

## Solutions to EEE442/6420 for 2011-12 RF and Optical systems

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### Q1

#### a. ORBITS

LEO – 500-1500km, uses – mobile satellite phones, path losses small

MEO – 5000-15000 km, - weather/sensing applications

GEO 36000 km, tv broadcast, fixed comms links, losses high

6 marks

#### b.

##### Main Advantages

- Extend capability of existing terrestrial cellular system
- Coverage in remote locations
- Large coverage area
- Seamless service to subscriber in any part of the world

##### Challenges

- Propagation delay
- Attenuation – path loss 200 dB
- Low Spectral efficiency
- Costs – \$100M+
- Power limited
- Reliability – 10 years + lifetime

6 marks

#### c.

Noise power is expressed in Watts or Watts/Hz but it is more convenient in system design to relate it to a fictitious noise temperature  $T$  through the formula

$$P = kTB \text{ Watts}$$

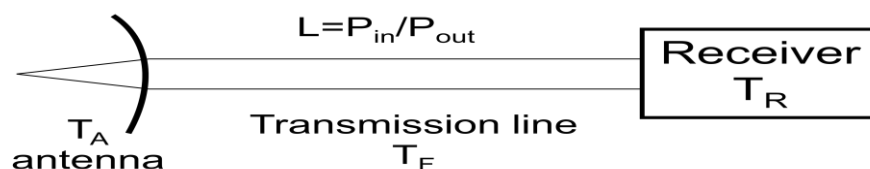
Noise factor  $F$  is defined by

$$F = \frac{C_{in}/N_{in}}{C_{out}/N_{out}} = \frac{\text{output noise power}}{\text{input noise power}}$$

where  $C$  = carrier power,  $N$  = noise power

$$\text{Noise figure} = 10 \log(F)$$

#### d.



Now noise temperature at receiver is  $T'_s = \frac{T_A}{L} + (1 - \frac{1}{L})T_F + T_R$

since noise factor for lossy line = loss  $L$  and noise temperature referred to output is

$$T_{eout} = (1 - 1/L)T_F$$

Now  $L = 2 \text{ dB} = 1.585$ ,

For the receiver  $F = 1 + \frac{T_e}{T_0} = 1.585$ ,  $T_R = 170$  K

So  $T'_S = 100/1.585 + 0.585 \cdot 290/1.585 + 170 = 63.1 + 107 + 170 = 340.1$  K

## Q2

a.

### SATELLITE TV RECEIVER

The receiving system is made up of 4 items:

Antenna  
Low noise block (down converter)  
Set top box  
TV receiver

#### Antenna

Normally a parabolic dish either circular or elliptical in shape and 40-80 cm in diameter. Dish provides signal collecting area and focuses signal onto a small horn antenna at the front of the low noise block.

#### Low noise block - LNB

This amplifies the incoming signal (either horizontally or vertically polarised), depending on the satellite channel being received) and down converts it from around 11 GHz to ~1 GHz.

Signal fed to set top box via coaxial cable.

Power and control signals are fed up the same coaxial cable.

The satellite signal polarisation is selected by changing the supply voltage – 13V (vertical) or 18V (horizontal).

LNB receives signals in 2 sub bands, 10.7-11.7 GHz and 11.7-12.75 GHz, by switching local oscillator to 9.75 GHz or 10.6 GHz.

6 marks

b. Capacity optimised by tailoring coverage footprint to not waste power in unwanted areas such as the sea, frequency reuse using spacial or polarisation techniques.

