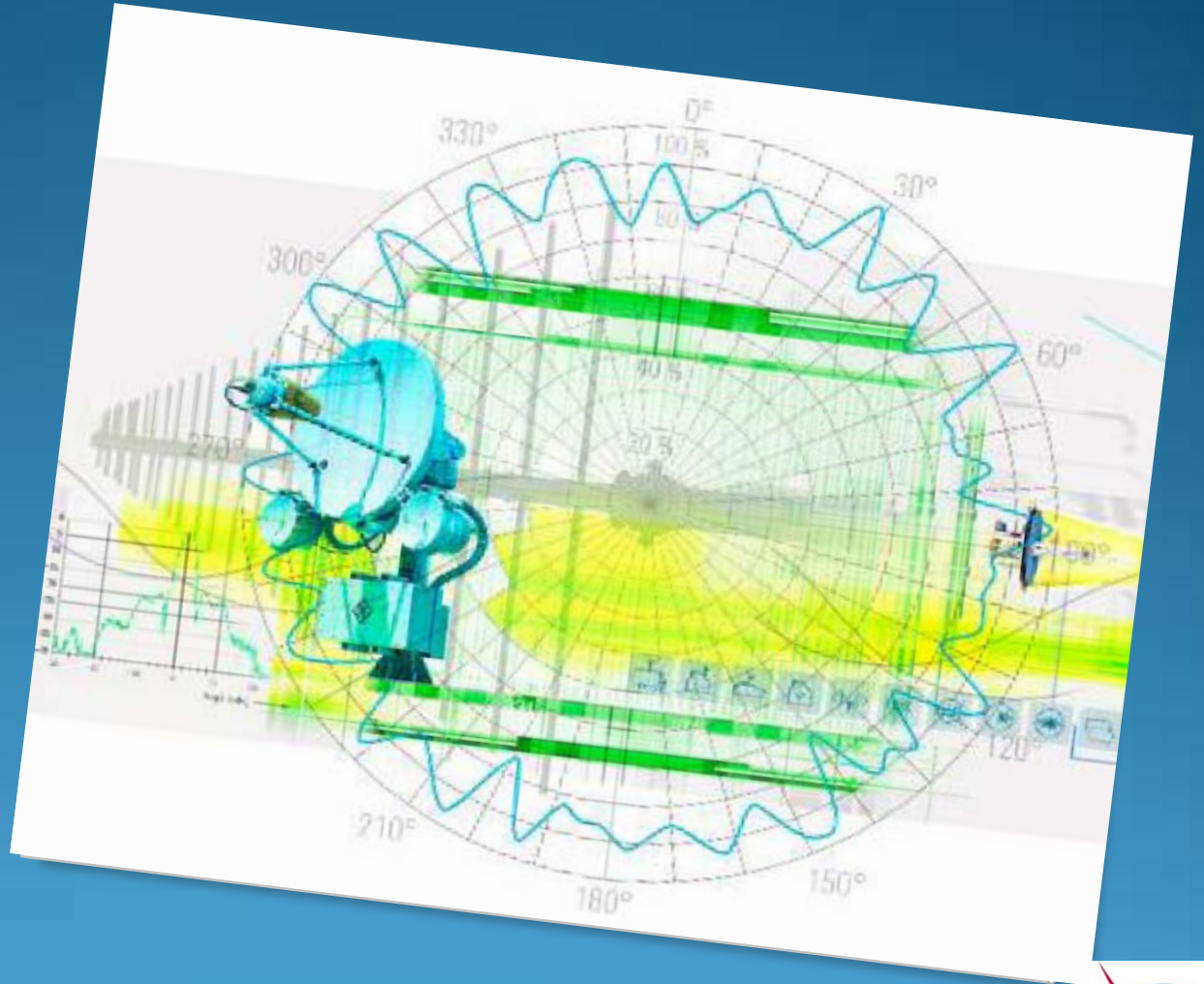


Agenda

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Day 3

NETWORK



Network planning

- Vsat network topologies
 - Point 2 Point links
 - Star Networks
 - Mesh Networks
 - Broadcast
 - Hybrid Networks
- Access Schemes
 - SCPC
 - TDMA
 - FDMA

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Network planning

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 - K_u band
 - K_a band
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- Digital Communications Techniques
- Link Budget Analysis

Network planning

(vsat network topologies)

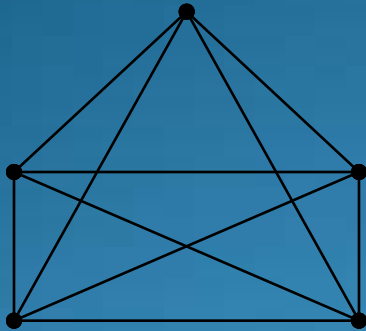
- Basic concept for communications between 2 points is a direct connection. If the number of terminals increases more the complexity for the design and some specification shall be applied to define if A connects only with B or if also with B and C or this last is connected only via B.
- Assume for instance the connection of all the terminals among them e.g:
 - $n \times (n-1) / 2$ (being n the nodes number)
 - to 5 nodes for instance will mean 10 connections, and so on

Network planning

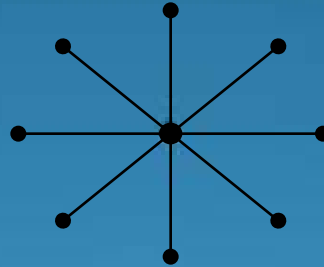
(vsat network topologies)

- We are discussing the type of network and its associated cost of implementation
- The covered area can be LAN, WAN, MAN if we refer to a dispersion of users of up to 5Km, about 50Km or above.
- Generically the topologies to be used are in the following slide

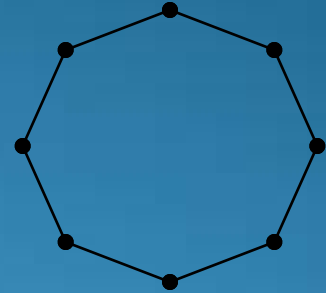
Network planning (vsat network topologies)



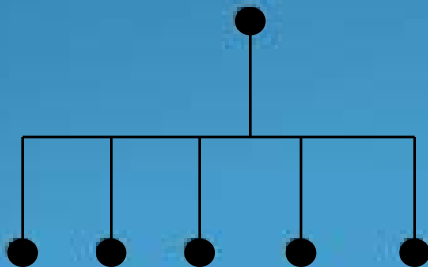
Mesh - Common WAN & MAN
complete redundancy



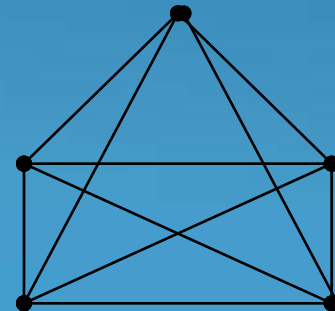
Star - Critical central node



Ring - common LAN
critical node fails

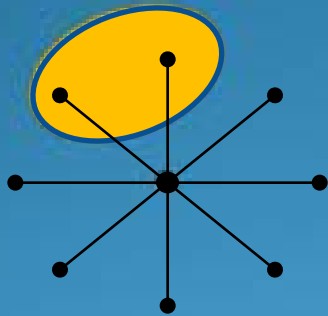


Bus - Common LAN, easy nodes
increase, any node might control

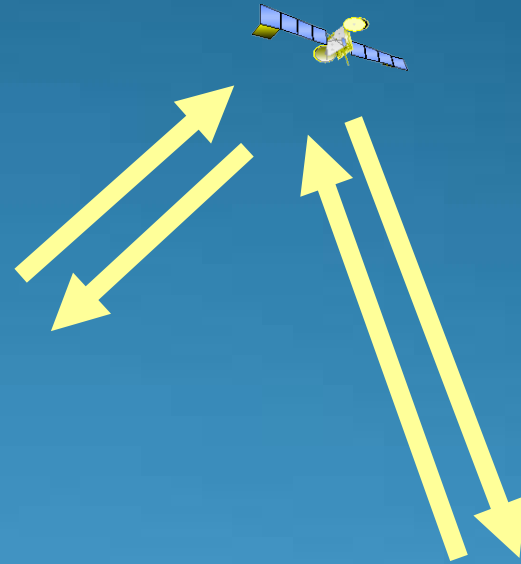


Hybrid - mesh through wired
ehternet and wireless
(sat, WiFi,WiMax)

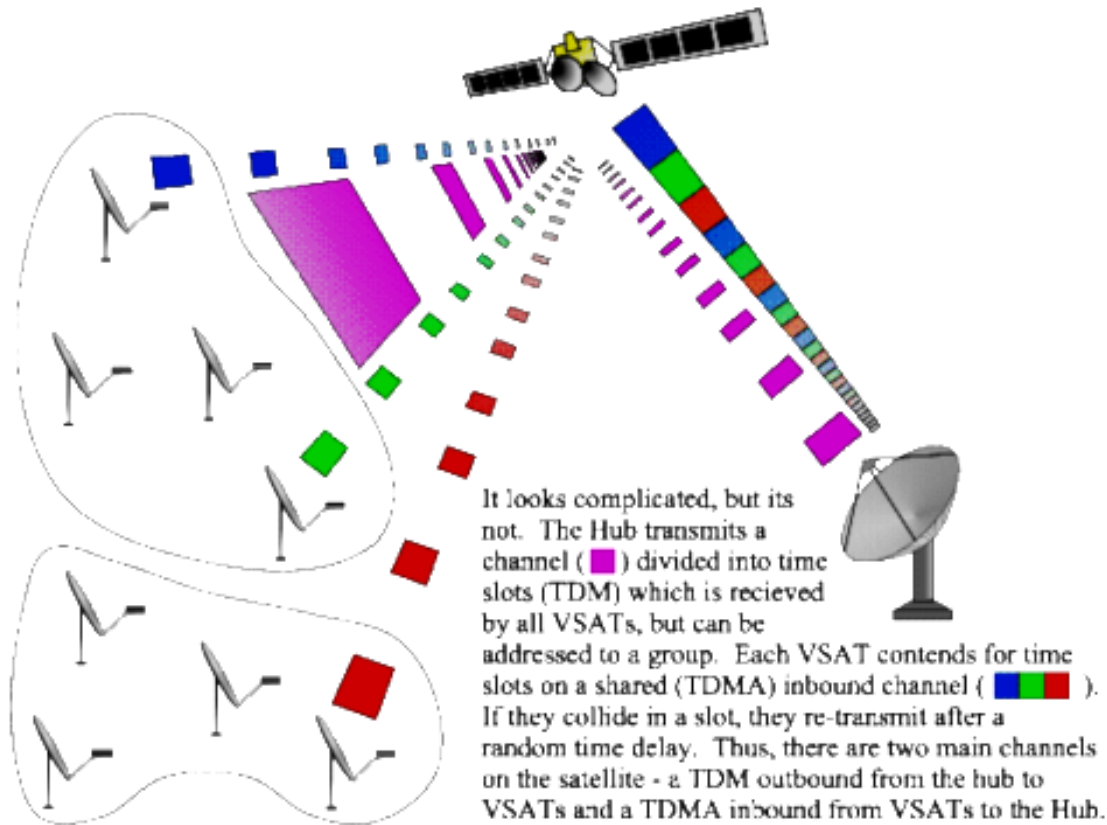
Network planning (point 2 point links)



