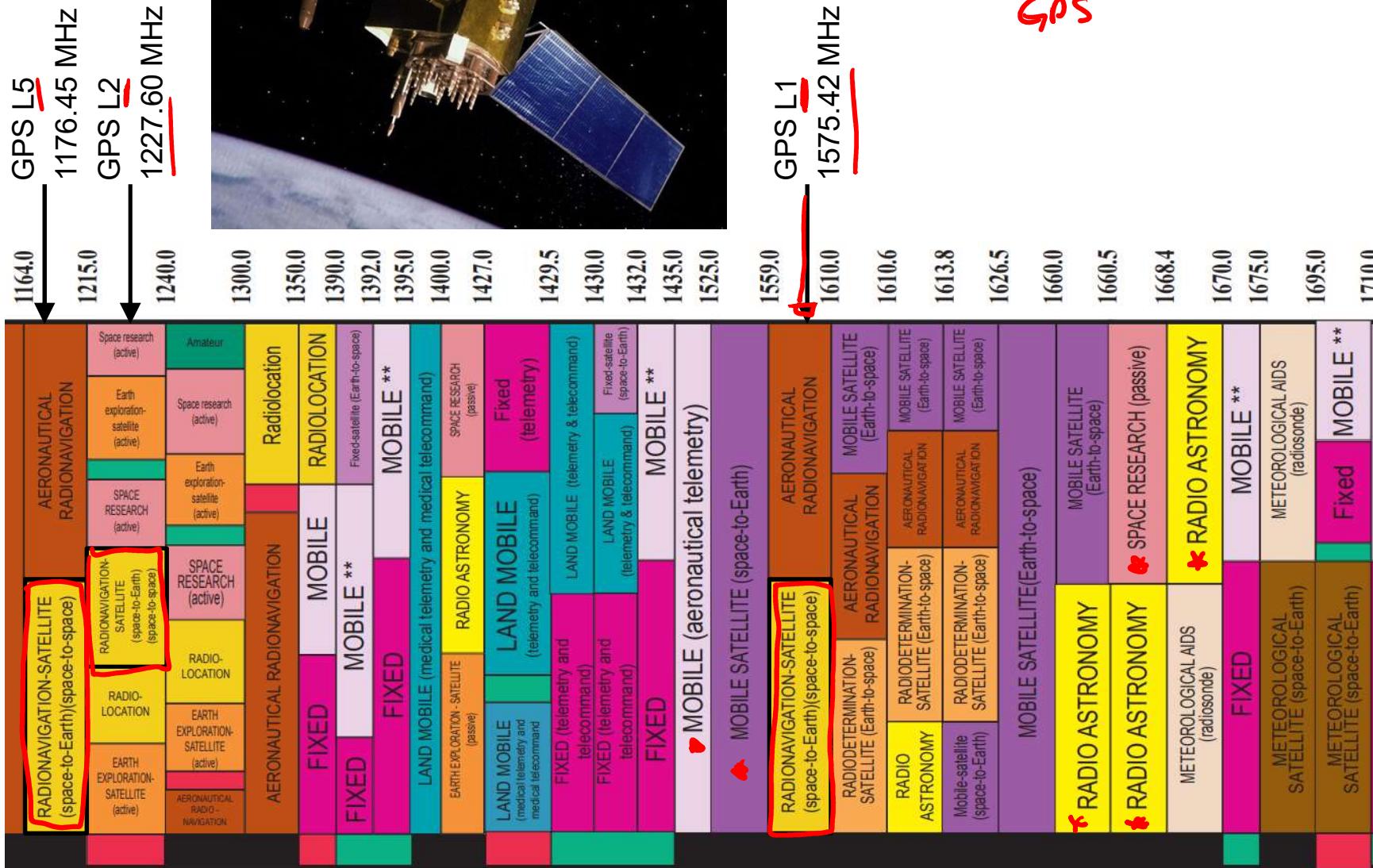


*Aerospace Relevant Bands

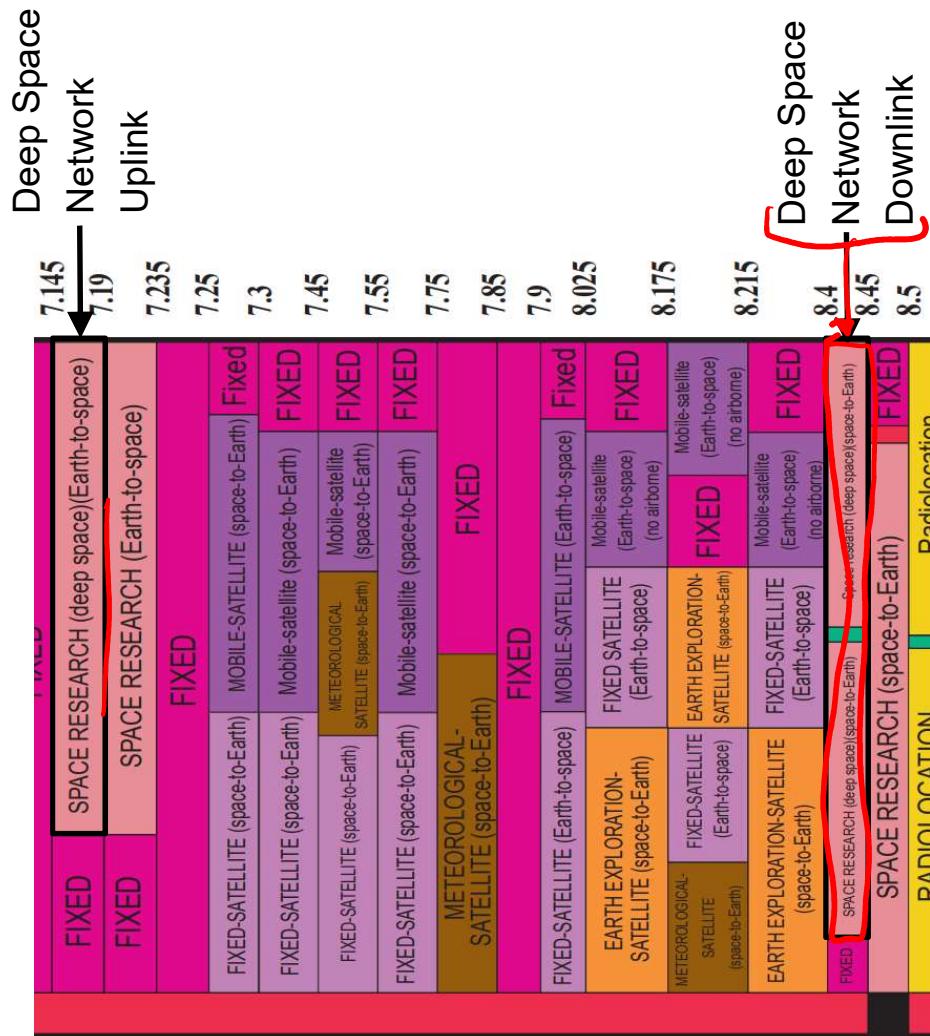
RADIO SERVICES COLOR LEGEND

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 AERONAUTICAL MOBILE SATELLITE	 LAND MOBILE	 RADIODETERMINATION SATELLITE
 AERONAUTICAL RADIONAVIGATION	 LAND MOBILE SATELLITE	 RADIOLOCATION
 AMATEUR	 MARITIME MOBILE	 RADIOLOCATION SATELLITE
 AMATEUR SATELLITE	 MARITIME MOBILE SATELLITE	 RADIONAVIGATION
 BROADCASTING	 MARITIME RADIONAVIGATION	 RADIONAVIGATION SATELLITE
 BROADCASTING SATELLITE	 METEOROLOGICAL	 SPACE OPERATION
 EARTH EXPLORATION SATELLITE	 METEOROLOGICAL SATELLITE	 SPACE RESEARCH
 FIXED	 MOBILE	 STANDARD FREQUENCY AND TIME SIGNAL
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GPS L-band Signals



