

# Training course programme Fundamentals of digital wireless communication

### Advanced level training course

44 Hours: 36 theory + 8 hands-on practice



Hands-on baseband experience | VSA & VSG practical experiments | Modem design and simulation | Matlab introduction given | Signal processing preface given



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### Introduction

"Fundamentals of digital wireless communications" is an advanced level, 44 hours training course that deals with the physical layer of digital wireless communications systems.

This in-depth, hands-on training focuses on the theory, design and practical implementation aspects of single-carrier digital wireless communication systems. The Course presents in a simple and intuitive approach - the fundamentals of modern wireless digital communication systems, and incorporates unique HANDS-ON lab, SW simulation and exercises, utilizing the latest Keysight test equipment, signal creation and signal analysis software.

### Target audience

The target audience for this seminar consists of RF & microwave system engineers, wireless hardware experts and electronics engineers who plan to make a transition into digital wireless communications technology, and wish to understand its basic concepts and unique challenges.

### Specific measurable training goals

As an outcome of participation in this training, the student shall become able to:

- 1. Simulate, calculate and compare BER vs. SNR curves for single-carrier constellations.
- 2. Understand and calculate coding gain of simple block and convolutional codes.
- 3. Simulate and measure (using a VSA software) EVM effects of I/Q impairments due to phase noise, non-linearity, gain / phase imbalances, ISI and additive noise.
- 4. Represent Baseband (complex) signals and their corresponding RF modulated (real) signals.
- 5. Design and build in the lab different RF front end architectures for digital communications, such as Zero-IF, Near zero IF and image reject (Weaver / Hartley).
- 6. Characterize RF ADCs and DACs, calculate their ENOB, maximum SNR and EVM effects and simulate clock jitter / quantization effects.
- 7. Model the RF multipath channel and its resulting ISI on the received signal.
- 8. Understand the concepts carrier synchronization, preamble and pilot signals.
- 9. Operate standard test equipment for digital wireless communications, such as a VSA, and VSG, generate complex modulations and download signal recordings from the analyser.
- 10. Perform end-to-end transmitter-channel-receiver design for a single-carrier wireless communications system, calculate and simulate the resulting EVM and BER.

### Presenter

The main presenter will be Mr. **Oren Hagai**, the founder of INTERLLIGENT RF and Microwave Solutions.

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## Short form syllabus with chronologic order

#### Lesson 1 (Theory) | Introduction and basic terms in digital wireless communications

Historical overview of digital wireless communications, End to end performance metrics and physical resources of a digital wireless communication system. General block diagram of a digital wireless modem, Basic terms from Information theory, Shannon's capacity theorem.

#### Lesson 2 (Theory) | Coding intro

The mathematical memoryless binary symmetric channel, the concept of coding gain, simple block codes, simple convolutional codes, the Viterbi algorithm, coding gain calculation.

#### Lessons 3 + 4 (Theory) | Fundamentals of I/Q Modulation

Why I/Q Modulation? Occupied BW and orthogonal carriers' considerations. Complex (Base band) and real (RF) signals presentation. The quadrature modulator / demodulator, Definition and attributes of the Signal Space, Selection of carrier waveforms, Presentation of signals in the Signal-Space, Baseband Normalized Power analysis, PAPR calculations, Deterministic vs. Measured parameters. Primary Constellations: M-QAM, M-PSK, M-Orthogonal. Demodulation in the presence of noise and distortion: The ML and MAP criteria, Constellation Slicing, SER and BER calculations, Noise CDF and CCDF, Eb/No vs. BER Comparison between different constellations. Signal quality and system performance metrics: EVM, MER SER, BER, PER. Effects of multipath (ISI) on demodulation.

## Lesson (Simulation lab #1) | Simulation of I/Q modulation and coding using Octave (MATLAB compatible in basic commands) software

# Lesson O (Theory) | Test equipment and standard test set-ups for measuring digital wireless communications systems

VSA premier: block diagram, presentation modes, using Keysight's 89601B VSA platform. VSG premier: block diagram, uploading and generating binary files, Markers, using Keysight's signal studio SW. Baseband generation using broadband AWGs. Channel emulators: RF to RF and Baseband-to-Baseband.

# Lesson 7 (Lab experiment) | Measuring digitally modulated signals using standard test equipment

VSA measurements of distinct signal deformation mechanisms in the VSA: Additive noise, Non-Linearity, Phase Noise, I/Q Gain Imbalance, I/Q Phase imbalance, Carrier leakage (DC offset), Adjacent channel interference, Multipath constellation replicas.

#### Lesson 8 (Theory) | IF / RF sampling

Analog to Digital conversion: "Transparent" and "Non-Transparent" ADC's, ADC's block diagram, frequency transfer function (Nyquist zones), dynamic performance metrics: SQNR, SJNR, ENOB, SNRMax, Over-sampling processing gain. The Flash, Pipeline and SAR architectures.

# Lesson 9 (Theory) | From Baseband to Microwave: RF front end architectures for digital wireless systems

Real-IF, Zero IF, Near Zero IF architectures, Weaver and Hartley architectures. Image rejection and DC-offset cancellation (Mixer Calibration).

Carrier sync PLL mechanisms, pilot and preamble signals.

#### Lesson 10 (Theory) | Radio channel modeling and measurements

Stationary vs. time varying channels, impulse and frequency response parameters, delay spread, coherence bandwidth, the Doppler effect, Doppler spread. Channel models for indoor / outdoor propagation. Practical set-ups for channel sounding.

# Lesson 1 1 (Simulation lab #2) | End-to-end simulation of transmitter-channel-receiver single-carrier communications system

Ota 44 training hours: 32 theory hours, 8 simulation hours, 4 lab experiment hours

More details including opening dates are available online at www.int-rf.com/rf-training



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