# ECE202 Analog Communication

Unit – 4 Noise

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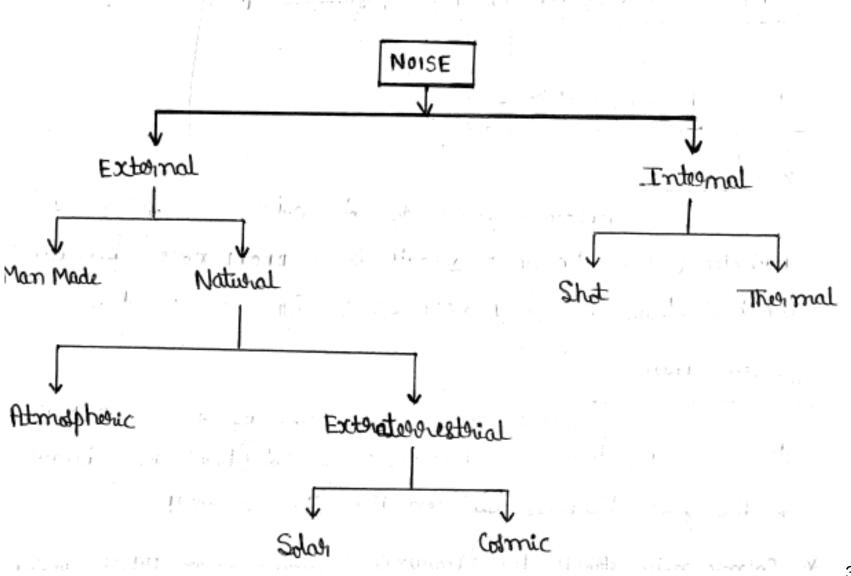
### 1. Introduction

- Noise is a general term which is used to describe an unwanted signal which affects a wanted signal. These unwanted signals arise from a variety of sources which may be considered in one of two main categories:-
- •Interference, usually from a human source (man made)
- •Naturally occurring random noise

#### **Interference**

❖ Interference arises for example, from other communication systems (cross talk), 50 Hz supplies (hum) and harmonics, switched mode power supplies, thyristor circuits, ignition (car spark plugs) motors ... etc.

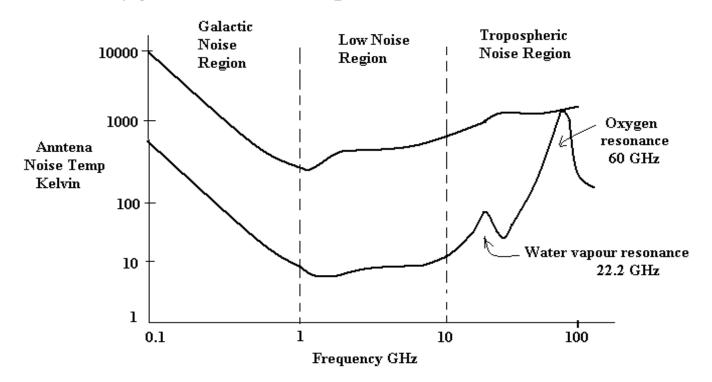
### **Noise Classification**



## Introduction (Cont'd)

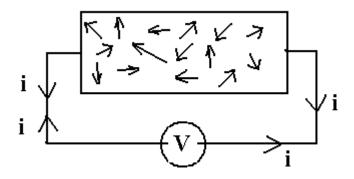
#### **Natural Noise**

Naturally occurring external noise sources include atmosphere disturbance (e.g. electric storms, lighting, ionospheric effect etc), so called '*Sky Noise*' or Cosmic noise which includes noise from galaxy, solar noise and 'hot spot' due to oxygen and water vapour resonance in the earth's atmosphere.



## 2. Thermal Noise (Johnson Noise)

This type of noise is generated by all resistances (e.g. a resistor, semiconductor, the resistance of a resonant circuit, i.e. the real part of the impedance, cable etc).



Experimental results (by Johnson) and theoretical studies (by Nyquist) give the mean square noise voltage as \_

$$V^2 = 4kTB_NR (volt^2)$$

Where  $k = Boltzmann's constant = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} Joules per K$ 

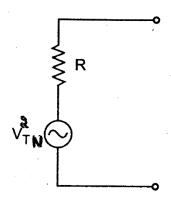
T = absolute temperature

 $B_N$  = Noise bandwidth measured in (Hz)

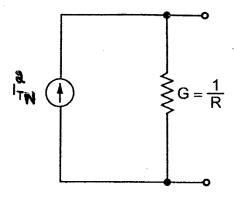
R = resistance (ohms)

**▶** Figure

Equivalent noise sources for thermal noise



(a) Thevenin equivalent circuit



(b) Norton equivalent circuit

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The mean-Square value of the Noise Custert generales is:

$$\underline{T}_{TN}^{a} = \frac{V_{TN}^{a}}{R^{a}} = \frac{4KTB_{N}R}{R^{a}} = 4KTB_{N} \frac{1}{R}$$

Where,  $G_1 = \frac{1}{R}$  is the Conductance.