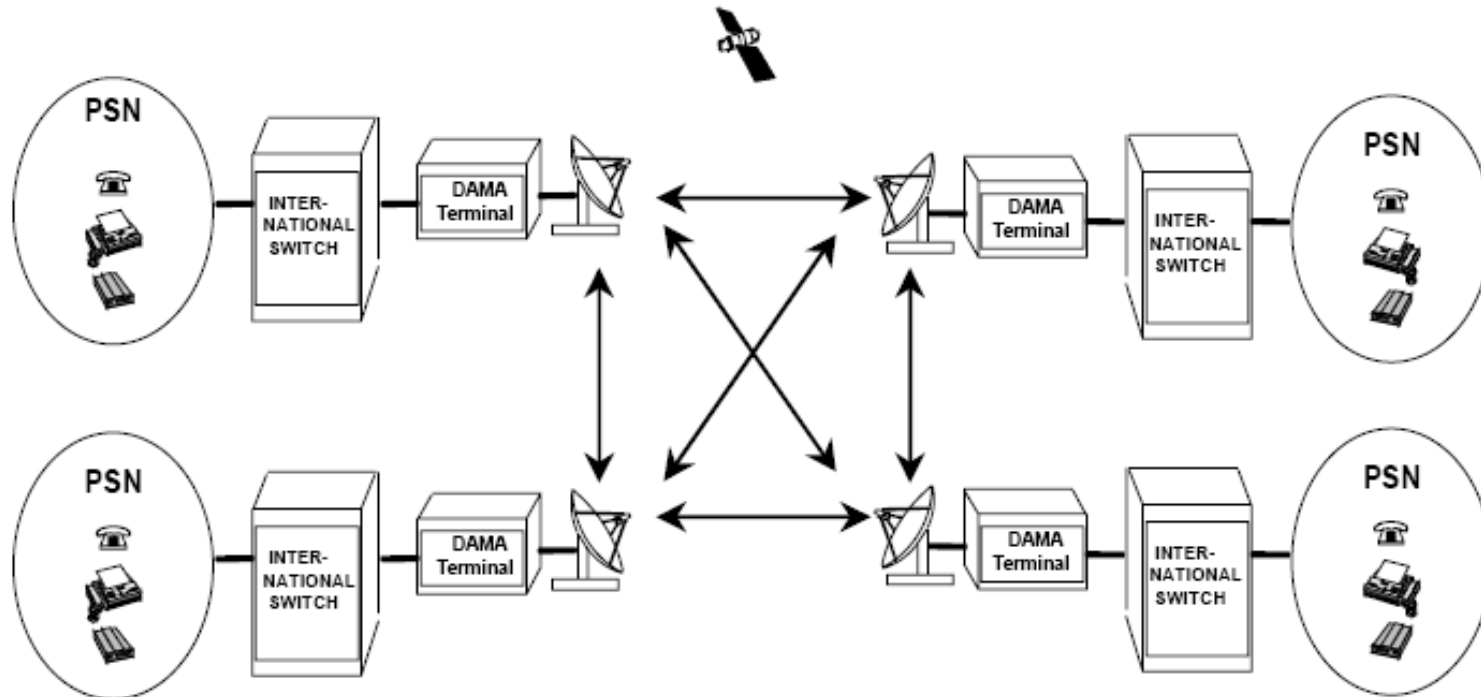
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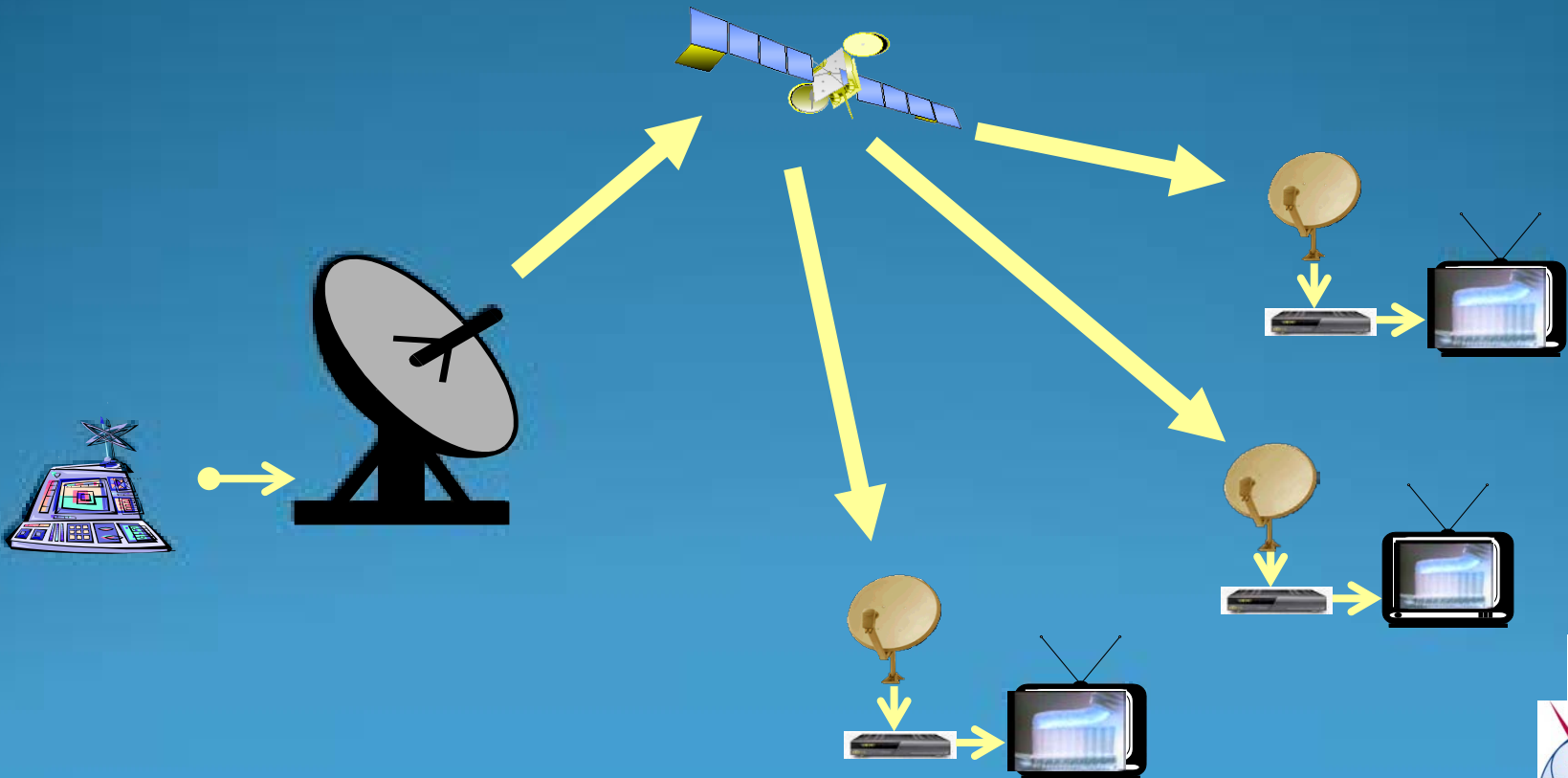
Network planning (star networks)



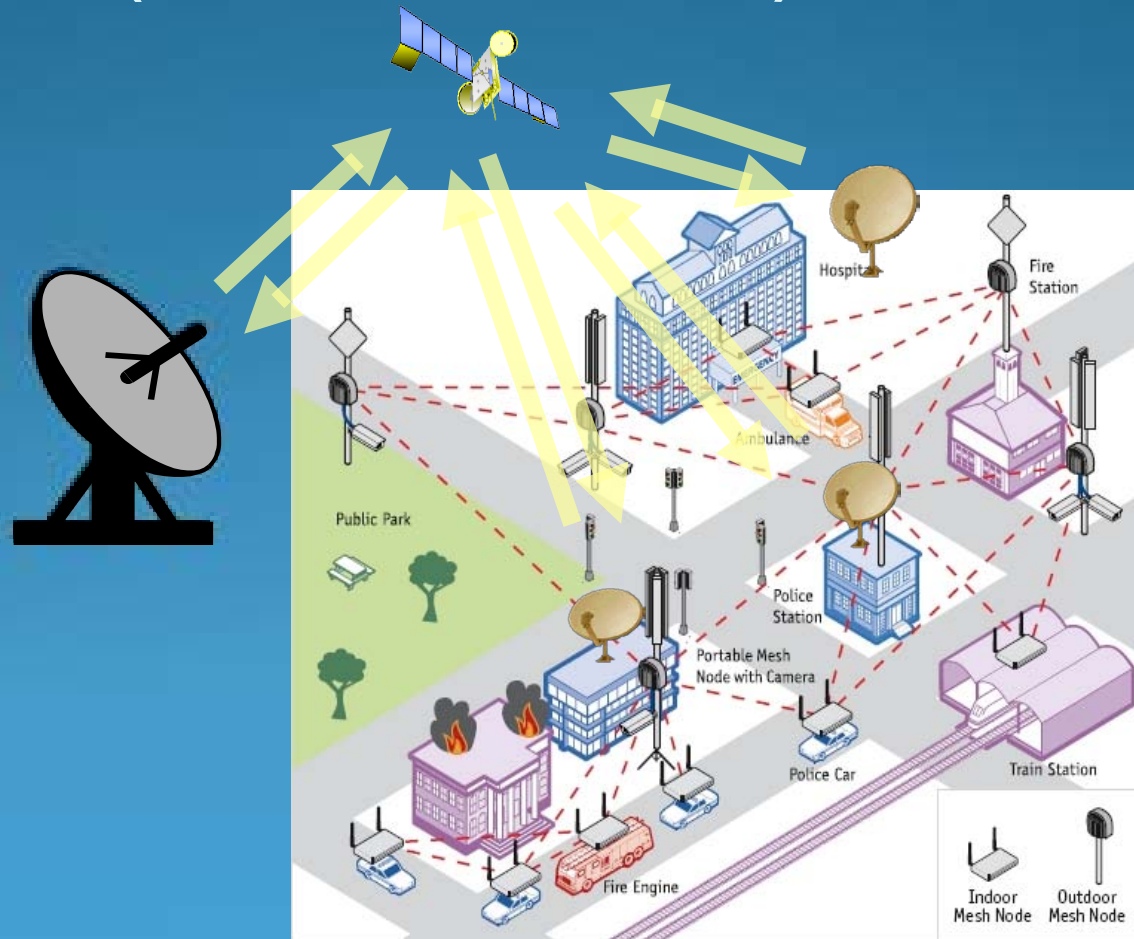
Network planning (mesh networks)



Network planning (broadcast networks)



Network planning (hybrid network)



Network planning

(access schemes, multiple access)

- The easiest and cheapest way to of interconnect one to one or one to more terminals is through a satellite link, but with simultaneously working terminals (versus single access) multiple access shall be employed.
- Multiple access is the ability of a large number of terminals to simultaneously interconnect their respective voice, data and television through a satellite. The basic problem involved is how to permit a changing group of terminals to share a satellite in a way that optimizes, satellite capacity, spectrum utilization, satellite power, interconnectivity, flexibility, adaptability to different traffic mixes, cost and user acceptability



Network planning

(access schemes, multiple access)

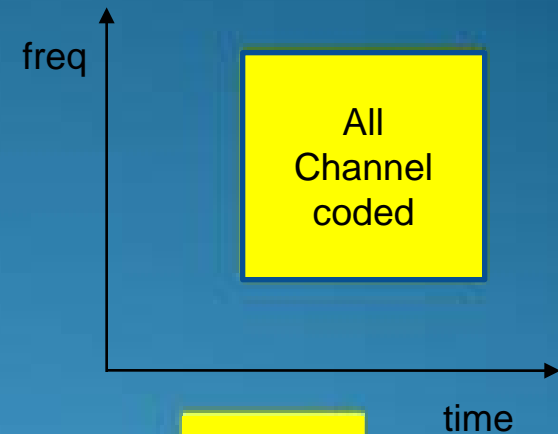
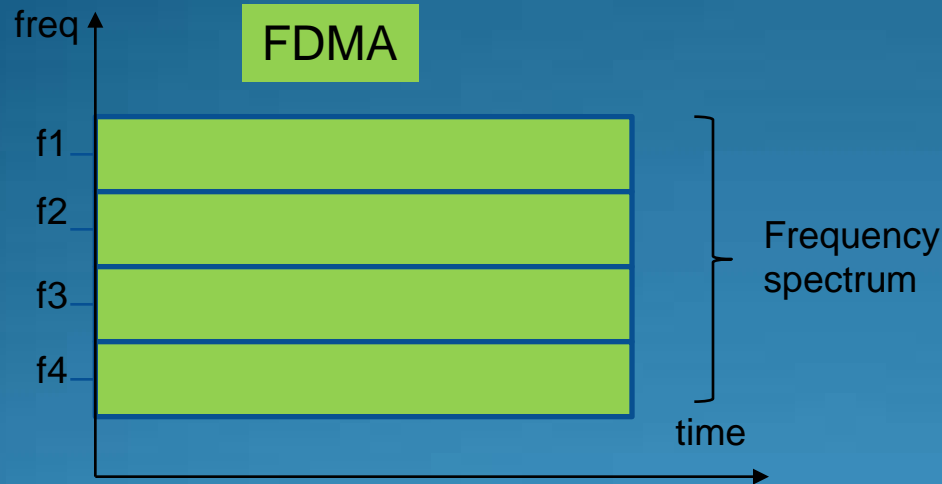
- In the downstream path same signal is distributed to all terminals, being the responsibility of each to determine and decode its component (whatever it would be in frequency, time, or hybrid domain)
- In the upstream path things are more complicated once the bandwidth has to be shared by all terminations. The scheme “multiple access” consists a group of stations each transmitting in its own frequency, time or hybrid e.g each station group has a differentiated link in the satellite reception channel.



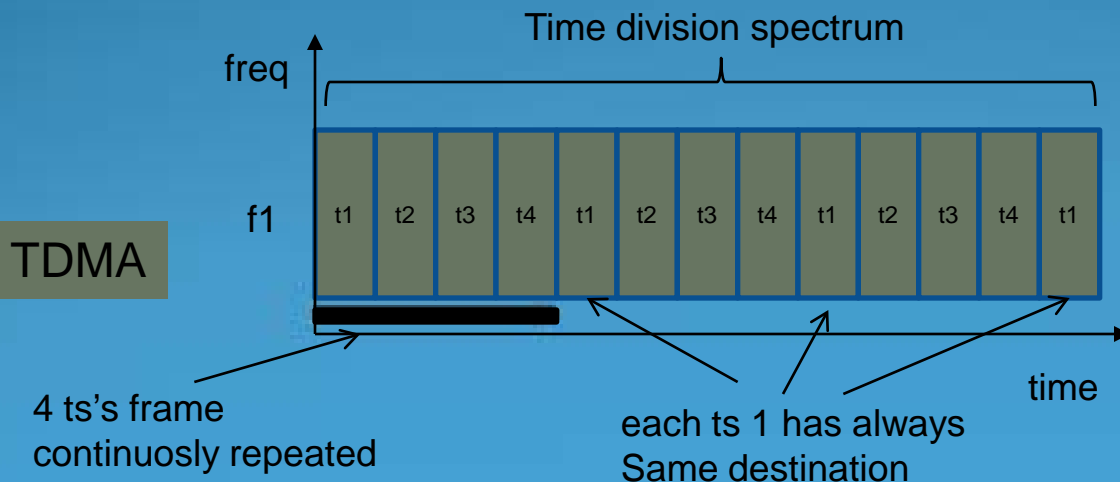
Network planning (multiple access)

- FDMA - Frequency Division Multiple Access where the band allocated is divided into channels, each one occupying its frequency. If the channel is permanently assigned (also called *Fixed Assignment*) or on request (*Demand assignement*) the arrangement is referred to as: FDMA / FA or FDMA / DA
- TDMA - Time Division Multiple Access the common channel frequency in the upstream is shared by all remote, being each one being authorized (means synchro) to transmit in it own time (slots). This way the channel is shared in time division.
- *Possibilities are:* TDMA / FA ou TDMA / DA possibilities.
- CDMA - Code Division Multiple Access where all the stations use the same channel at same time, being made the separation through specific codes

Network planning (multiple access)



CDMA



Network planning (SCPC)