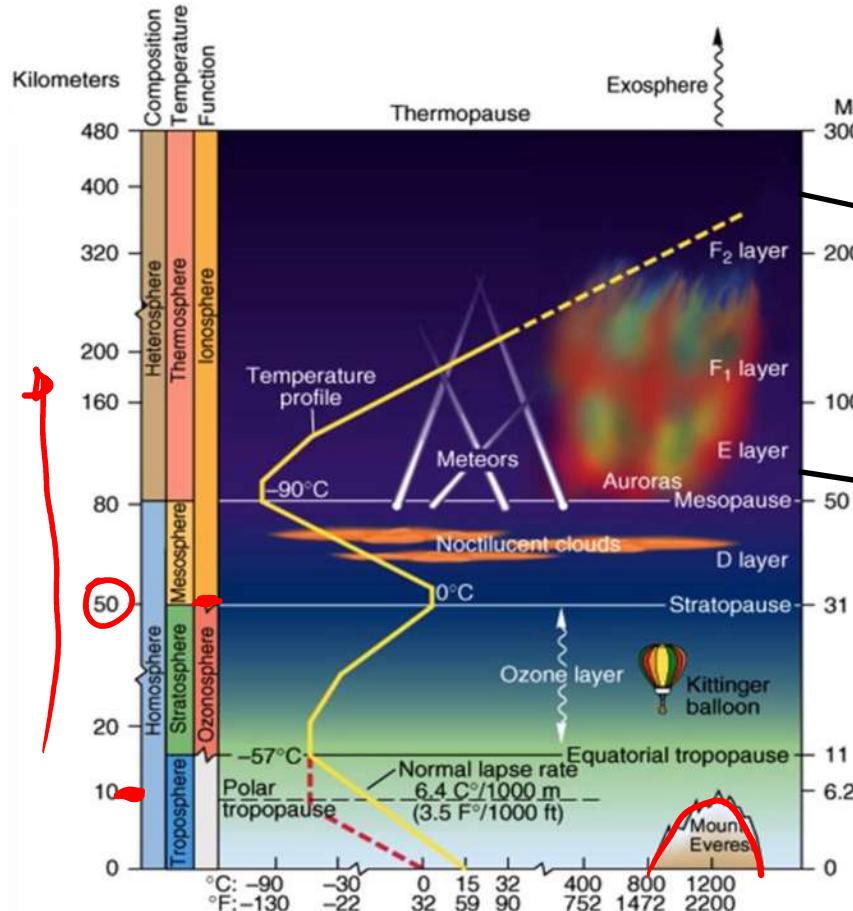
Deep Space X-band Communications



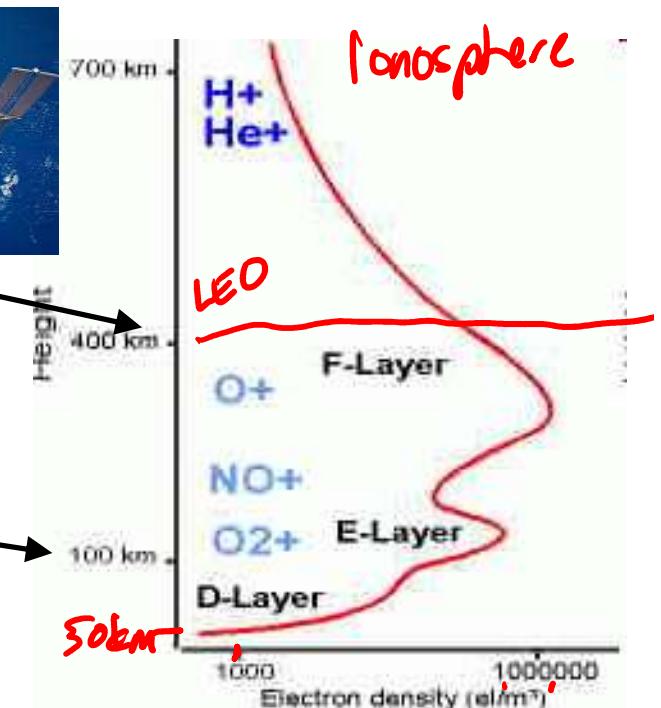
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Deep Space Network Now