#### Available Noise power:

\* The Root-mean Square value of the reoltage Verns across the matched

Load R 4

V<sub>RMS</sub> = 
$$\frac{\sqrt{V_{IN}^2}}{2}$$

\* The maximum average Noise power delivered to the Load is:

$$P_{m} = \frac{V_{RMS}^{a}}{R} = \frac{V_{IN}^{a}}{4R} = \frac{4RTB_{N}R}{4R}$$

Thus, the available Noise power Pa is equal to KTBN & is independent of 'R'.

1) RMS Noise voltage:

a) Thermal Noise power

is calculate the rims noise voltage and thornal noise power appearing across a 20 Kr. resister at 25°C temperature with an effective noise bandwidth of 10 KH3.

A Treceiveer has a noise power bandwidth of 12 KHZ. A resisted which matches with the receiveer Ip Impedance is connected across the artenna terminals. What is the noise power contributed by this resisted in the received bandwidth? Assume temperature to be 30°c.

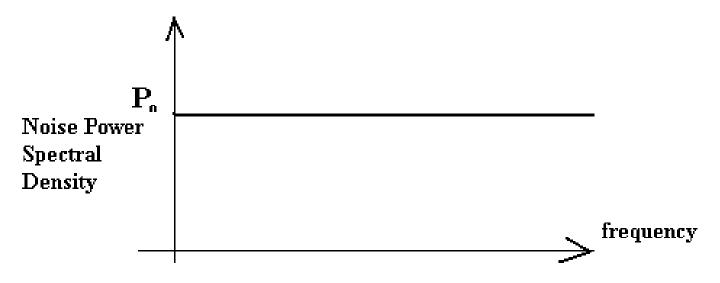
Sel:- Given: 
$$R = 30 \text{ Kr}$$
,  $T = 373 + 25 = 398 \text{ K}$ ,  $B_N = 10 \text{ KH} 3$ ,  $K = 1 \cdot 38 \times 10^{23}$ 
 $\times \text{ V}_{TN} = \sqrt{4 \text{KT} B_N R} = \sqrt{4 \times 1 \cdot 38 \times 10^{23} \times 398 \times 10 \times 10^{3}}$ 
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# 2. Thermal Noise (Johnson Noise) (Cont'd)

The law relating noise power,  $P_N$ , to the temperature and bandwidth is

$$P_N = k TB watts$$

Thermal noise is often referred to as 'white noise' because it has a uniform 'spectral density'.



**Uniform Noise Power Spectral Density** 

## 2. Thermal Noise (Johnson Noise) (Cont'd)

#### Noise power in decibels:

Signal power is often measured in dBm (decibels relative to 1 milliwatt, assuming a 50 ohm load). From the equation above, noise power in a resistor at room temperature, in dBm, is then:

$$P_{\rm dBm} = 10 \log_{10}(k_B T \Delta f \times 1000)$$

where the factor of 1000 is present because the power is given in milliwatts, rather than watts. This equation can be simplified by separating the constant parts from the bandwidth:

$$P_{\rm dBm} = 10 \log_{10}(k_B T \times 1000) + 10 \log(\Delta f)$$

which is more commonly seen approximated as:

$$P_{\rm dBm} = -174 + 10 \log_{10}(\Delta f)$$

# 2. Thermal Noise (Johnson Noise) (Cont'd)

Noise power at different bandwidths is then simple to calculate:

Bandwidth (Δf)	Thermal noise power	Notes
1 Hz	-174 dBm	
10 Hz	-164 dBm	
100 Hz	-154 dBm	
1 kHz	-144 dBm	
10 kHz	-134 dBm	FM channel of 2-way radio
100 kHz	-124 dBm	
180 kHz	-121.45 dBm	One LTE resource block
200 kHz	-120.98 dBm	One GSM channel (ARFCN)
1 MHz	-114 dBm	
2 MHz	-111 dBm	Commercial GPS channel
6 MHz	-106 dBm	Analog television channel
20 MHz	-101 dBm	WLAN 802.11 channel