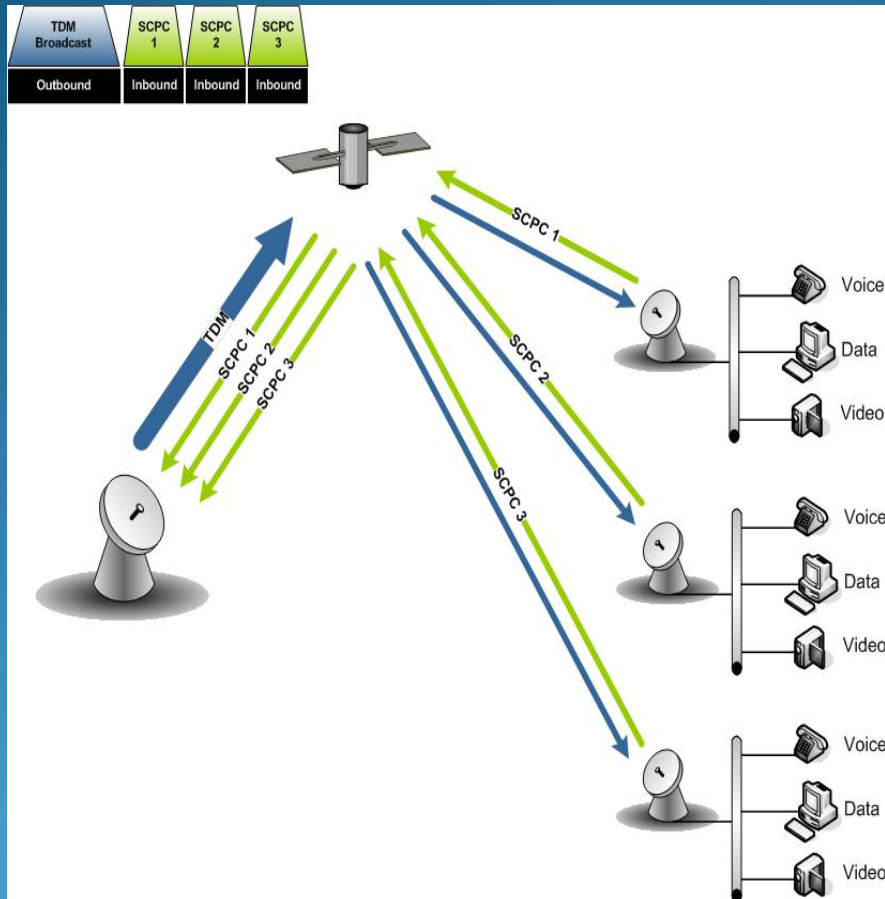
- In the frequency domain, we can see that each signal telephony signal channel is allocated a bandwidth of 4 kHz to access the local exchange, or many of the single channels are multiplexed together to form the transmission hierarchy to transmit the telephony channel over satellite. A carrier has to be generated which is suitable for satellite transmission on the allocated frequency band with the channel signal modulating the carrier being transmitted over satellite.
- At the receiving side, the demodulating process can separate the channel signal from the carrier; hence the receiver can get back the original telephony signal to be sent to a user terminal or to a network which can route the signal to the user terminal.....



Network planning (SCPC)

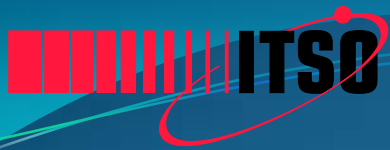
- If a single channel modulates the carrier, we call it single channel per carrier (SCPC) e.g, each carrier carries only a single channel. This is used normally for user terminals to be connected to the network (or other terminals as an access network). It is also possible to use this as a thin route to connect a local exchange to the network where the traffic density is low.
- If a group of channels modulate the carrier, we call it multi channel per carrier (MCPC). This is normally used for interconnect between networks as a transit network local exchange to the access network.

Network planning (SCPC)



Advantage	Disadvantage
Dedicated bandwidth for each remote inbound	Each remote requires its own space segment
Provides superior Quality of Service for critical applications	Expensive OPEX if each remote bandwidth is not fully utilized
Low Latency and Low Jitter	SCPC modems typically more expensive than TDMA modems
Best transmission method for real-time applications, voice, data, video, broadcast, etc.	Fixed data rates on the inbound links

Single Channel Per Carrier

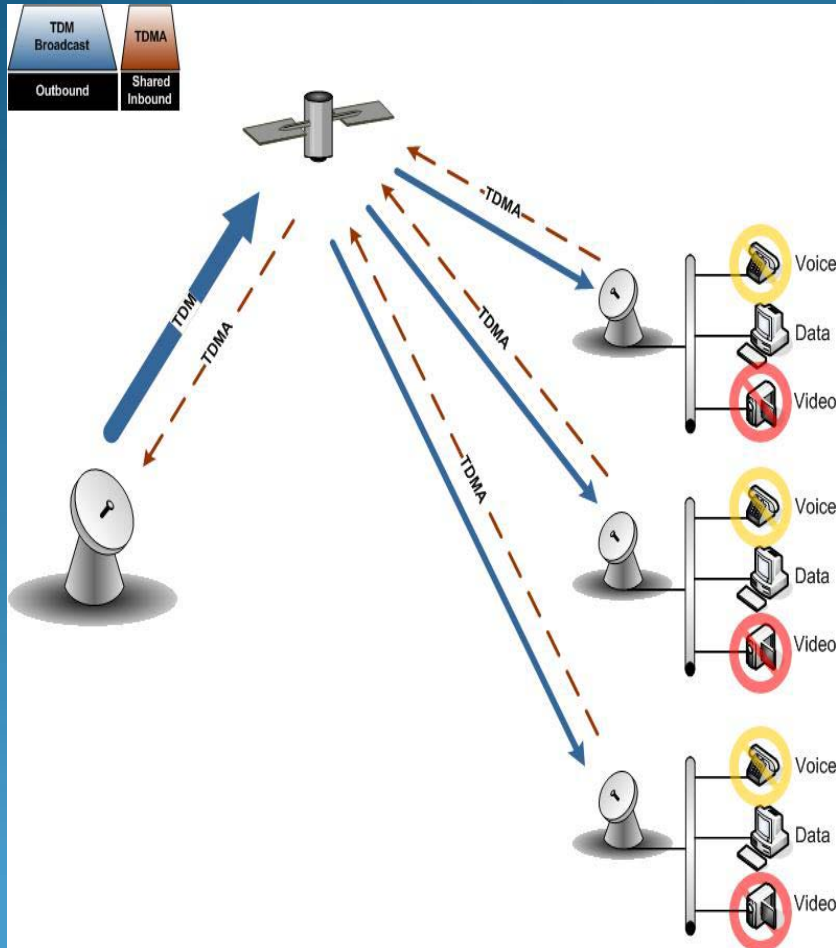


Network planning (TDMA)

- Each terminal is required to transmit bursts in short non overlapping timing intervals which requires some form of *frame structure and a global timing synchronization mechanism*.
 - The frame is the time interval over which a signal format is established and repeated. A frame is subdivided into time slots and a burst consists of an exact number of slots and occupies a precise position in the frame .
 - Each burst must arrive at the satellite transponder at a prescribed time. This insures no *overlapping* with others terminals to guarantee a high transmission efficiency. A mechanism synchronization provides timing information at all stations.



Network planning (TDMA)



Advantage	Disadvantage
Sharing of satellite bandwidth	Increased Latency and Jitter
Lower overall OPEX compared to dedicated pipes	Demanding remotes can burden the system
Good for low data rate applications	Fragmentation of packets. Less effective for voice and video
Low cost remotes	Expensive hub equipment
Large population of users	All remotes must be designed around worst case link

Time Division Multiple Access

Network planning (FDMA)

- FDMA is a traditional technique where several terminals transmit simultaneously but on different frequencies into a transponder. FDMA is attractive because of its simplicity for access by ground terminals. Single channel per carrier is commonly used for thin route telephony, VSAT systems and mobile terminal services for access networks. Multiplexing a number of channels to share a carrier for transit networks also uses FDA. It is inflexible for applications with varying bandwidth requirements.....

Network planning (FDMA)

- When using multiple channels per carrier to transit networks FDMA has significant problems with inter-modulation (IMPs) and hence a few dB of back-off from saturation transmission power is required to overcome the problem of non linearity at high power. The resultant EIRP may represent a penalty , especially to small terminals
- Involves well mastered techniques and no synchronization is needed, between different stations.
- Need for linear transponder or back off operation, and loss in transponder capacity relative to a single access
- Lack of flexibility when there is need to change frequencies allocated to different stations



Network planning (frequency bands)

- C band was the first to be used in satellite systems and only when this space has been scarce (where its re-use by terrestrial links worldwide increased the problem) Ku band has been adopted.
- Ku band is typically used for broadcasting and for Internet bidirectional communications , with the advantage of the satellite having high power transmitter (smaller antenna diameter and RF units easier to get)
- Ka Band is more popular for high speed Internet access rather than for classical satellite TV.



Network planning (C band)

- C band
 - Down Link : 3,7 - 4,2 GHz
 - Up Link : 5,9 - 6,4 GHz
 - Advantages :
 - More immune to heavy rain
 - cheaper bandwidth and global satellite footprint
 - Disadvantages :
 - larger antenna diameter
 - expensive RF units
 - expensive hardware
 - more prone to terrestrial link interferences

Network planning (Ku band)

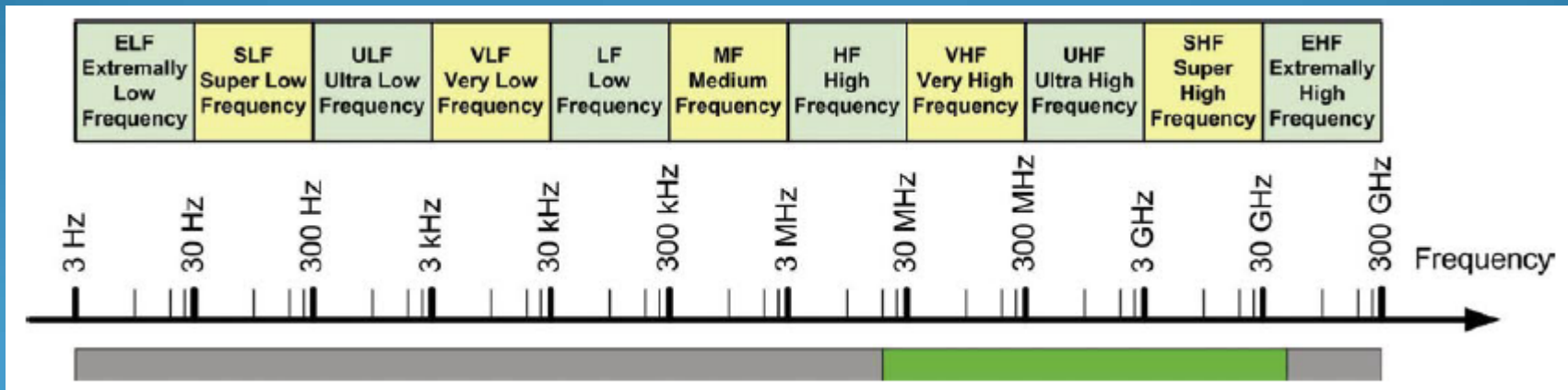
- Ku band
 - Down Link : 11,7 - 12,2 GHz
 - Up Link : 14,0 - 14,5 GHz
 - Advantages :
 - more prone to terrestrial link interferences
 - small diameter antenna (+/- 90 cm)
 - simpler and cheap RF units
 - Disadvantages :
 - expensive bandwidth
 - less immune to heavy rain, although may be balanced through bigger diameter antennas

Network planning (Ka band)

- Ka band
 - Down Link : 19,7 – 20,2 GHz
 - Up Link : 29,5 - 30 GHz
 - Advantages :
 - very interesting for faster Internet
 - Low cost terminal vsat
 - Resilient high speed corporate data networks
 - Disadvantages :
 - due to highly attenuation by rain, direct TV is very risky in not very dry regions

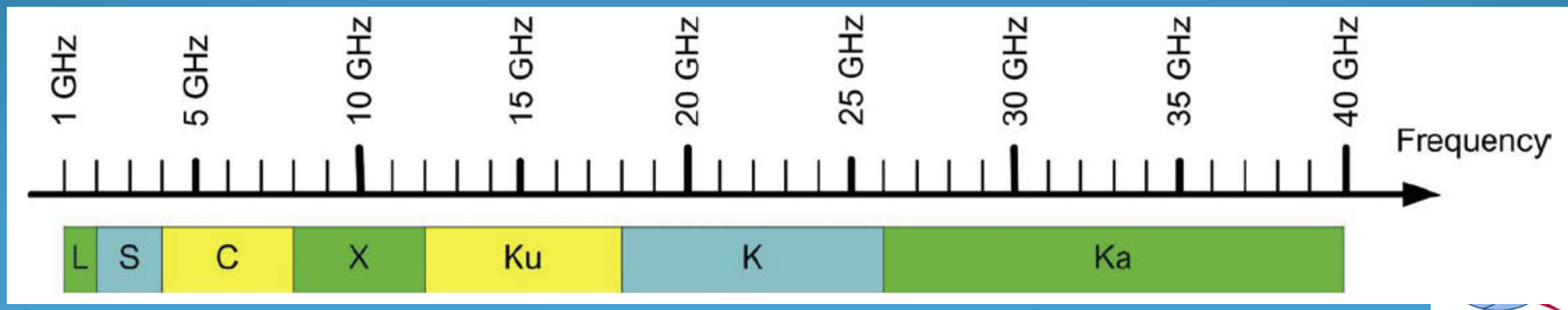
Network planning (frequency band)

- We can see below the range of frequency that we can use for satellite communication, a green bar starting at around 20 MHz and ending at about 40 GHz. Occasionally also lower and Ku Band terms. By expanding the green bar we see the actual satellite bands