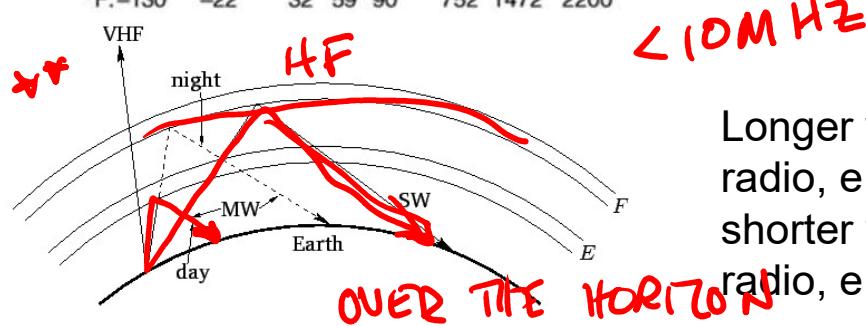
Radio Wave Propagation



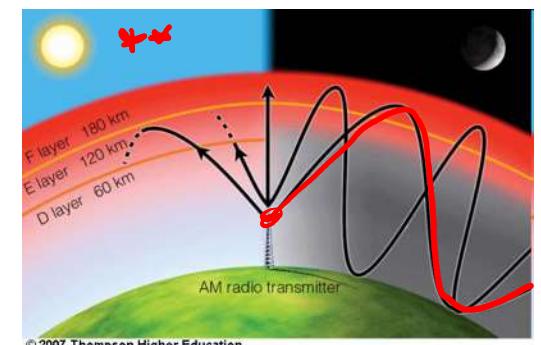
ISS @ ~400km



Plasma density in the Near Earth Space Environment (eg ionosphere)



Longer wavelengths (AM radio, e.g.) are reflected, shorter wavelengths (FM radio, e.g.) pass through.



Modes of propagation

Radio frequencies and their primary mode of propagation				
Band	Frequency	Wavelength	Propagation via	
VLF	Very Low Frequency	3–30 kHz	100–10 km	Guided between the earth and the ionosphere.
LF	Low Frequency	30–300 kHz	10–1 km	Guided between the earth and the D layer of the ionosphere. Surface waves.
MF	Medium Frequency	300–3000 kHz	1000–100 m	Surface waves. E, F layer ionospheric refraction at night, when D layer absorption weakens.
HF	High Frequency (Short Wave)	3–30 MHz	100–10 m	E layer ionospheric refraction. F1, F2 layer ionospheric refraction.
VHF	Very High Frequency	30–300 MHz	10–1 m	Infrequent E ionospheric refraction. Extremely rare F1, F2 layer ionospheric refraction during high sunspot activity up to 80 MHz. Generally direct wave. Sometimes tropospheric ducting.
UHF	Ultra High Frequency	300–3000 MHz	100–10 cm	Direct wave. Sometimes tropospheric ducting.
SHF	Super High Frequency	3–30 GHz	10–1 cm	Direct wave.
EHF	Extremely High Frequency	30–300 GHz	10–1 mm	Direct wave limited by absorption.

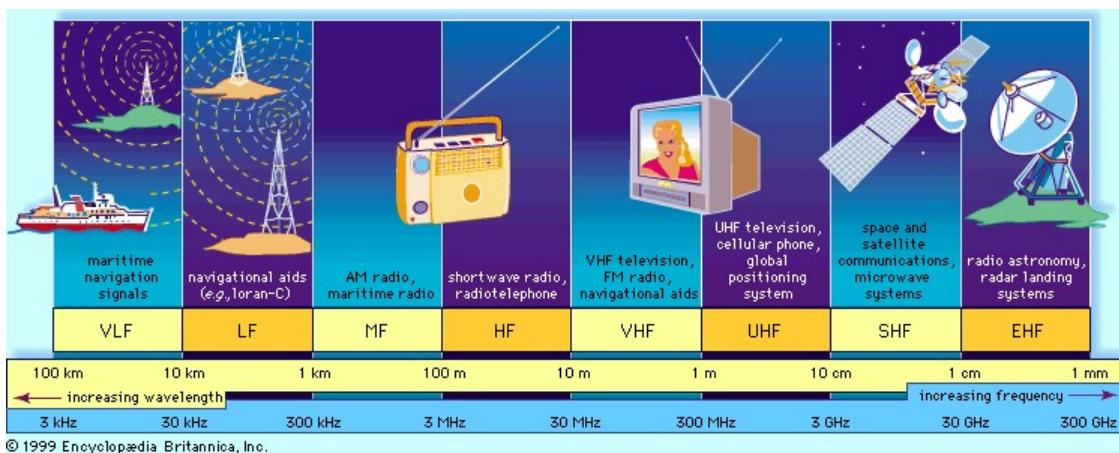


3 basic propagation modes:

1. Surface wave *
2. Ionospheric modes *
3. Direct wave (line of sight)

IEEE Band Nomenclature

- L-band [1-2 GHz] **GPS**
- S-band [2-4 GHz]
- C-band [4-8 GHz]
- X-band [8-12 GHz] **DSN**
- Ku-band [12-18 GHz]
- **K-band** [18-27 GHz]
- **Ka-band** [27-40 GHz] /
- **Q-band** [33-50 GHz]
- **V-band** [40-75 GHz] /
- **W-band** [75-110 GHz]



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