### 3. Shot Noise

- Shot noise was originally used to describe noise due to random fluctuations in electron emission from cathodes in vacuum tubes (called shot noise by analogy with lead shot).
- Shot noise also occurs in semiconductors due to the liberation of charge carriers.
- For pn junctions the mean square shot noise current is

$$I_n^2 = 2(I_{DC} + 2I_o)q_e B$$
  $(amps)^2$ 

Where

 $T_{DC}$  is the direct current as the pn junction (amps)  $I_o$  is the reverse saturation current (amps)  $q_e$  is the electron charge =  $1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  coulombs B is the effective noise bandwidth (Hz)

• Shot noise is found to have a uniform spectral density as for thermal noise

# 4. Low Frequency or Flicker Noise

Active devices, integrated circuit, diodes, transistors etc also exhibits a low frequency noise, which is frequency dependent (i.e. non uniform) known as flicker noise or 'one - over - f' noise.

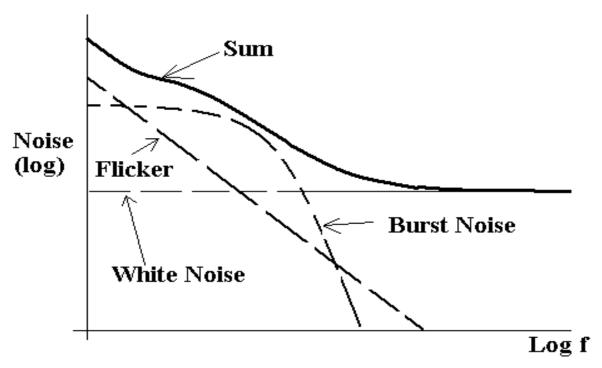
### 5. Excess Resistor Noise

Thermal noise in resistors does not vary with frequency, as previously noted, by many resistors also generates as additional frequency dependent noise referred to as excess noise.

## 6. Burst Noise or Popcorn Noise

Some semiconductors also produce burst or popcorn noise with a spectral density which is proportional to  $\left(\frac{1}{f}\right)^2$ 

### 7. General Comments



For frequencies below a few KHz (low frequency systems), flicker and popcorn noise are the most significant, but these may be ignored at higher frequencies where 'white' noise predominates.

### 8. Noise Evaluation

The essence of calculations and measurements is to determine the signal power to Noise power ratio, i.e. the (S/N) ratio or (S/N) expression in dB.  $\left(\frac{S}{NT}\right) = \frac{S}{NT}$ 

$$\left(\frac{S}{N}\right)_{dB} = 10 \log_{10}\left(\frac{S}{N}\right)$$

$$Also recall that$$

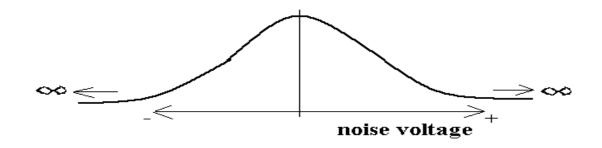
$$S_{dBm} = 10 \log_{10}\left(\frac{S(mW)}{1mW}\right)$$

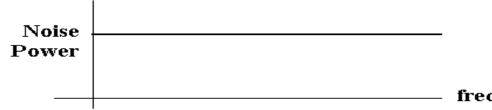
$$and \ N_{dBm} = 10 \log_{10}\left(\frac{N(mW)}{1mW}\right)$$

$$i.e. \left(\frac{S}{N}\right)_{dB} = 10 \log_{10}S - 10 \log_{10}N$$

$$\left(\frac{S}{N}\right)_{dB} = S_{dBm} - N_{dBm}$$

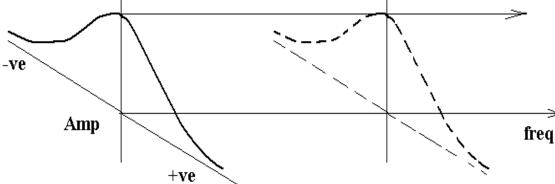
# 8. Noise Evaluation (Cont'd)





The probability of amplitude of noise at any frequency or in any band of frequencies (e.g. 1 Hz, 10Hz... 100 KHz .etc) is a Gaussian distribution

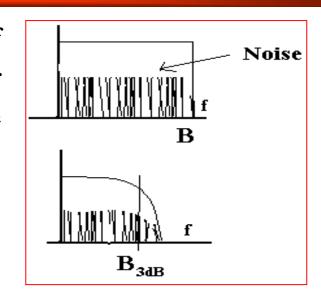
distribution.