4 marks

c.

$$\left( \frac{C}{N} \right)_D = E_s - L_D - M + \frac{G_e}{T_e} + 228.6 - 10 \log B_{RF}$$

Minimum C/N = 11 dB

EIRP of satellite transponder  $E_s = 51$  dBW = 100w + 31db

$B = 26$  MHz,  $k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23}$  dBW/K

$10 \log(kB) = -154.45$  dBW/K

Path loss =  $20 \log(4\pi d/\lambda) = L_D$

freq = 10.8175 GHz

$d = 39237.73$  km,  $\lambda = 2.773$  cm

Path loss = 205 dB

$$\lambda = \frac{c}{f} = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{10.8175 \times 10^9} = 2.773 \times 10^{-2} m$$

Now - Assume  $M = 4$  dB – rain and elevation losses

Hence  $G_e/T_e = \underline{14.55 \text{ dB/K}} = 28.5$  (linear units)

Under clear sky conditions,  $T_e = 55$  K =

Receiver noise temperature = 75 K

Overall  $T = 130$  K

Hence receiving antenna gain  $G_e = 130 \times 28.5 = 3706$

Design an antenna to fulfill the requirements for a domestic satellite tv system

Design offset parabola antenna. Low noise max efficiency,

$$\text{aperture} = A_e = \frac{\lambda^2}{4\pi} G = 2268 \text{ cm}^2 = \pi r^2$$

Hence Diameter = 54 cm. assuming 100% efficiency.

If assume 60% efficient then area increased to  $2268/0.6 = 3780$

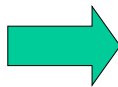
Hence dish diameter 70cm.

**Q3.**

a. Dispersion

### Dispersion Summary

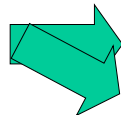
**Intermodal dispersion**  
(ie between modes)



**MODAL DISPERSION**

*Multi-mode fibres only; minimised for graded-index fibres*

**Chromatic or**  
Intramodal dispersion  
(ie within a single mode)



**MATERIAL DISPERSION**

**WAVEGUIDE DISPERSION**

*Single or multi-mode fibres but only significant for single mode fibres.*

Chromatic dispersions are **wavelength dependent**

Chromatic much less than modal dispersion.

Transmitter should have a narrow linewidth – laser.

6 marks

b.

4 marks

### V - normalised frequency

In an optical fibre, the **normalized frequency**,  $V$  (also called the **V number**), is given by

$$V = \frac{2\pi a}{\lambda} \sqrt{n_1^2 - n_2^2} = \frac{2\pi a}{\lambda} \text{NA},$$

where  $a$  is the core radius,  $\lambda$  is the wavelength,  $n_1$  is the maximum refractive index of the core,  $n_2$  is the refractive index of the homogeneous cladding, and NA the numerical aperture.

In multimode operation of an optical fiber, the approximate number of bound modes is given by

$$\frac{V^2}{2} \left( \frac{g}{g+2} \right),$$

where  $g$  is the profile parameter, and  $V$  is the normalized frequency, which must be greater than 5 for the approximation to be valid.

For a step index fibre, the mode volume is given by  $V^2/2$ . For single-mode operation is required that  $V < 2.405$ , which is the first root of the Bessel function  $J_0$ .

c.  $E = hv = hc/\lambda$

At 1550 nm Energy of 1 photon =  $6.6 \times 10^{-34} \times 3 \times 10^8 / 1550 \times 10^{-9} = 1.28 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$

Need 1000 photons to detect 1 bit at 1Gb/s

Need a peak received power of  $1.28 \times 10^{-19} \times 1000 \times 1000 \times 10^6 = 1.28 \times 10^{-7} \text{ W}$