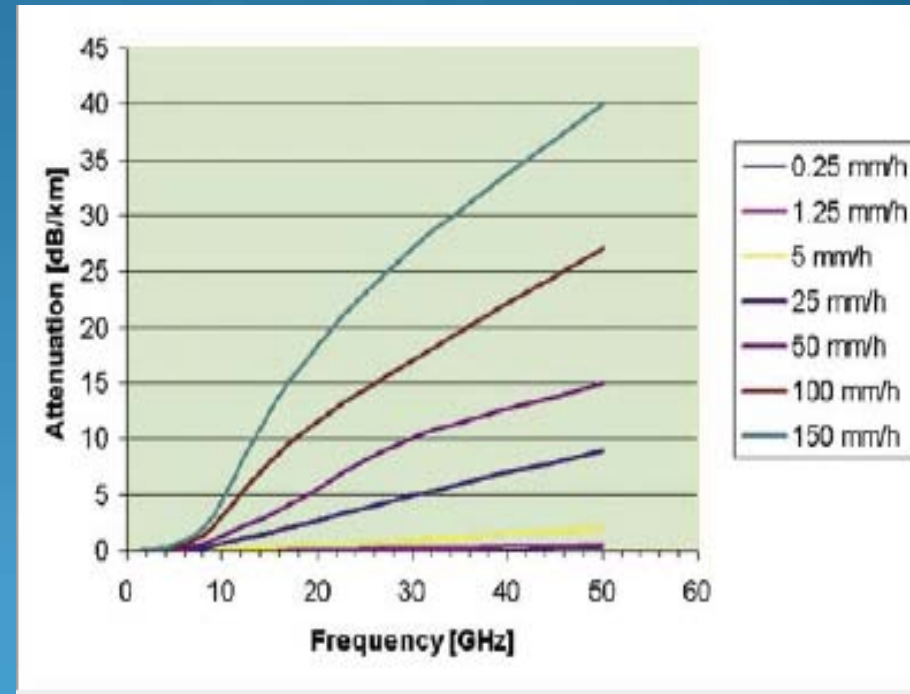
Network planning (satellite bands)

- Ku Band starts at 12 GHz while some of the Ku Band transponders transmit even below 11 GHz, so formally in X Band. Indeed, the downlink uses both Ku Band and X Band but the uplink uses only Ku Band. For this reason, we call them Ku Band satellites or transponders. Moreover, we should also keep in mind that we can not use the whole band (Ku, C or whatever) for the satellite downlink. A part of the band has to be reserved for the uplink, and some parts of the bands are dedicated for military or professional services (e.g. radars).

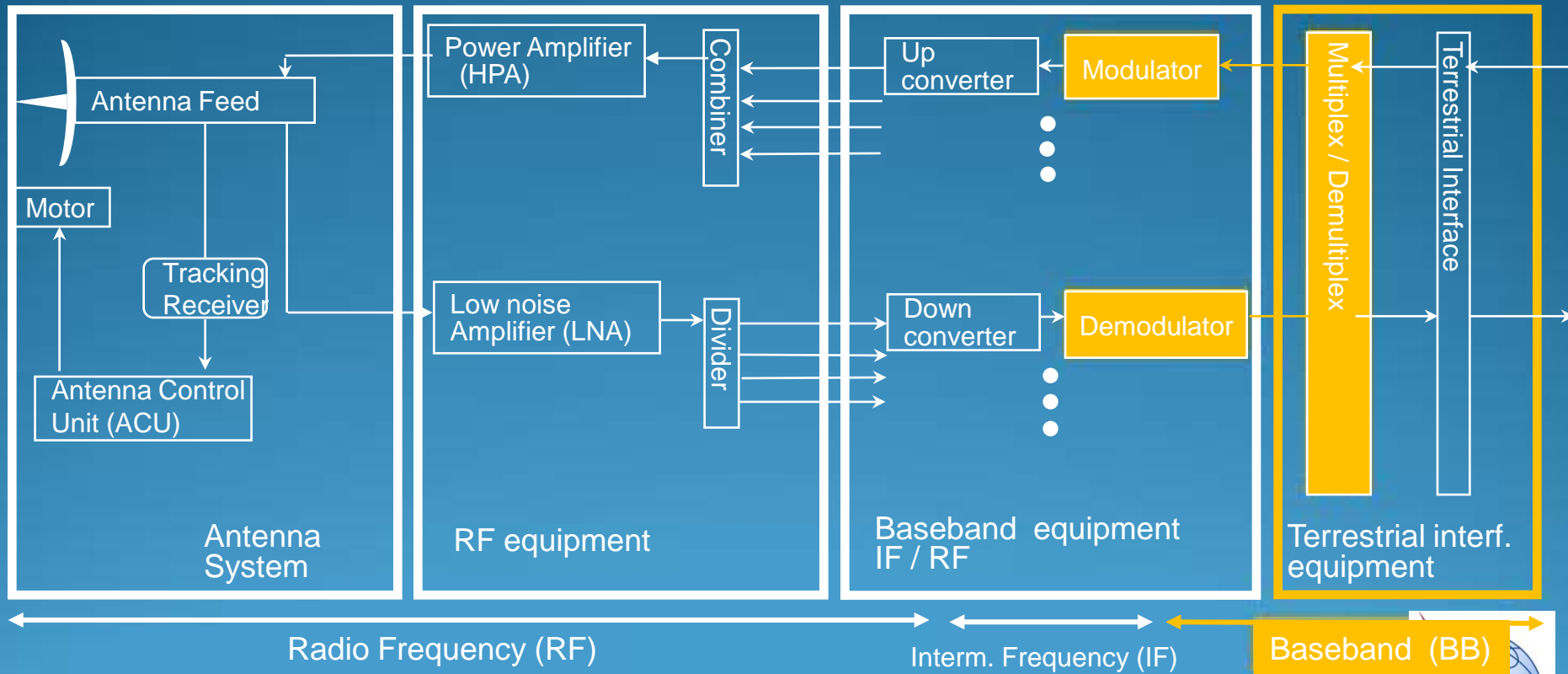


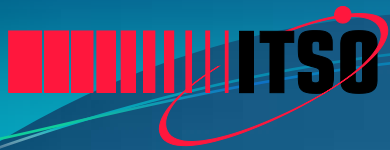
Network planning (Ka band restrictions)

However, what can be easily seen is that the space for TV or data channels is much greater in Ka band than in C, and Ku has no problem in using frequencies up to 50 GHz or so. Attenuation of less than 1 dB is not a big deal. Unfortunately this is not the whole picture. Atmosphere containing water vapor is one thing, and raining is another thing. Attenuation caused by rain dramatically increases with frequency, as you can see



Network planning (baseband signals)





Network planning (baseband signals)

- The signal to be transmitted can be digital, such as data flowing between computers, printed text, communications between remote terminal and computers, or analog such as telephone or TV, channels.
- Whatever will be digital or analog information signals, they must be gathered to carry on several telephone channels or several data circuits, in other words information occupy a defined bandwidth, that:
 - When using the shift in frequency and the Channel Translating Equipment, the bandwidth occupied by all the information shifted in frequency **constitutes the FDM baseband**



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Network planning (baseband signals)

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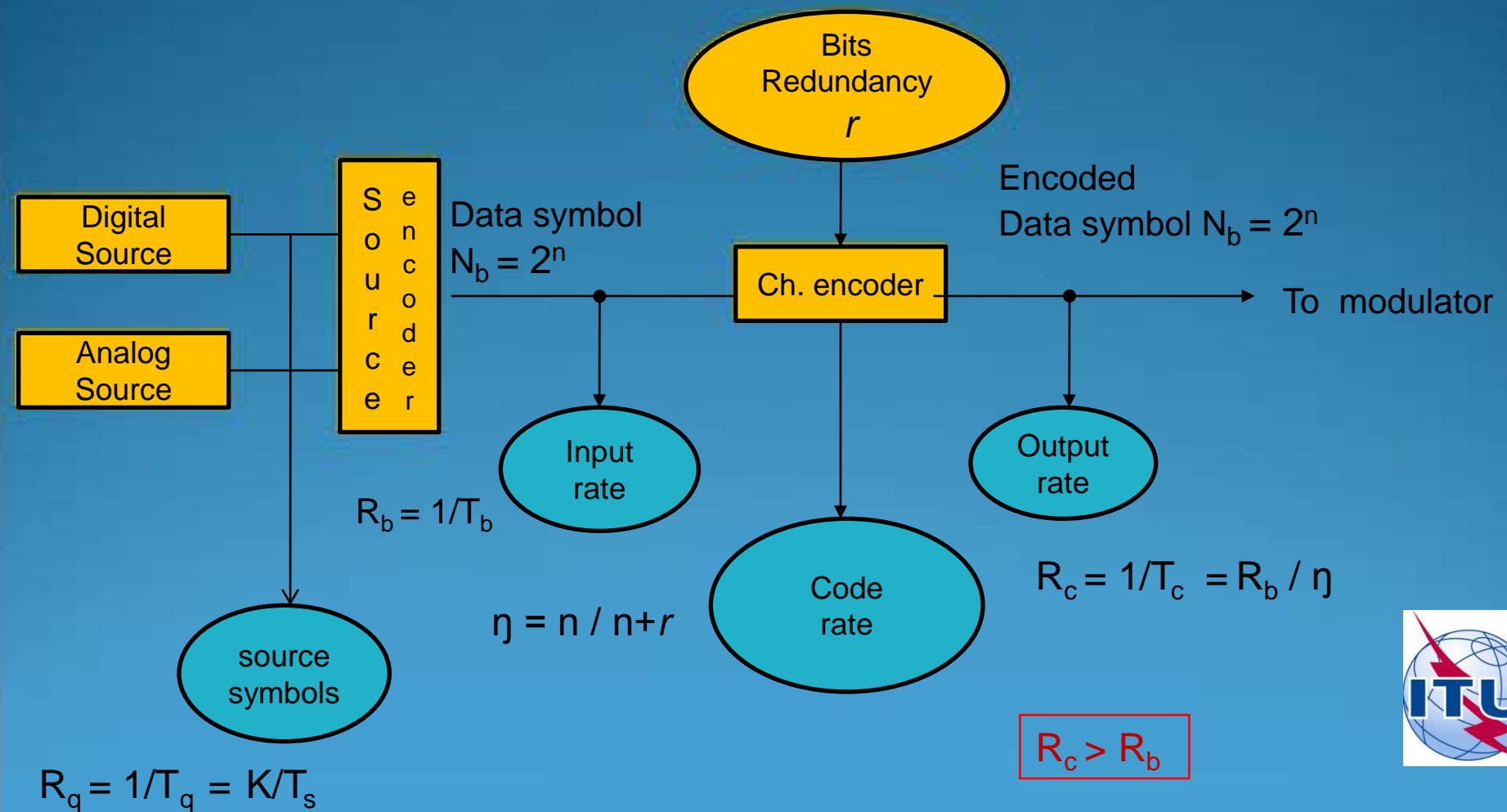
- When using bits of information e.g. 0's and 1's, to translate information we got from discrete signals previously sampled and quantized, information signals are referred to as **TDM baseband signals** once we are not limited in frequency.
- A baseband signal can be all-information or it can contain redundant bits making it a coded signal but it is still at baseband and still has fairly low frequency contents.

Network planning (baseband signals)

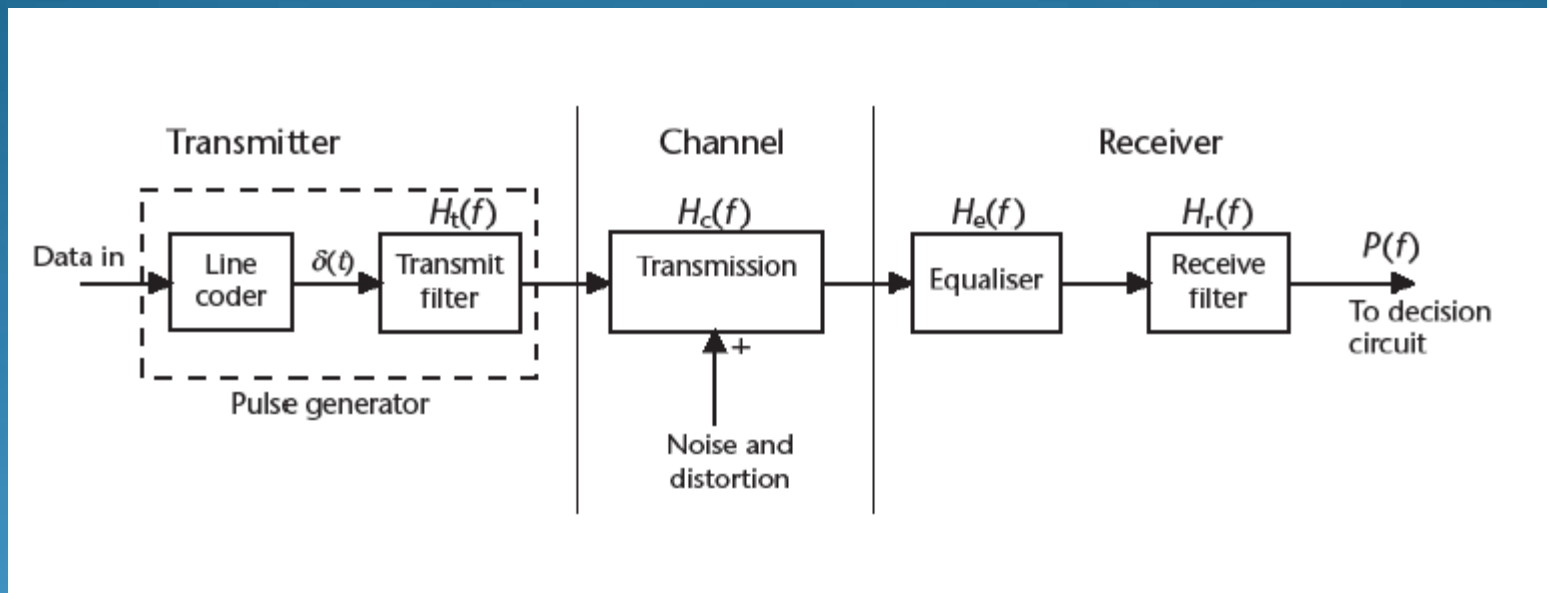
The main steps involved in the baseband signals structuring , are:

- Sampling, quantizing and encoding (analog to digital)
- Multiplexing from basic hierarchy to higher order
- Source encoding (to alter the information source for efficient transmission over the medium, that is minimize the source bit rate)
- Channel encoding (to make efficient use of the communication channel resources, e.g. bandwidth and power, redundancy bits are inserted for purposes of error control and error correction)
- Modulation (the process of converting the information so can be successfully sent through radio)

Network planning (digital transmission system)



Network planning (digital transmission system)



Transmitter - Line coder (NRZ, Manchester..), raised cosine filter

Transmission medium - attenuation, phase distortion, limited bw, noise and ISI

Receiver - equalizer (distortion compensation), raised cosine filter,

Network planning

(bb signals - line code characteristic)

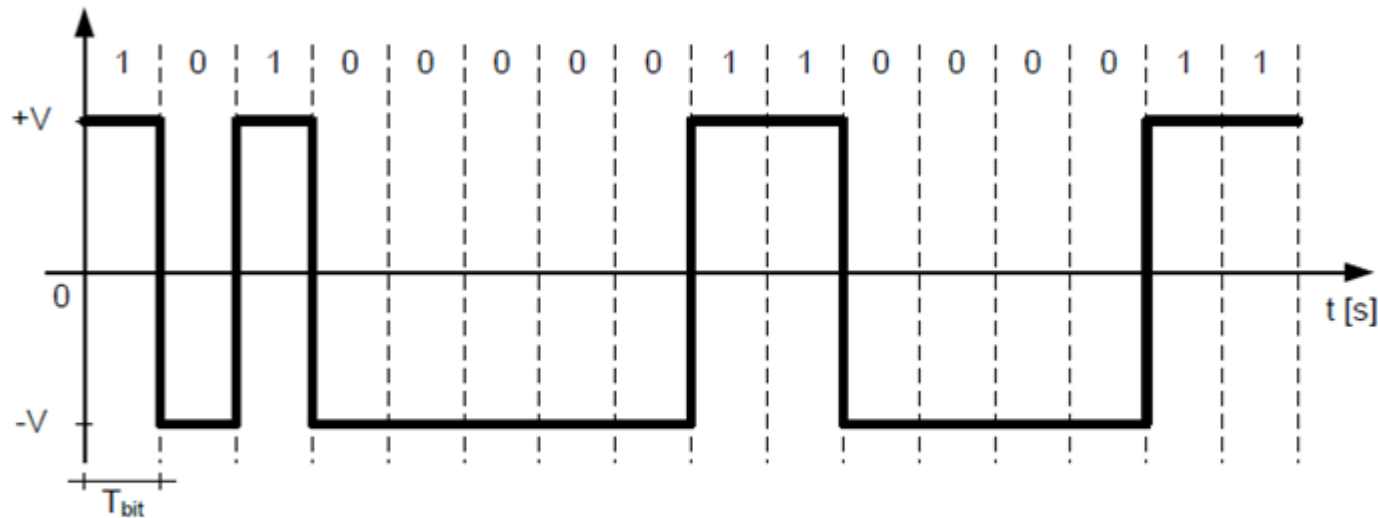
- Use of electrical pulse to codify bits “0” and “1”
- Pulses are directly in the medium
- Usually square wave
- Data stream spectrum adapted to frequency response of medium
- Data stream shall follow some timing rules for transitions to avoid synch loss and clock timing is embedded in data stream for recovery
- Vulnerable to environmental noise, interferences and ISI - Intersymbol interference

Network planning

(bb signals - NRZ code)

NRZ-Bipolar or NRZ-Polar

NRZ - Bipolar / NRZ - Polar



1° spectral zero

$$B_T = R_b$$

bandwidth

$$B_T = \frac{R_b}{2}(1 + \alpha)$$

Energy per bit

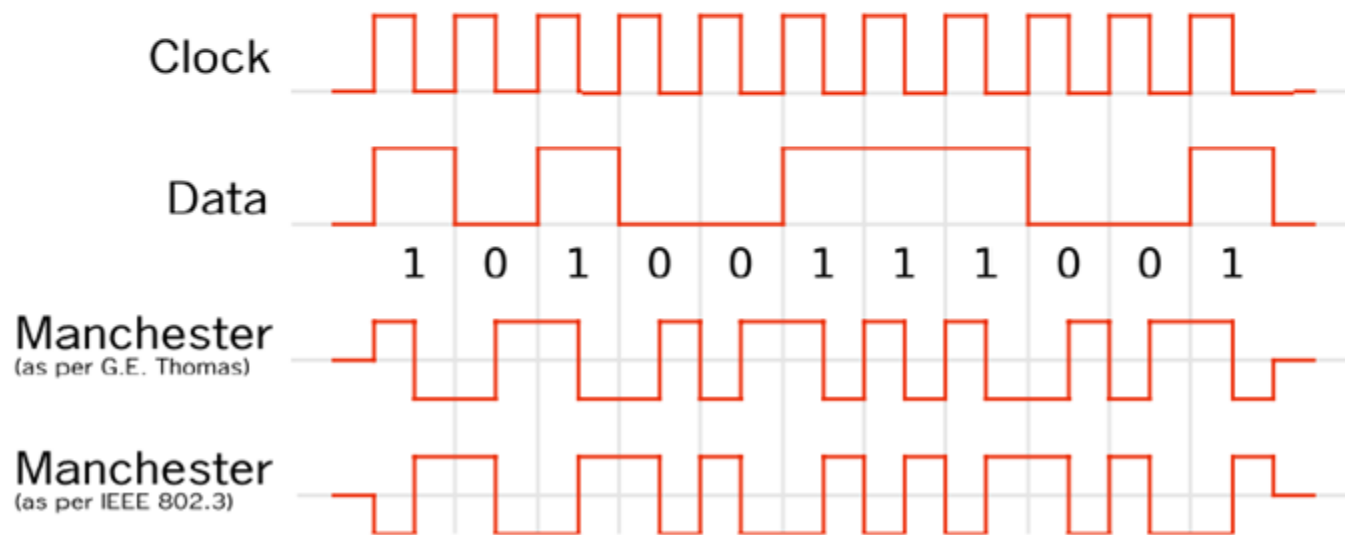
$$E_b = V^2 \cdot T_{\text{bit}}$$

Network planning

(bb signals - Manchester code)

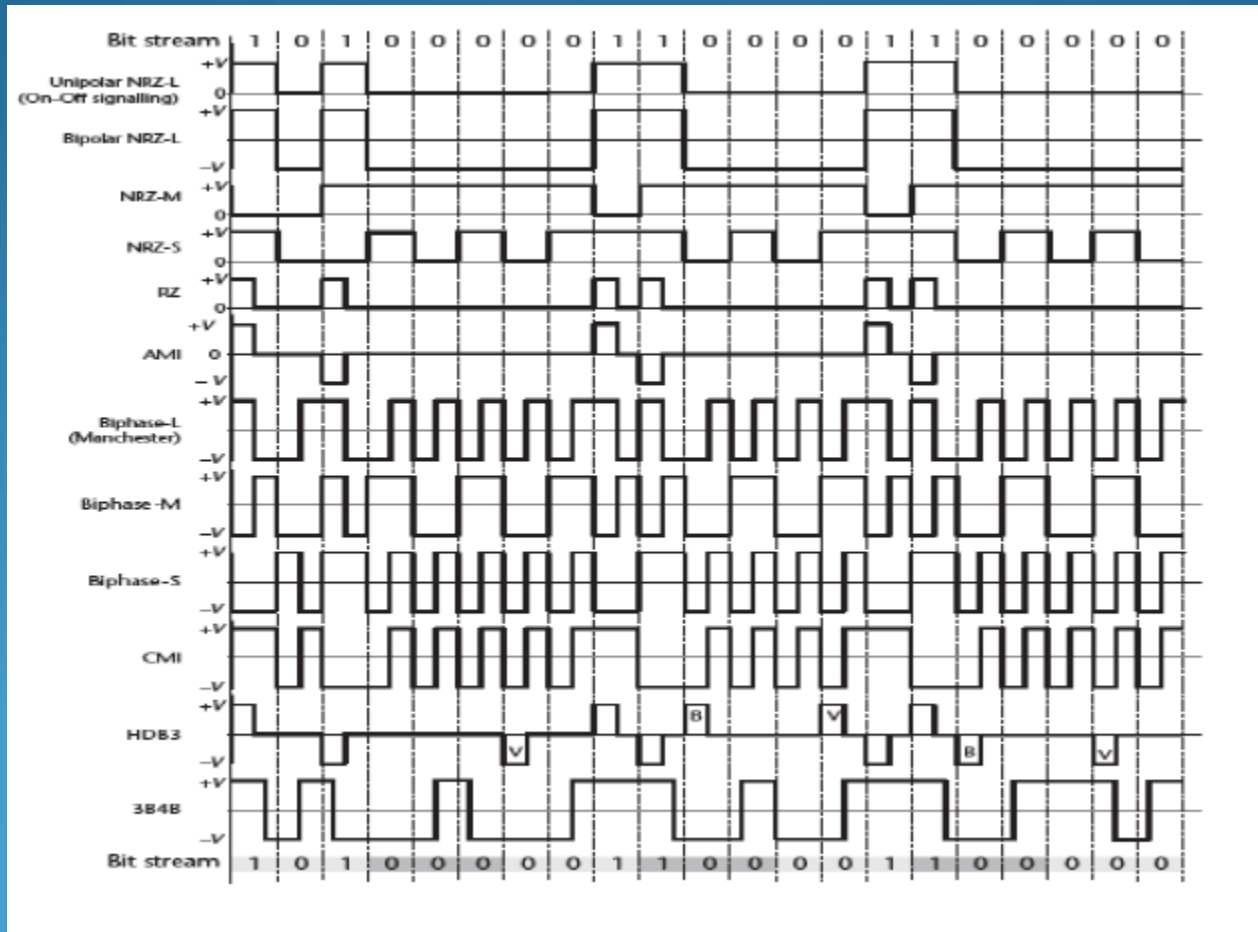
Código Manchester

- Manchester – Always mean value null
- Transition in the half bit period
 - The bandwidth is bigger than other codes



Network planning

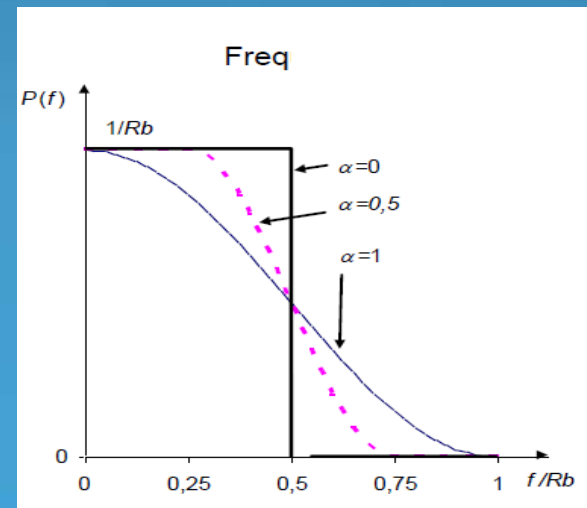
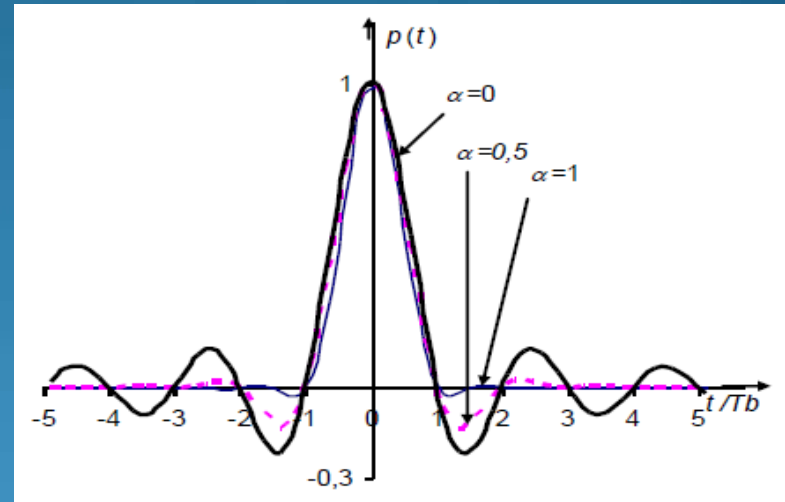
(bb signals - more common codes)



Network planning

(bb signals - ISI interference 1)

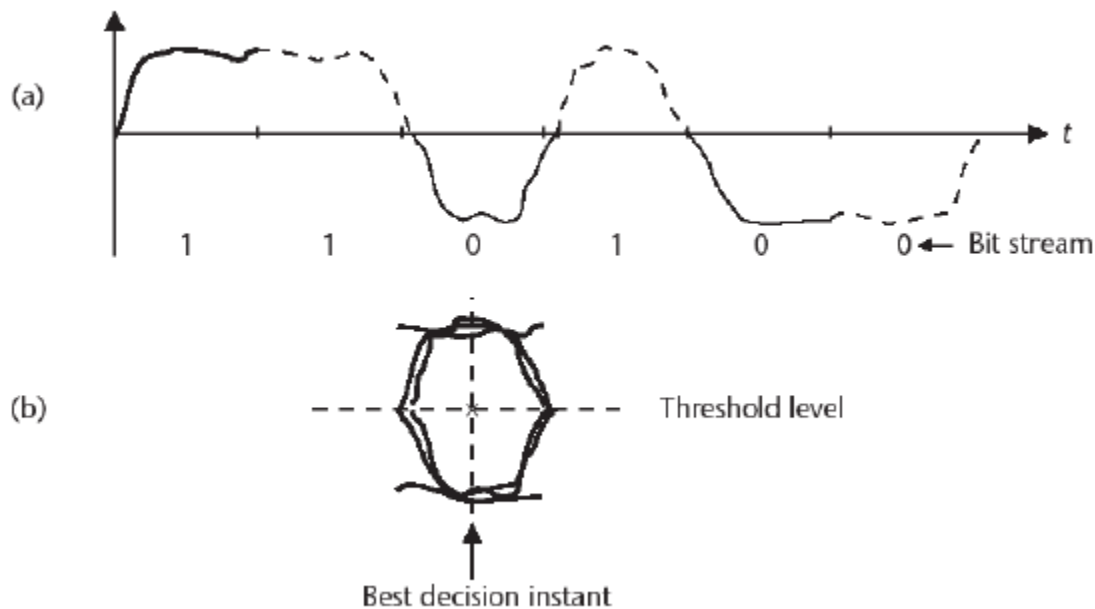
- In a baseband system ISI can be avoided by an appropriate choice of lowpass filter, according to Nyquist criteria, called “raised cosine filter” whose objective is to create in the receiver a pulse whose shape is “ $\sin x / x$ ”, where T_b is the bit period, so that at the instant one pulse is sampled the “tails” from all preceeding pulses which have zero value