### 8. Noise Bandwidth

Noise may be quantified in terms of noise power spectral density, p<sub>o</sub> watts per Hz, from which Noise power N may be expressed as

$$N = p_0 B_n$$
 watts



#### Ideal low pass filter

Bandwidth B  $Hz = B_n$ 

 $N = p_o B_n$  watts

#### **Practical LPF**

3 dB bandwidth shown, but noise does not suddenly cease at  $\,B_{3dB}\,$ 

Therefore,  $B_n > B_{3dB}$ ,  $B_n$  depends on actual filter.

$$N = p_0 B_n$$

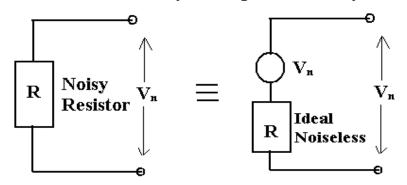
In general the equivalent noise bandwidth is  $> B_{3dB}$ .

For RC LPF, 
$$B_n = \frac{\pi f_c}{2}$$

### 9. Analysis of Noise In Communication Systems

#### Thermal Noise (Johnson noise)

This thermal noise may be represented by an equivalent circuit as shown below



$$\overline{V^2} = 4kTBR (volt^2)$$

(mean square value, power)

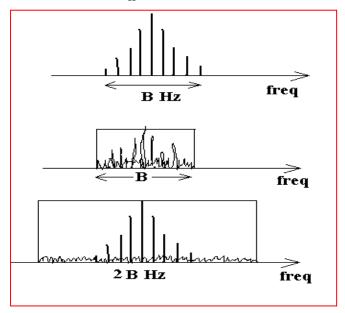
then 
$$V_{RMS} = \sqrt{\overline{V^2}} = 2\sqrt{kTBR} = V_n$$

i.e.  $V_n$  is the RMS noise voltage.

- A) System BW = B Hz N= Constant B (watts) = KB
- B) System BW N= Constant 2B (watts) = K2B

For A, 
$$\frac{S}{N} = \frac{S}{KB}$$

For B, 
$$\frac{S}{N} = \frac{S}{K2B}$$



### 9. Analysis of Noise In Communication Systems (Cont'd)

#### **Resistors in Series**

Assume that  $R_1$  at temperature  $T_1$  and  $R_2$  at temperature  $T_2$  then

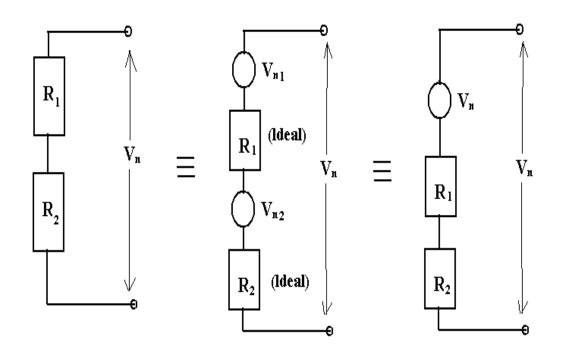
$$\overline{V_{n}^{2}} = \overline{V}_{n1}^{2} + \overline{V}_{n2}^{2}$$

$$\overline{V_{n1}^{2}} = 4kT_{1}BR_{1}$$

$$\overline{V_{n2}^{2}} = 4kT_{2}BR_{2}$$

$$\therefore \overline{V_n^2} = 4k B (T_1 R_1 + T_2 R_2)$$

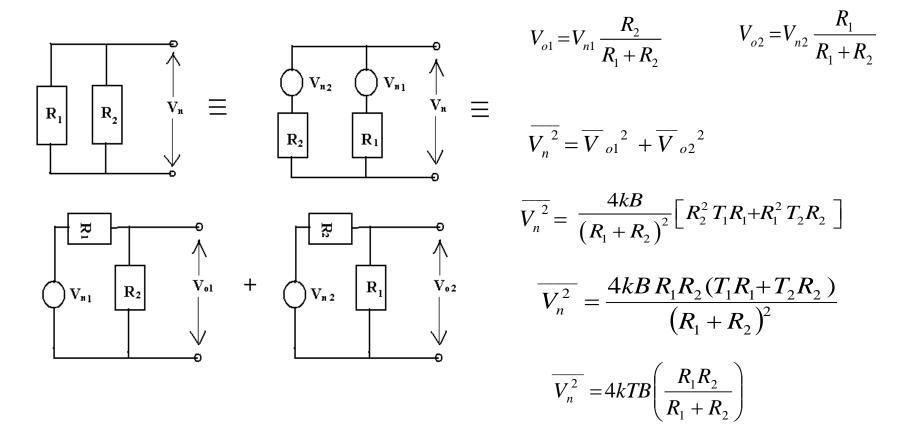
$$\overline{V_n^2} = 4kT B (R_1 + R_2)$$



i.e. The resistor in series at same temperature behave as a single resistor

#### 9. Analysis of Noise In Communication Systems (Cont'd)

#### **Resistance in Parallel**



3) A 600 n Persister is connected about the Good antenna input of a hadio received. The bandwidth of the hadio received is 20KHz & the resister is at hom temperature of 27°c. calculate the noise power of the noise restage applied at the Ip of the received.