Average power = peak power/2 =  $6.4 \times 10^{-8} = -42 \text{ dBm}$

Launch power = 10 dBm

Assuming no margin have 52 dB available in power budget as a loss in fibre

Loss = 2dB/km, **hence fibre length = 52/2 = 26 km.**

d. To transmit a much higher data rate over the same distance –

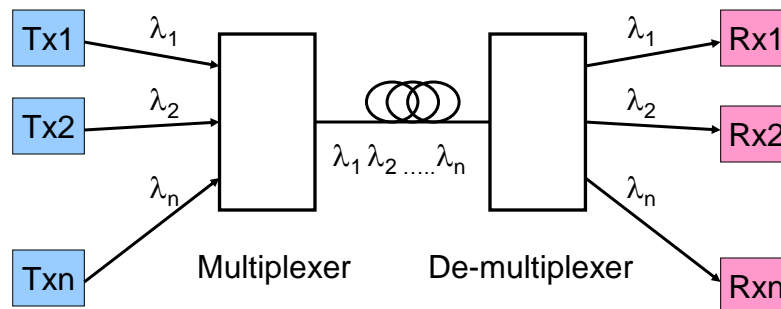
- use narrower line width source
- use coarse wdm
- change wavelength to 13 microns where  $D=0$

#### Q4

a. WDM

### Wavelength Division Multiplexing

WDM – photons of different wavelength can occupy the same space and be transmitted over one fibre



Uses multiplexers to combine the channels at different wavelengths and de-multiplexers to separate (filter) the channels at the receiver. One channel delivered to each receiver.

WDM Components

Narrow emission linewidth transmitters

Tunable wavelength transmitters?

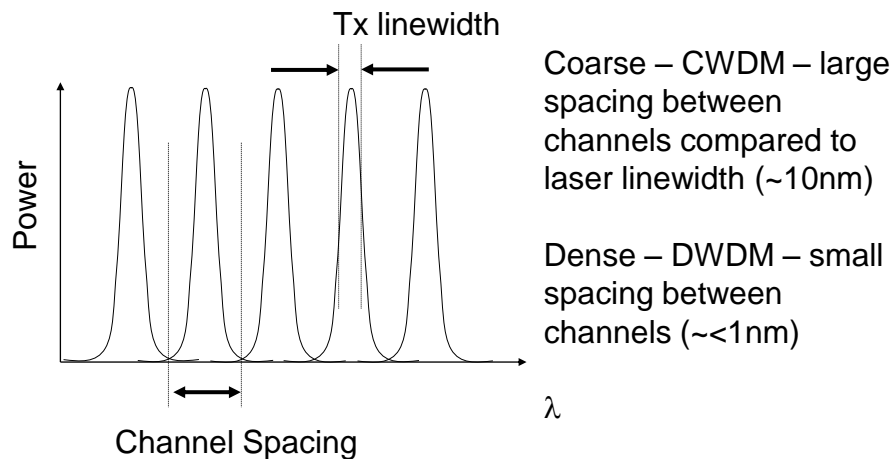
Multiplexers – light combiners – easy e.g. coupler

De-multiplexers – (high finesse wavelength filters)

The last two are sometimes the same device in reverse

## Wavelength Division Multiplexing

Many channels can be deployed massively increasing available bandwidth of one fibre



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### DWDM systems

Tightly spaced channels

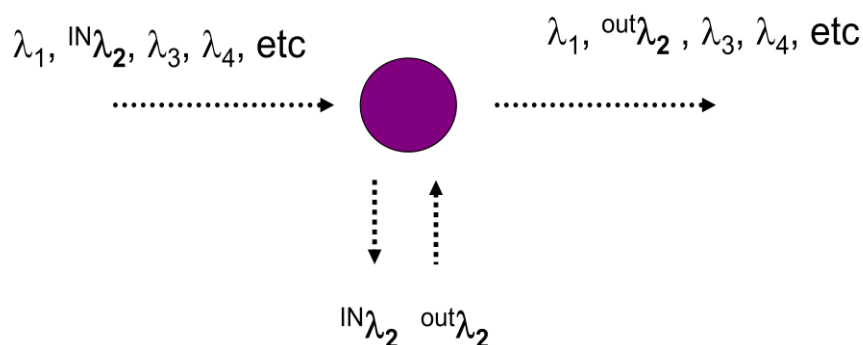
Number of channels limited by

- (1) Wavelength stability of laser (DFB)
- (2) Signal degradation – non-linear effects
- (3) Interchannel crosstalk at DEMUX
- (4) Need for accurate demultiplexing filters