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(bb signals - ISI interference 2)

Figure 6.33

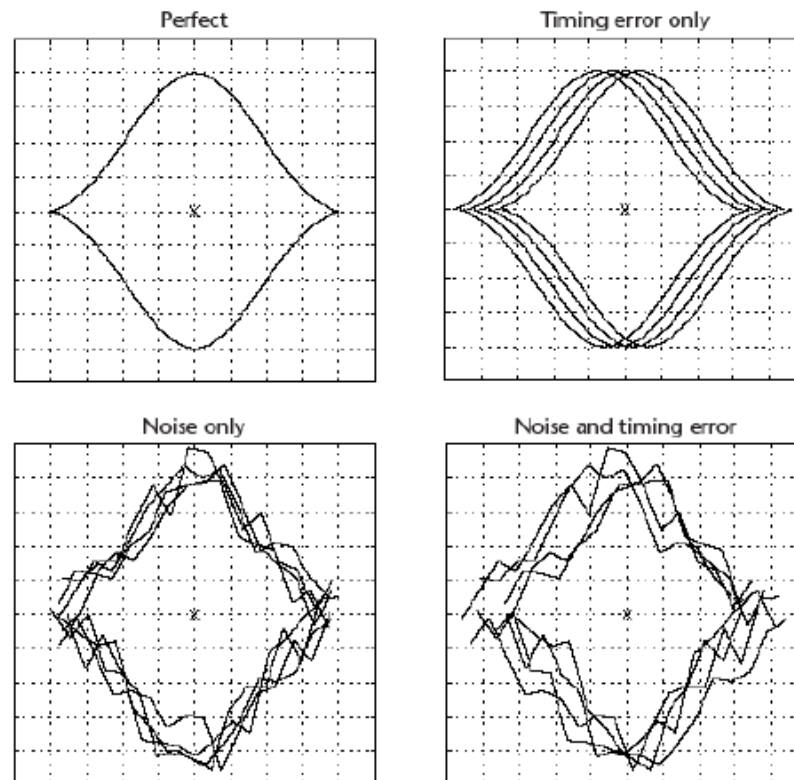


Eyediagram, does evaluate the ISI in a digital transmission

Network planning

(bb signals - ISI interference 3)

Figure 6.34



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Network planning

(digital com. techniques - multiplexing)

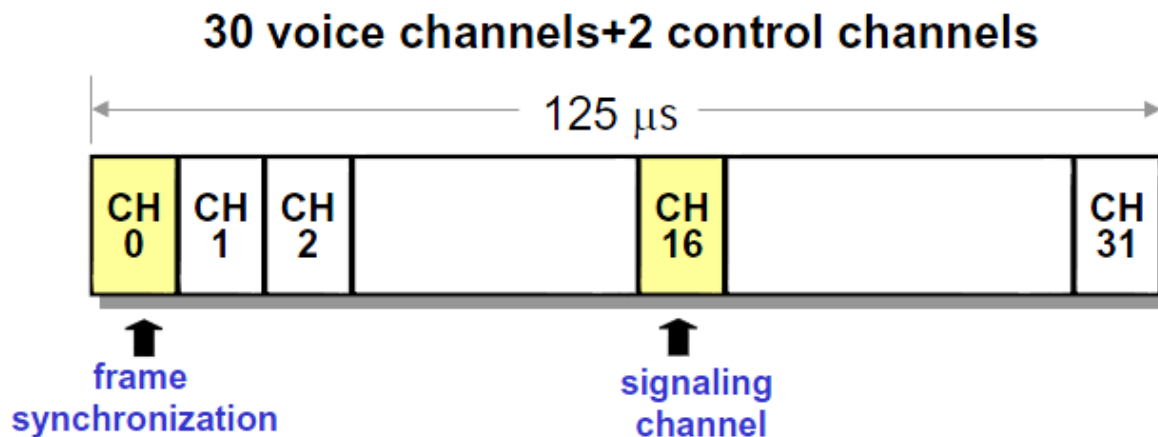
- A group of signals previously digitized are combined so as to be transmitted in a process named “multiplexing” where many channels share the medium by “taking turns”, each one being connected very briefly then replaced by the next.
- At the receiving end of the link a matching demultiplexer carries out the reverse operation. Here the receiver must know the sequence of the “8 bits words” it receives , which is done by inserting a synchronizing word in the traffic at the multiplexer that can be recognized at the remote end and is used as reference
- There are also extra words whose information is often referred to as “overhead” because it is carried along with the traffic, and has nothing to do with the traffic information



Network planning (digital E1 structure)

We reached the 1st hierarchy in digital transmission, e.g 2,048 Mb/s (not 64×30) because
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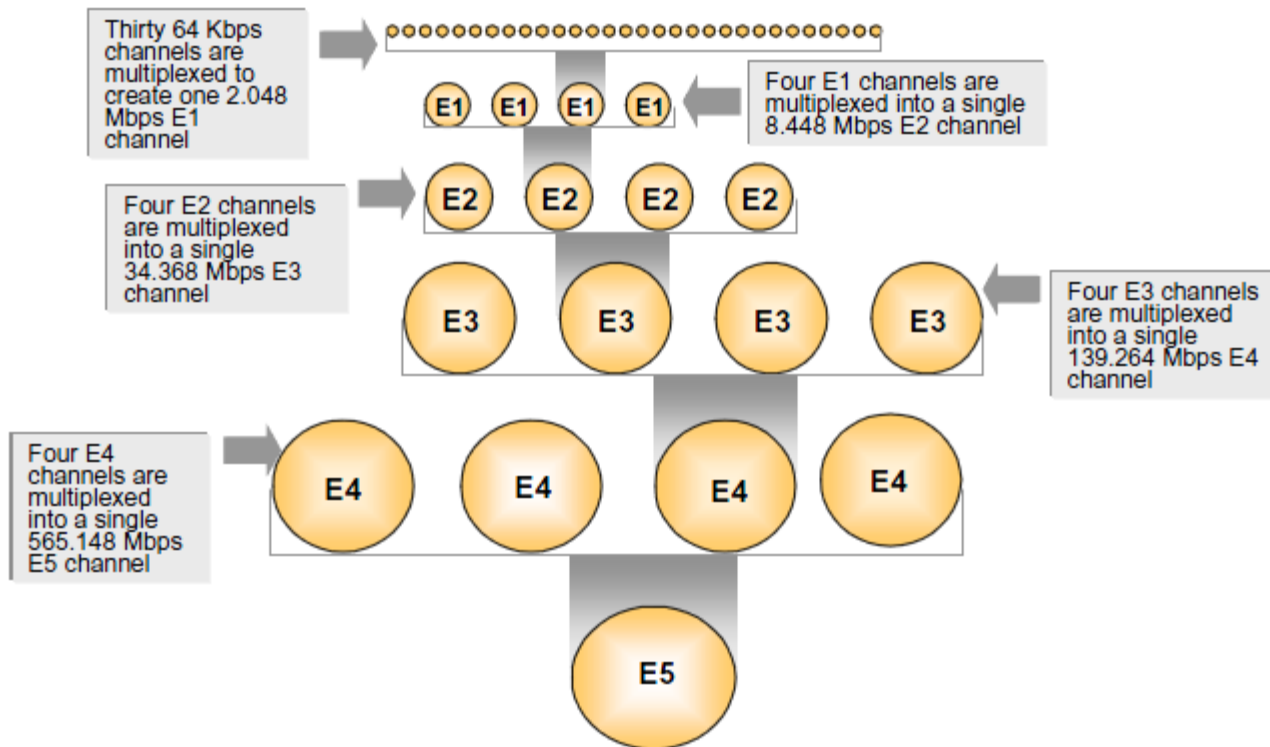
E1-frame



$$\text{E1 bit rate : } (32 \times 8 \text{ bit}) / 125 \mu\text{s} = 2.048 \text{ Mbps}$$

Network planning (higher digital hierarchy)

E-carrier



Network planning

(Digital Communications techniques)

- With advent of transmission between computers, between terminals and computers, digital voice (VoIP) etc, the digital modulation is the most obvious choice to assure transmissions that were originally digital or used by digital equipments. Even in case of analog signals - as telephone channel or television - with large bandwidth requirements, there is benefit from analog to digital code processing (and digital to analog conversion). Although this process can be costly in terms of bandwidth, offers improved noise performance, and immunity to interference.
- Digital transmission leads naturally to TDM and TDMA, respectively, being Time division Multiplex and Time Division Multiple Access, techniques used to transmit a signal through a transponder allowing just one signal at a time, thus avoiding intermodulation problems..

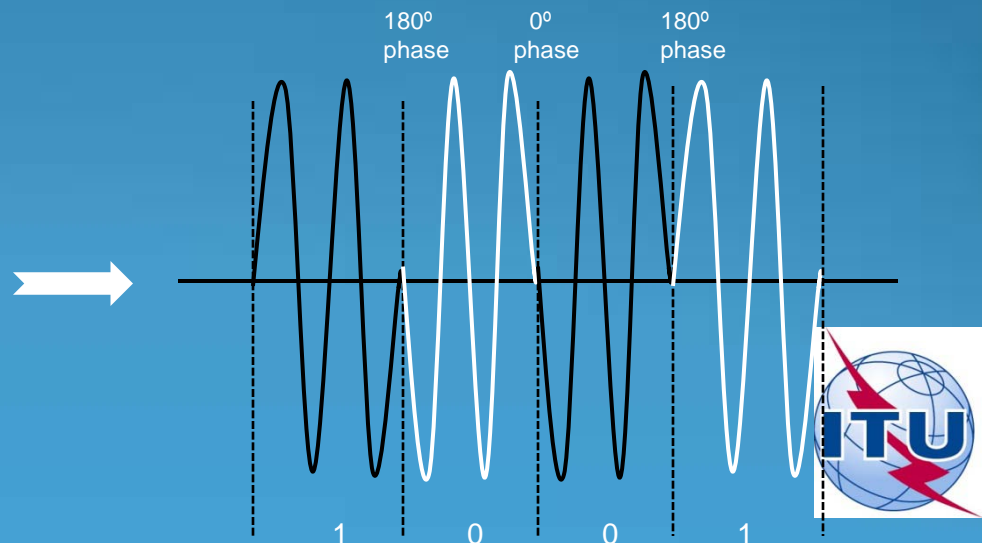


Network planning

(modulation techniques)

While any feature of a signal - amplitude, frequency and phase - may be digitally modulated, phase modulation is almost universally used for satellites. For historical reasons, digital phase modulation is frequently called *phase shift keying abbreviated PSK*. An M-phase PSK modulator puts the phase of a carrier into one of the M states according to value of a modulating voltage. Two phase or biphase PSK is called BSK .

In this case of modulation (direct codification) the phase of the signal carrier is advanced or delayed depending on the type of modulation equipment (terminal equipment) , hence in the present case what matters are change state (phase)



Network planning

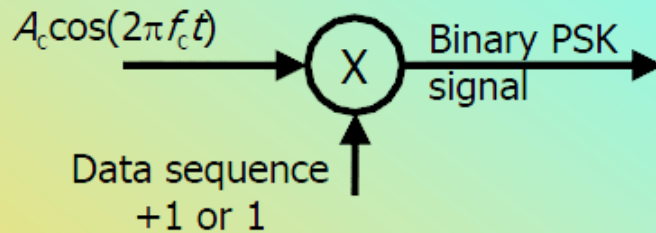
(modulation techniques)

- Biphase or Binary Phase-Shift Keying (BPSK) modulation is the simplest form of PSK, where the phase shift changes with each new data bit. In this case, a binary source code is mapped one bit at a time into a pair of phase states with 180-degree phase difference.
- Quadrature Phase Shift Keying (QPSK) encodes each pair of bits into one of four phases, and one of the principal advantages of QPSK over BPSK is that QPSK achieves the same power efficiency as BPSK with only half of the bandwidth. QPSK is of particular importance for satellite data transmissions and, therefore. The name four-phase or quadriphase refers to the fact that one carrier is modulated along a 0 - degree, 180 - degree phase vector (the in-phase or cosine channel), and the other along a 90 - degree, 270 - degree phase vector (the quadrature or sine channel). Ideally, the two channels are independent.