Since the two religibles are in parallel

- 1) Three 5 kn relitter one Connected in Series. For twom temperature KT = 4x10 21 & an effective noise bandwidth of 1MHz, determine
  - a) The noise voltage appealing across each hefitter.
  - b) The noise voltage appearing alress the Series Combination.
  - What is the hims noise roottage which appears alross Same there heritage Connected in parallel under the Same Conditions?

$$\frac{1}{Rp} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} = \frac{1}{5kn} + \frac{1}{5kn} + \frac{1}{5kn} = \frac{1}{6xi_0^{4+}}$$

# Signal to Noise Ratio

The signal to noise ratio is given by

$$\frac{S}{N} = \frac{Signal\ Power}{Noise\ Power}$$

The signal to noise in dB is expressed by

$$\left(\frac{S}{N}\right)_{dB} = 10\log_{10}\left(\frac{S}{N}\right)$$

$$\left(\frac{S}{N}\right)_{dB} = S_{dBm} - N_{dBm} \text{ for S and N measured in mW.}$$

## Noise Factor- Noise Figure

Consider the network shown below,



## Noise Factor- Noise Figure (Cont'd)

• The amount of noise added by the network is embodied in the Noise Factor F, which is defined by

Noise factor 
$$F = \frac{\left(\frac{S}{N}\right)_{IN}}{\left(\frac{S}{N}\right)_{OUT}}$$

- F equals to 1 for noiseless network and in general F > 1. The noise figure in the noise factor quoted in dB i.e. Noise Figure F dB =  $10 \log 10 F$   $F \ge 0 dB$
- The noise figure / factor is the measure of how much a network degrades the  $(S/N)_{IN}$ , the lower the value of F, the better the network.

# Noise Factor - Noise Figure

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\* The Noise Facter 'F' of an amplifier on any Network is defined interms

of Signal to Noise hatio is defined as:

Noise factor, 
$$F = \frac{\text{available SIN power ratio at the IJP}}{\text{available SIN power ratio at the OJP}} = \frac{\text{(SNR)}_i}{\text{(SNR)}_o}$$

$$F = \frac{P_{Si}/P_{rii}}{P_{So}/P_{rno}}$$

$$F = \frac{P_{Si}}{P_{ni}} \times \frac{P_{no}}{P_{So}} \longrightarrow 0$$

\* In general any amplifier will add Noise to the Ilp Signal,

Therefore the SNR at the olp of the amplifier is Less than the

SNR at the Ilp. Hence the Noise factor is a measure of degradation

of the Signal to Noise ratio or the amount of noise added by the SIM.

# Noise Factor - Noise Figure

\* The available power gain 'G' is given by

$$G = \frac{P_{so}}{P_{si}} \longrightarrow \mathfrak{D}$$

from eq 10, we can ne-othange

$$F = \frac{P_{St}}{P_{So}} \times \frac{P_{mo}}{P_{mi}} \longrightarrow 3$$

Substituting ear 1 in ear 3, we get

W.K.T the Noise power at I/p, Pri = KTBN

Thus With increase in the Noise factor 'F', the noise power at the off will increase.

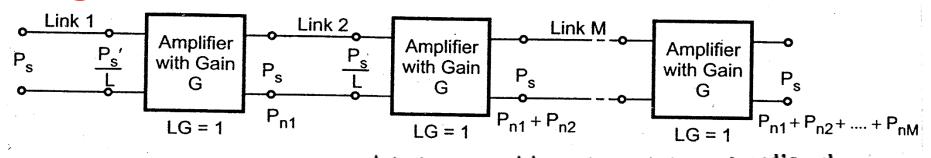
## Noise Factor - Noise Figure

## NOISE Figure:-

\* When noise factor is expressed in decibels, it is called Noise figure.

\* The Ideal value of Noise figure is OdB.

# Signal to Noise ratio of Tandem Connection



\* In telephone Systems, telephone Cables are used as media to thansmit Signals. The Signals gets attenuated as it through
telephone Cables due to power loss in the telephone Cables. To make
up this power loss the Signal is amplified Such that, if the power
loss of a line Section is 'L', then the amplified power gain 'G' is
Chosen So that LG = 1.