Gives Tb/s performance

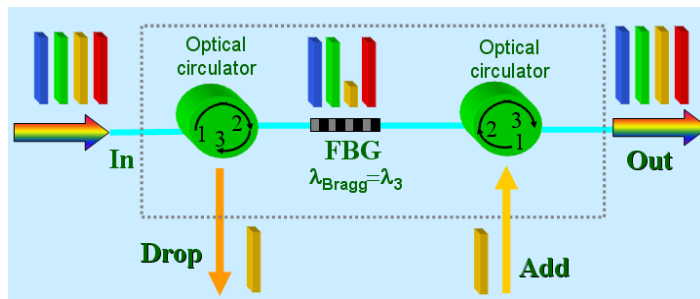
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### **b. Add/drop demultiplexer**

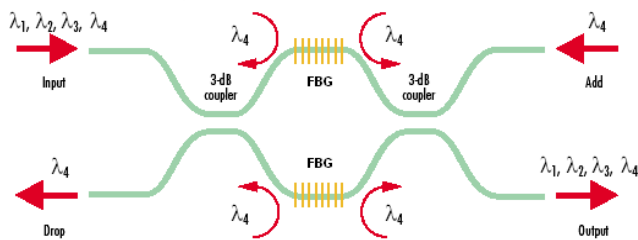


Add or drop a channel at each node

## □ Circulators with FBG /TFF

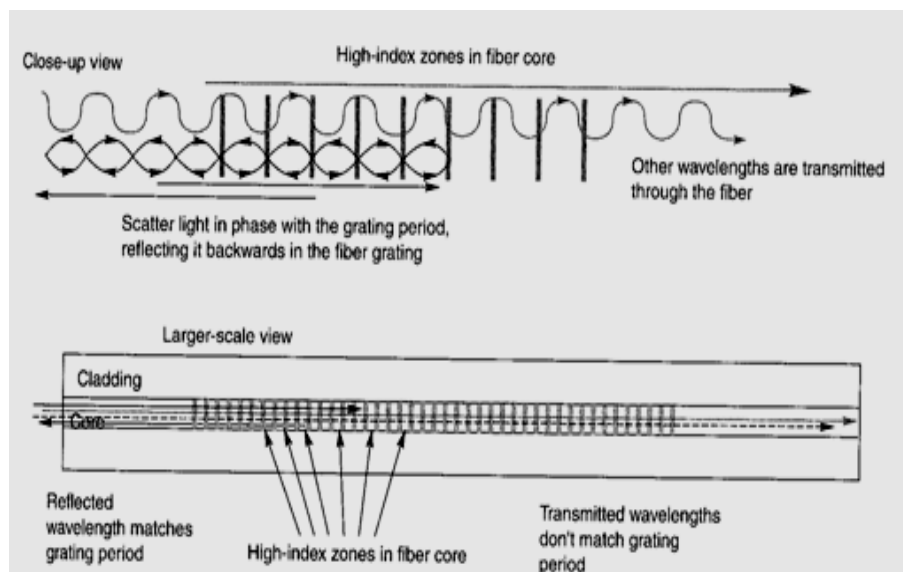


## □ MZI with FBG



MZI or coupler and Bragg grating filter

## Reflection at FBG



### e.g. (De) Multiplexer

Unbalanced Mach-Zehnder Interferometer

Change in phase along longer arm  $\Delta\theta_i = \beta\Delta L$

$$P_1(\lambda_1) / P_{in} = \cos^2[\Delta\theta_1/2] \quad P_2(\lambda_2) / P_{in} = \cos^2[\Delta\theta_2/2]$$

Make  $\Delta\theta_1 = 2\pi n$  direct all power at  $\lambda_1$  into output 1

Make  $\Delta\theta_2 = 2\pi m$  direct all power at  $\lambda_2$  into output 2