Network planning

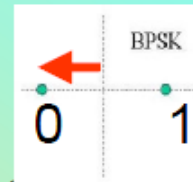
(modulation techniques - BPSK)

Binary Phase-Shift Keying BPSK (2-QAM)



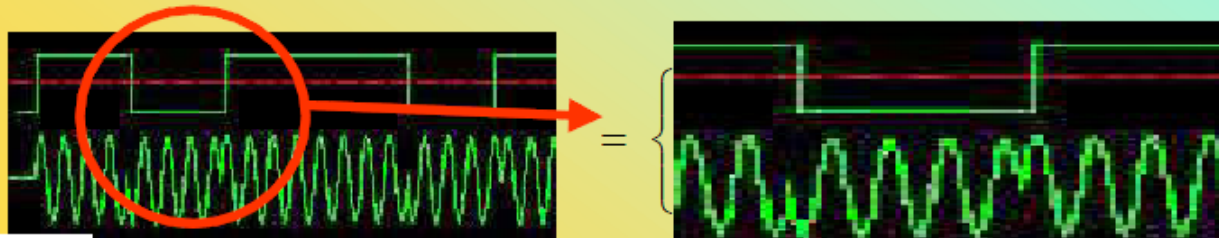
Carrier is multiplied
+1(Binary 1) or -
1(Binary 0)

- Signal is represented as a vector
- A change in phase (180°) is a change in Binary code ~



$$s(t) = \begin{cases} A \cos(2\pi f_c t) & \text{binary 1} \\ A \cos(2\pi f_c t + \pi) & \text{binary 0} \end{cases}$$

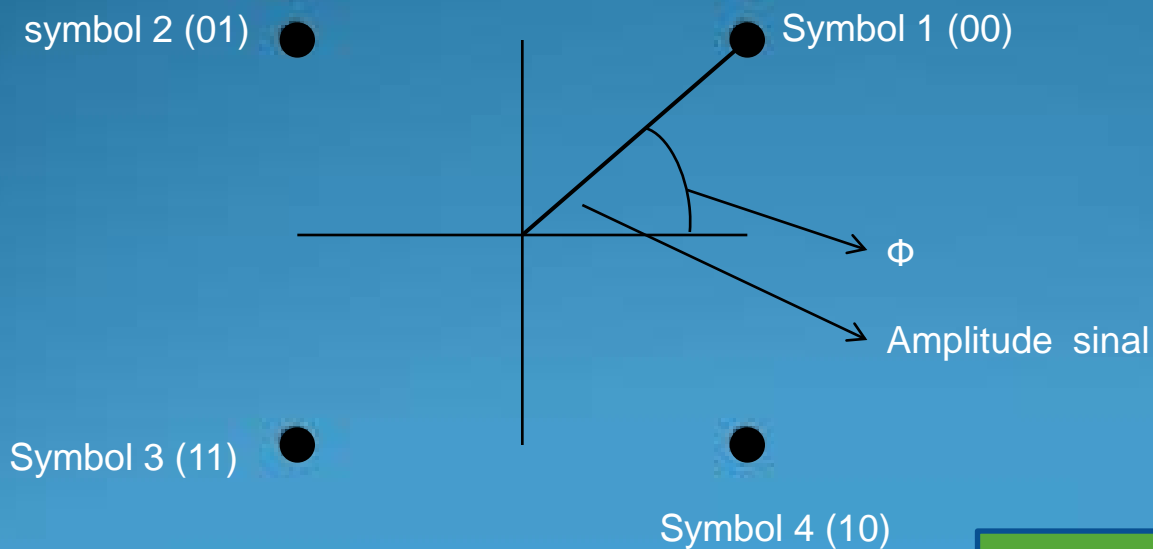
$$\begin{aligned} &A \cos(2\pi f_c t) && \text{binary 1} \\ &-A \cos(2\pi f_c t) && \text{binary 0} \end{aligned}$$



Network planning

(modulation techniques - QPSK)

- Representation of modulation diagram, known per “constellation” (screenshot of polar representation –magnitude and phase - of the measurement equipments display)



Symb. ch	00	01	11	10
ϕ°	45	135	225	315

Network planning

(digital modulation - design trade off)

Required IF bandwidth (~ 1.3 symbol rate)

- Assume Bit rate 26 Mbits/s
- BPSK \rightarrow (1 bit / symbol) $\rightarrow 26 * 1.3 = 33.8$ MHz
- QPSK \rightarrow (2 bit / symbol) $\rightarrow 26 * 1.3 / 2 = 16.9$ MHz
- 8PSK \rightarrow (3 bit / symbol) $\rightarrow 26 * 1.3 / 3 = 11.3$ MHz
- 16QAM \rightarrow (4 bit / symbol) $\rightarrow 26 * 1.3 / 4 = 8.65$ MHz

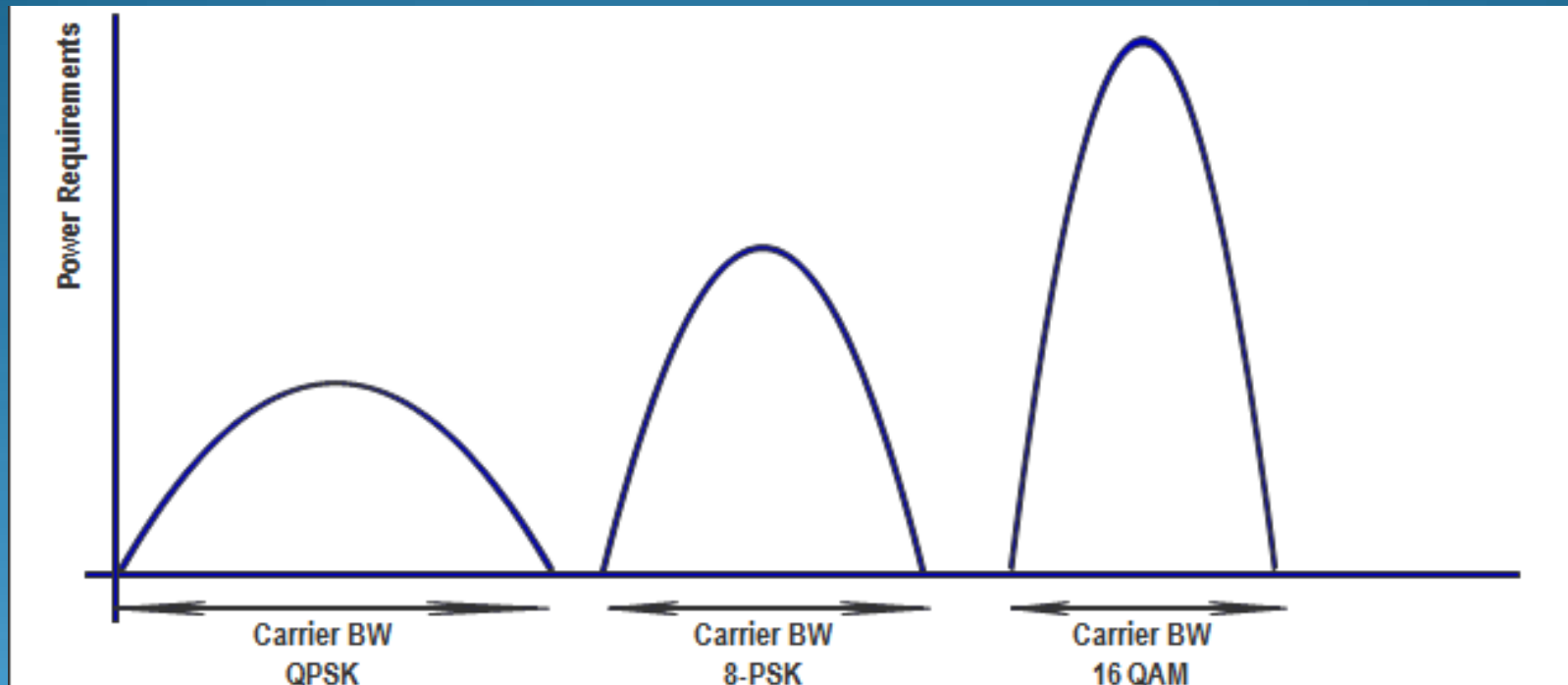
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- More complex modulation requires less bandwidth & less power, see example next slide



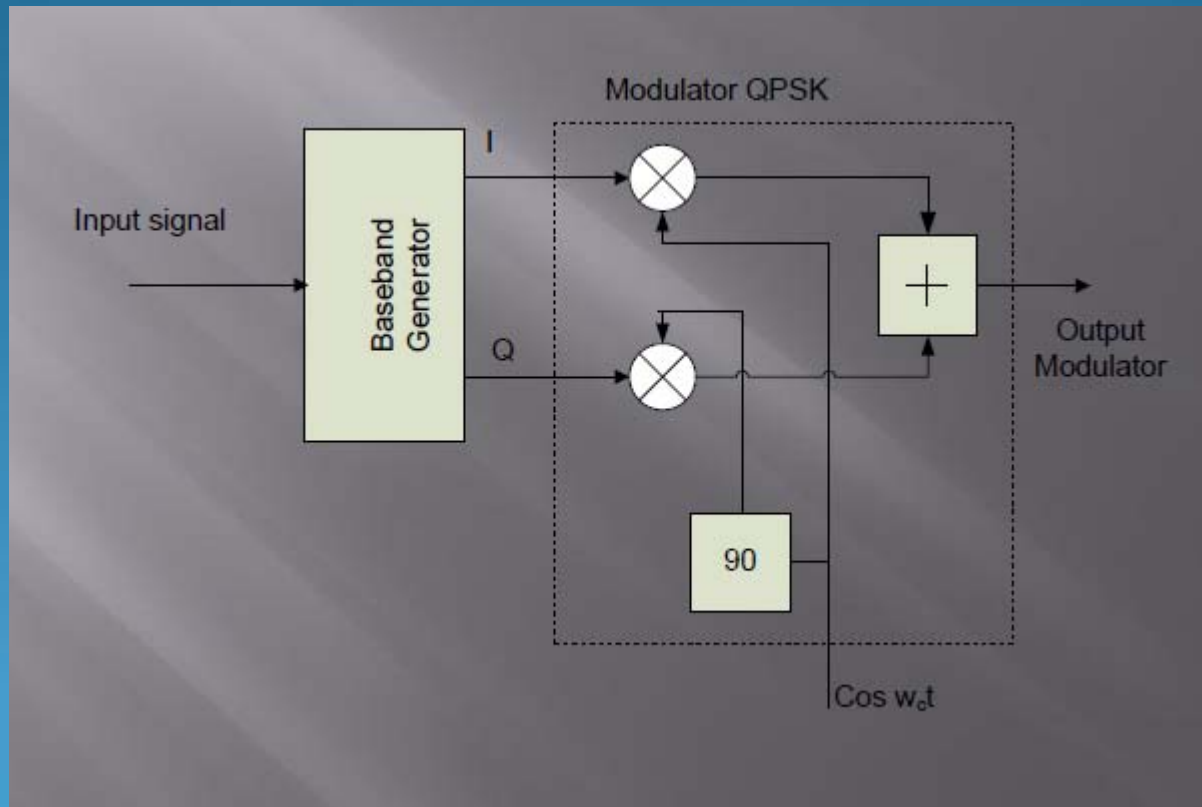
Network planning

(modulation techniques - different sat carrier)



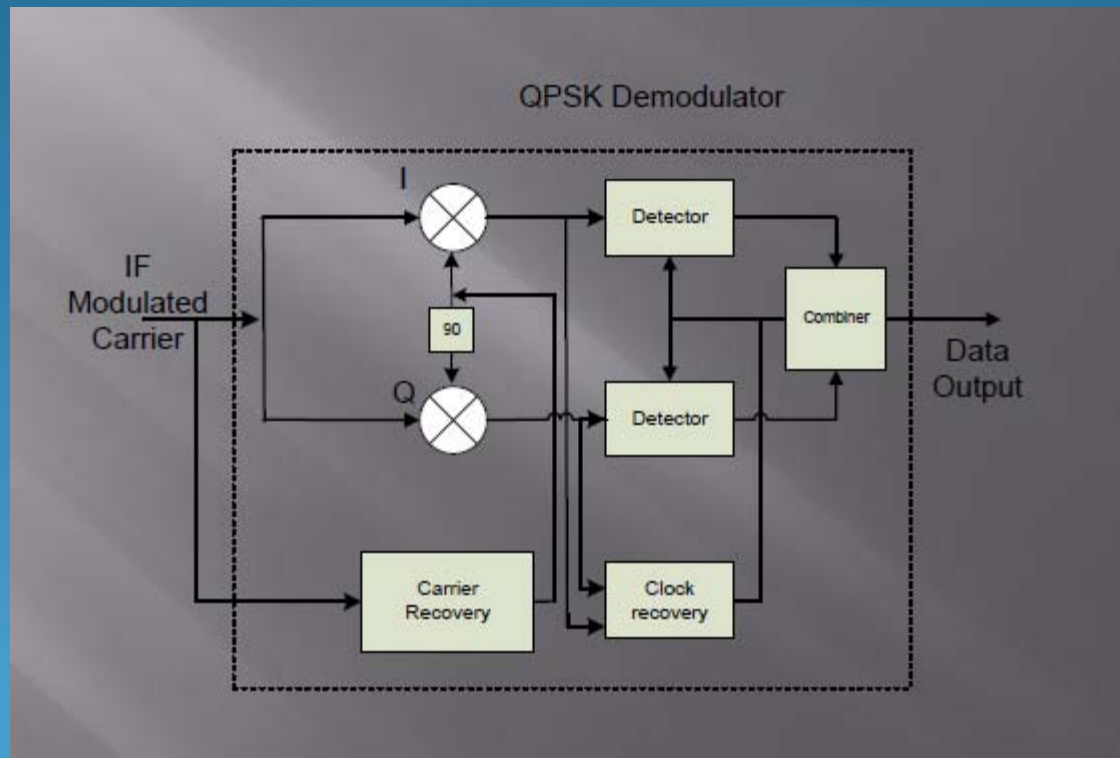
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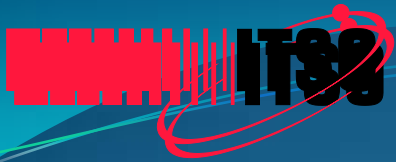
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(modulation techniques – QPSK demodulator)



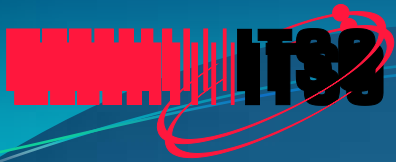


Network planning (link budget analysis 1)

- The design of a satellite communications link involves compromises among several factors with purpose of achieving maximum performance, e.g.
 - Specified BER In normal conditions of working (digital link) or C/N
 - Link availability or % time the BER is better than previously specified as threshold (ex. 10^{-3} ou 10^{-4}) or a minimum S / N (analog link)

But at what costs?