\* A long telephone line is divided into equal Sections called

\* As Signals thankel thorough these links, each amplifier adds its

Therefore at the receiving end we get the accumulated Noise power as Shown in Fig above.

# Signal to Noise ratio of Tandem Connection

X The total Noise power at the old of the Mth Link is  $P_n = P_{n1} + P_{n2} + P_{n3} + \cdots + P_{nm}$ 

Where,

Pn1 = Noise power added at the end of  $1^{St}$  Link

Pn2 = Noise power added at the end of  $3^{nd}$  Link.

Pn3 = Noise power added at the end of  $3^{nd}$  Link.

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\* It links one identical Such that each link adds Noise power Pn then the Lotal Noise power is given as:

# Signal to Noise ratio of Tandem Connection

... The olp Signal to Noise natio is:

$$\frac{\left(\frac{S}{N}\right)_{M}}{M} \frac{dB}{dB} = \frac{10 \log \left(\frac{P_{S}}{P_{T}}\right)}{\frac{P_{S}}{M}} = \frac{10 \log \left(\frac{P_{S}}{P_{T}}\right)}{\frac{P_{S}}{M}} - \frac{10 \log \left(\frac{P_{S}}{P_{T}}\right)}{\frac{P_{S}}{M}} - \frac{10 \log \left(\frac{P_{S}}{M}\right)}{\frac{P_{S}}{M}} = \frac{\left(\frac{S}{N}\right)_{M}}{M} \frac{dB}{dB} - \frac{M}{M} \frac{dB}{dB}}$$

Where,  $(M)_{dB} \rightarrow \text{Signal to Noise hatio at the end of M-links}$   $\left(\frac{S}{N}\right)_{1dB} \rightarrow \text{Signal to Noise hatio at the end of } 1^{St} \text{ Link.}$ 

1) The Signal power & Noise power measured at the Ilp of an amplifier one 150 MW & 1.5 MW respectively. If the Signal power at the olp 1.5 M & Noise power is 40 mm, calculate the amplifier noise factor & Noise Figure.

\* Noise Factor 
$$F' = \frac{P_{Si}}{P_{mi}} \times \frac{P_{mo}}{P_{So}}$$

$$= \frac{150 \times 10^{-6}}{1.5 \times 10^{-6}} \times \frac{40 \times 10^{-3}}{1.5}$$

$$F = 3.666$$

3) The Signal to Noise India at the Ip of an amplifier is 40 dB. If the Noise Figure of an amplifier is 30 dB, calculate the Signal to Noise nation in dB at the amplifier op.

# Equivalent Noise Temperature

 $N_{IN}$  is the 'external' noise from the source i.e.  $N_{IN} = kT_S B_n$ 

 $T_S$  is the equivalent noise temperature of the source (usually 290K).

We may also write  $N_e = kT_e B_n$ , where  $T_e$  is the equivalent noise temperature of

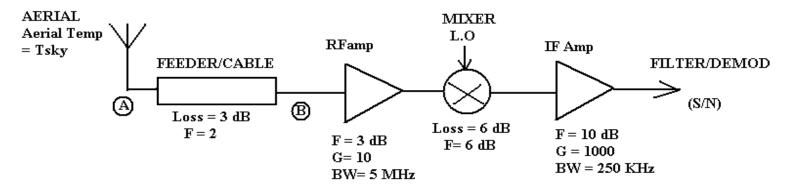
the element i.e. with noise factor F and with source temperature  $T_S$ .

i.e. 
$$kT_e B_n = (F-1) kT_S B_n$$

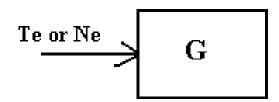
or 
$$T_e = (\text{F-1})T_S$$

### Cascaded Network

❖ A receiver systems usually consists of a number of passive or active elements connected in series. A typical receiver block diagram is shown below, with example



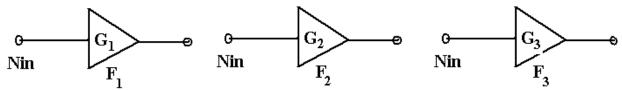
- ❖ In order to determine the (S/N) at the input, the overall receiver noise figure or noise temperature must be determined.
- ❖ In order to do this all the noise must be referred to the same point in the receiver, for example to A, the feeder input or B, the input to the first amplifier.



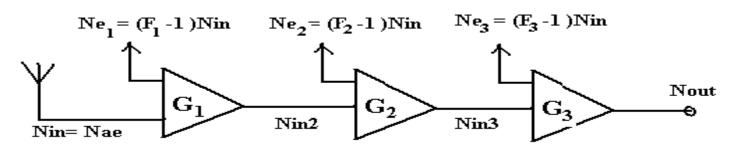
 $T_e$  or  $N_e$  is the noise referred to the input.

# System Noise Figure

Assume that a system comprises the elements shown below,



Assume that these are now cascaded and connected to an aerial at the input, with  $N_{IN} = N_{ae}$  from the aerial.



Now, 
$$N_{OUT} = G_3 (N_{IN3} + N_{e3})$$
  
 $= G_3 (N_{IN3} + (F_3 - 1)N_{IN})$   
Since  $N_{IN3} = G_2 (N_{IN2} + N_{e2}) = G_2 (N_{IN2} + (F_2 - 1)N_{IN})$   
similarly  $N_{IN2} = G_1 (N_{ae} + (F_1 - 1)N_{IN})$ 

# System Noise Figure (Cont'd)

$$N_{OUT} = G_3 \left[ G_2 \left[ G_1 N_{ae} + G_1 (F_1 - 1) N_{IN} \right] + G_2 (F_2 - 1) N_{IN} \right] + G_3 (F_3 - 1) N_{IN}$$

The overall system Noise Factor is

$$F_{sys} = \frac{N_{OUT}}{GN_{IN}} = \frac{N_{OUT}}{G_1 G_2 G_3 N_{ae}}$$

$$= 1 + (F_1 - 1) \frac{N_{IN}}{N_{ae}} + \frac{(F_2 - 1)}{G_1} \frac{N_{IN}}{N_{ae}} + \frac{(F_3 - 1)}{G_1 G_2} \frac{N_{IN}}{N_{ae}}$$

If we assume  $N_{ae}$  is  $\approx N_{I\!N}$ , i.e. we would measure and specify  $F_{sys}$  under similar conditions as  $F_1, F_2$  etc (i.e. at 290 K), then for n elements in cascade.

$$F_{sys} = F_1 + \frac{(F_2 - 1)}{G_1} + \frac{(F_3 - 1)}{G_1 G_2} + \frac{(F_4 - 1)}{G_1 G_2 G_3} + \dots + \frac{(F_n - 1)}{G_1 G_2 \dots G_{n-1}}$$

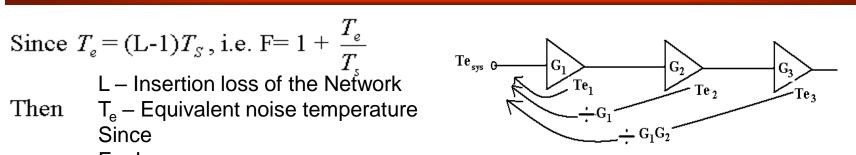
The equation is called **FRIIS** Formula.

# System Noise Temperature

Since 
$$T_e = (L-1)T_S$$
, i.e.  $F = 1 + \frac{T_e}{T_s}$ 

Since

$$F = L$$



$$F_{ ext{sys}} = 1 + rac{T_{e\, ext{sys}}}{T_{ ext{s}}}$$

 $F_{\rm sys} = 1 + \frac{T_{\rm e\,sys}}{T_{\rm s}} \qquad \begin{cases} where\, T_{\rm e\,sys} \,\, is \,\, the \,\, equivalent\, Noise \,\, temperature \,\, of \,\, the \,\, system \\ and\, T_{\rm s} \,\, is \,\, the \,\, noise \,\, temperature \,\, of \,\, the \,\, source \end{cases}$ 

and

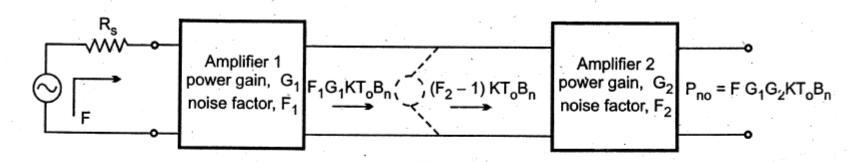
$$\left(1 + \frac{T_{e\,\text{sys}}}{T_{\text{s}}}\right) = \left(1 + \frac{T_{e\,\text{1}}}{T_{\text{s}}}\right) + \frac{\left(1 + \frac{T_{e\,\text{2}}}{T_{\text{s}}} - 1\right)}{G_{\text{1}}} + \dots etc$$

$$i.e. \ from F_{\text{sys}} = F_{\text{1}} + \frac{\left(F_{\text{2}} - 1\right)}{G_{\text{1}}} + \dots \dots etc$$

which gives

$$T_{e\,{\rm sys}}\,=\!T_{e1}+\frac{T_{e\,2}}{G_{1}}+\frac{T_{e\,3}}{G_{1}G_{2}}+\frac{T_{e\,4}}{G_{1}G_{2}G_{3}}+\ldots\ldots$$

# Noise Factor of two Amplifier in Cascade



\* Consider two amplifier connected in Calcade of Shown above. The - available Noise power at the olp of 1st amplifier is

\* This is avoidable to the and amplifier of and amplifier has note (F2-1) KTBN of its own at its I/p of the and amplifier is

$$P_{\text{TEQ}} = F_1G_1KTB_N + (F_2-1)KTB_N \longrightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

# Noise Factor of two Amplifier in Cascade

\* Consider and amplifier as a Noiseless amplifier With amplifier gain  $G_a$ We have  $P_{nos} = G_a P_{nis} \longrightarrow \Im$ 

Substituting ear 3 in ear 3, We get

\* WKT, the overall reoltage gain of the two amplifiers in calcade is  $G = G_1 G_{12}$  &

\* From Figure, the overall Noise power is

# Noise Factor of two Amplifier in Cascade

\* Equating eq 4 & 6, We get

$$F_{TNO} = P_{TNO2}$$

$$F_{G_1}G_2KTB_N = G_2 \left[ F_1G_1KTB_N + (F_2-1)KTB_N \right]$$

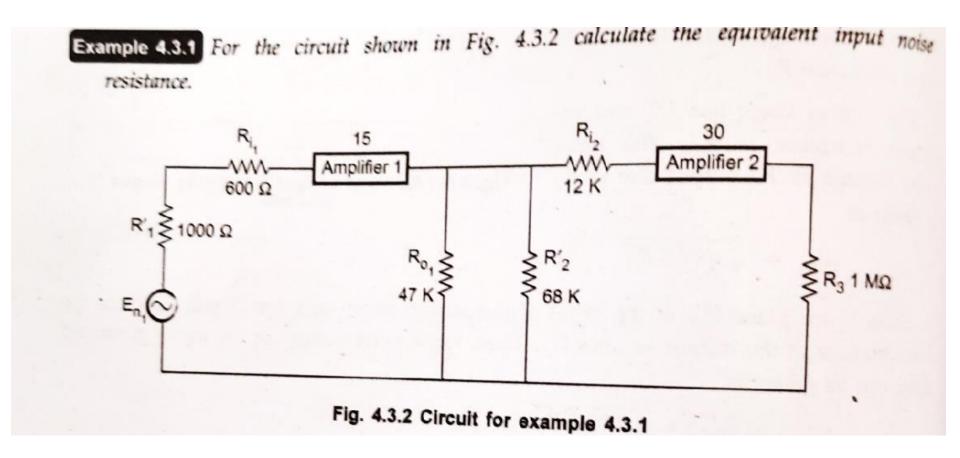
$$F = \frac{F_1G_1G_2KTB_N}{G_1G_2KTB_N} + \frac{(F_2-1)G_2KTB_N}{G_1G_2KTB_N}$$

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$$F = F_1 + \frac{(F_2-1)}{G_1}$$

By having Gi, longe, the noise Contribution of the and Stage can be made negligible.

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Example 4.3.1 For the circuit shown in Fig. 4.3.2 calculate the equivalent input noise resistance.

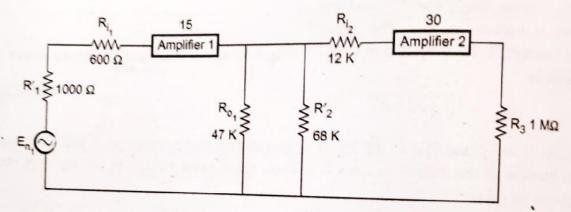


Fig. 4.3.2 Circuit for example 4.3.1

#### Solution:

$$R_1 = R'_1 + R_{i_1} = 1000 + 600 = 1600 \Omega$$

$$R_2 = R'_2 || R_{o_1} + R_{i_2} = \frac{47 \times 68}{47 + 68} + 12 = 27.79 \text{ k}\Omega$$

We know that,

$$R_{eq} = R_1 + \frac{R_2}{A_1^2} + \frac{R_3}{A_1^2 A_2^2}$$
 from equation (4.3.1)  

$$= 1600 + \frac{27790}{(15)^2} + \frac{1 \times 10^6}{(15)^2 (30)^2} = 1600 + 123.5 + 4.94$$

$$= 1728.44 \Omega$$