Network planning (link budget analysis 2)

- Customer requests:
- Minimum Lease Bandwidth
- Maximum Power
- Maximum Carrier Size
- Minimum Earth Station Size

You can't have it all!

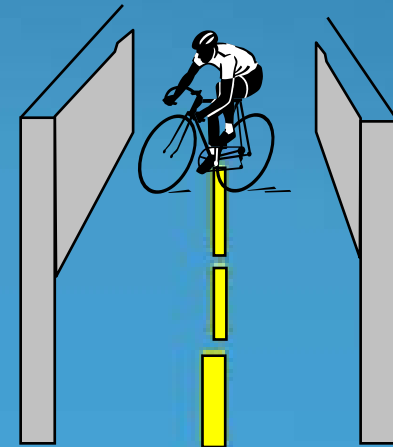
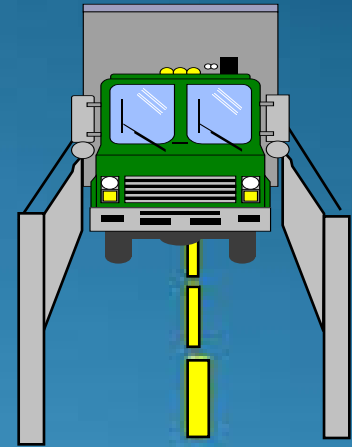


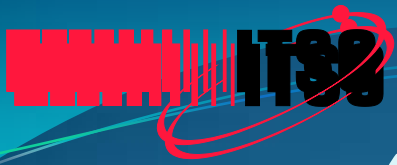
Network planning (link budget analysis 3)

Requirement “minimum bandwidth”

Any satellite has bandwidth
and power limitations

Satellite	Banda	BW	EIRP
IS- IX	C	<72	< 42,8
IS-IX	Ku	<77	<47
IS-10	C	<36	<46,4
IS-10	Ku	<36	<55,4





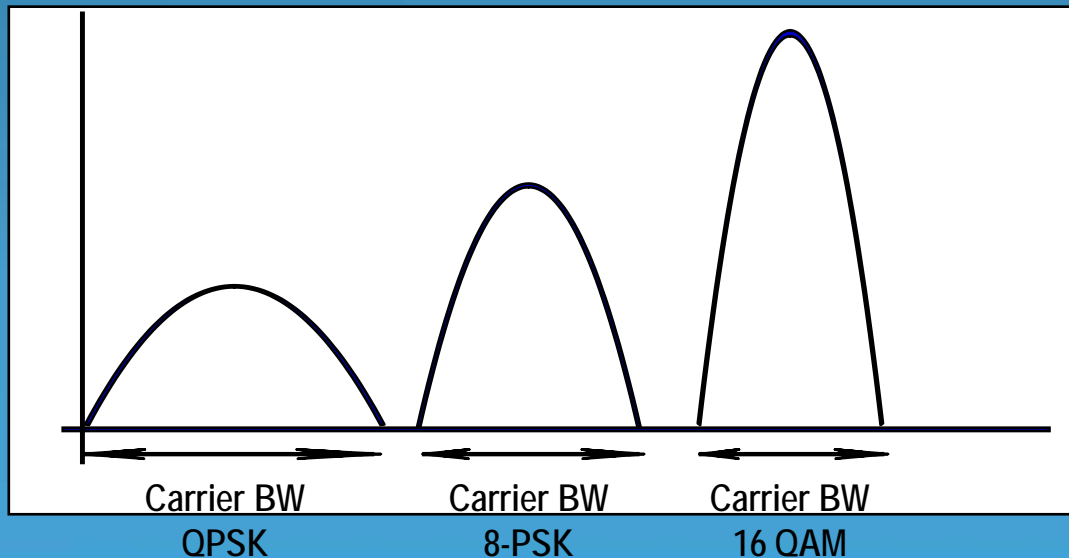
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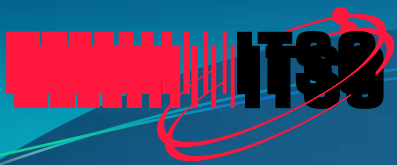


The solution is to limit the bandwidth occupied using the satellite techniques discussed earlier, and the level of the carrier signal, through the use of

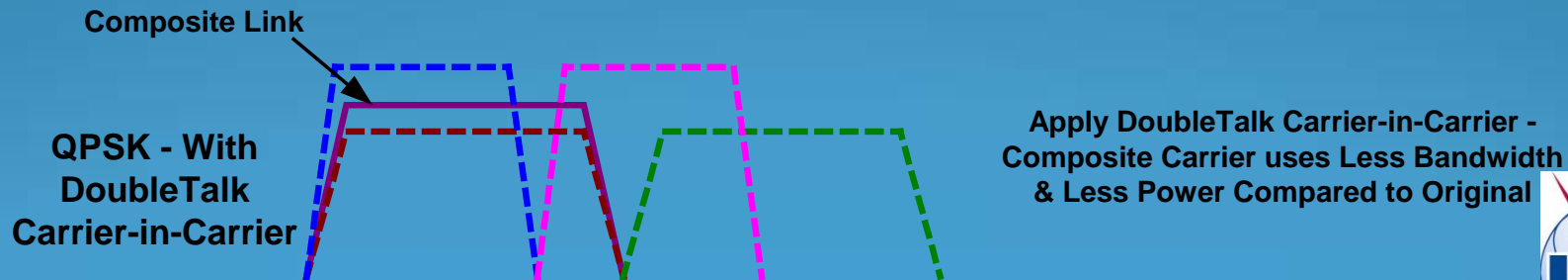
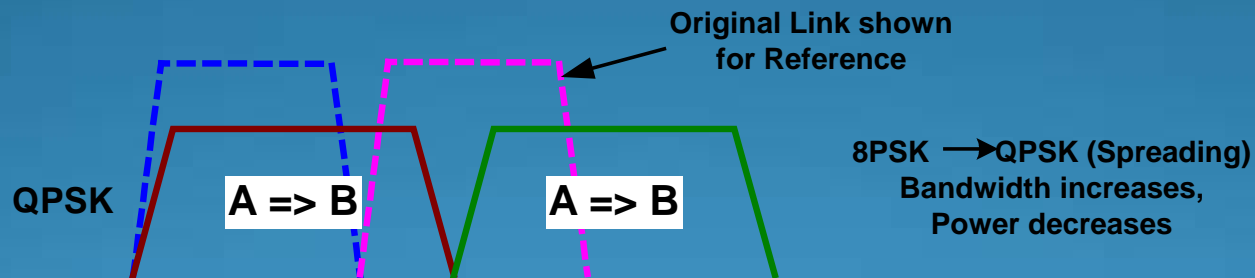
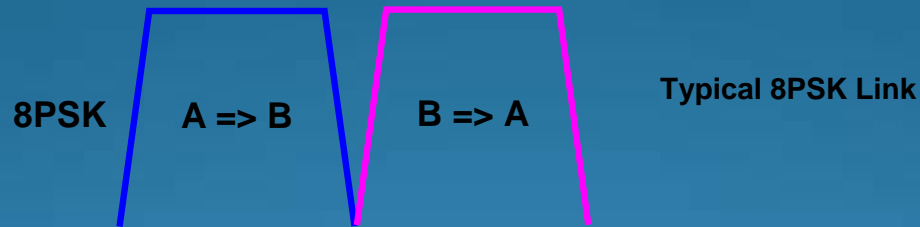
- Modulation - QPSK, 8-PSK.....
- Data rate, FEC, código RS etc

Impact of
Modulation





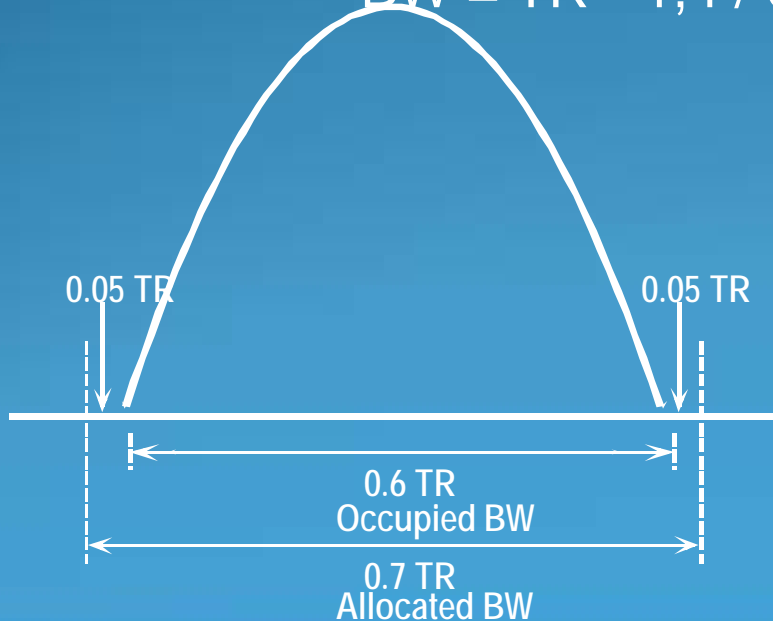
Network planning (link budget analysis 5)



Network planning

(link budget analysis 6)

- **Binary Output** taking into account the transmission rate which in turn is dependent on the used **FEC**, not forgetting the guard bands for the bandwidth that is allocated:
 - $TR = DR * 1 / FEC * 1 / RS$
 - $BW = TR * 1,4 / \delta$ ($\delta=1$ -BPSK, 2-QPSK, 3-8PSK, 4-16QAM)



BW	512K-1/2	512K-3/4
BPSK	1,4366	0,9557
QPSK	0,7168	0,4778
8PSK	0,4778	0,3186
16QAM	0,3584	0,2389

Network planning (link budget analysis 7)

- Requirement to "maximize the output power of the satellite" or what will give the same "power conversion efficiency by bandwidth" (PEB-power equivalent bw) translates into the inverse of saving bandwidth. In fact the result of excessive use of resources, reflected in higher MOD.

FEC means \gg PEB, Power limited links have \gg PEB

- OIS charge the largest
 - Allocated bandwidth or PEB

Once again balance shall be achieved so the carrier must be optimized, following:

1. $BER = f(E_b / N_0)$ and the E_b / N_0 comes from C / N
2. Some additional margins shall be considered to compensate the rain attenuation, e.g.
 - Ku band 3 - 8 dB
 - C band 1- 2 dB

Network planning

(link budget analysis 8)

Allocated BW

- Actually used X_p BW
- Linear function of modulation and FEC
- Decreases with higher order MODs and FECs
- “Bandwidth Limited” links have greater allocated BW compared to PEB

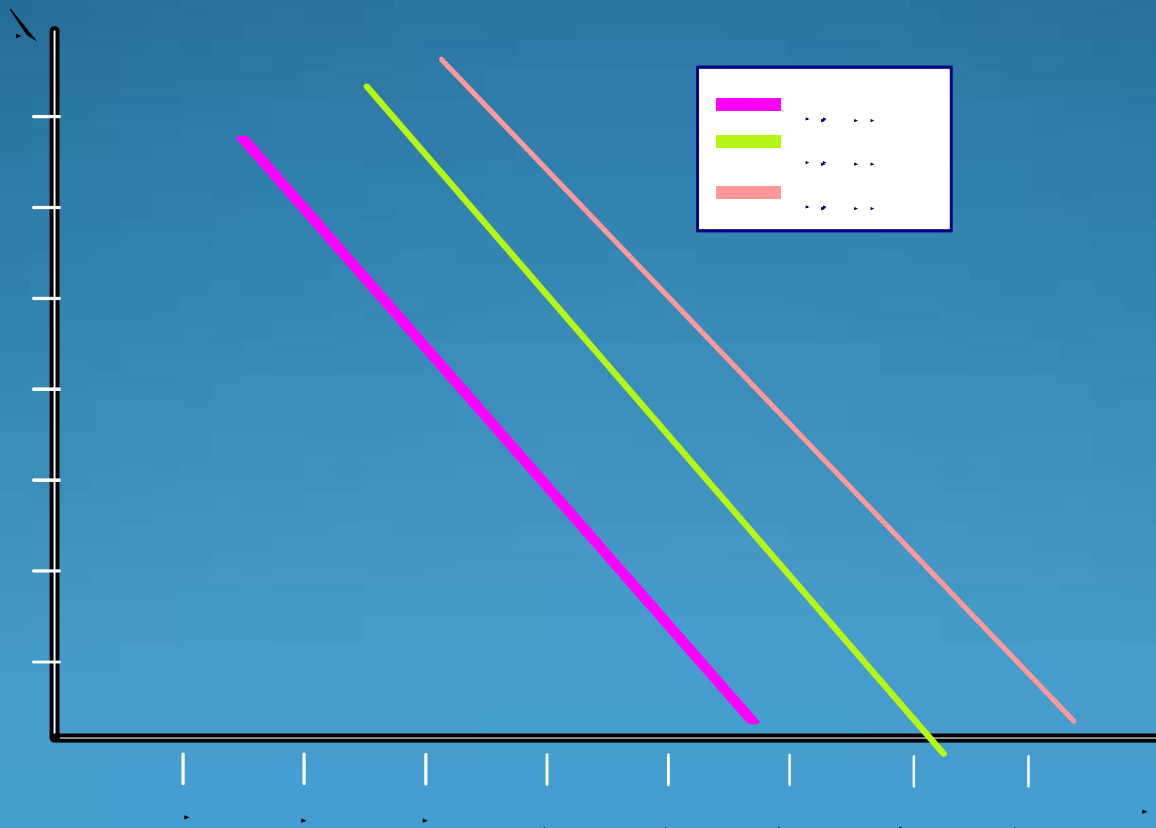
Power Equivalent BW

- Required to close link X_p power
- Complicated function of hub antenna, remote antenna and satellite specifics along with required E_b/N_0
- Increases with higher order mods and FECs
- “Power Limited” links have greater PEB compared to allocated BW



Network planning

(link budget analysis 9)



Network planning

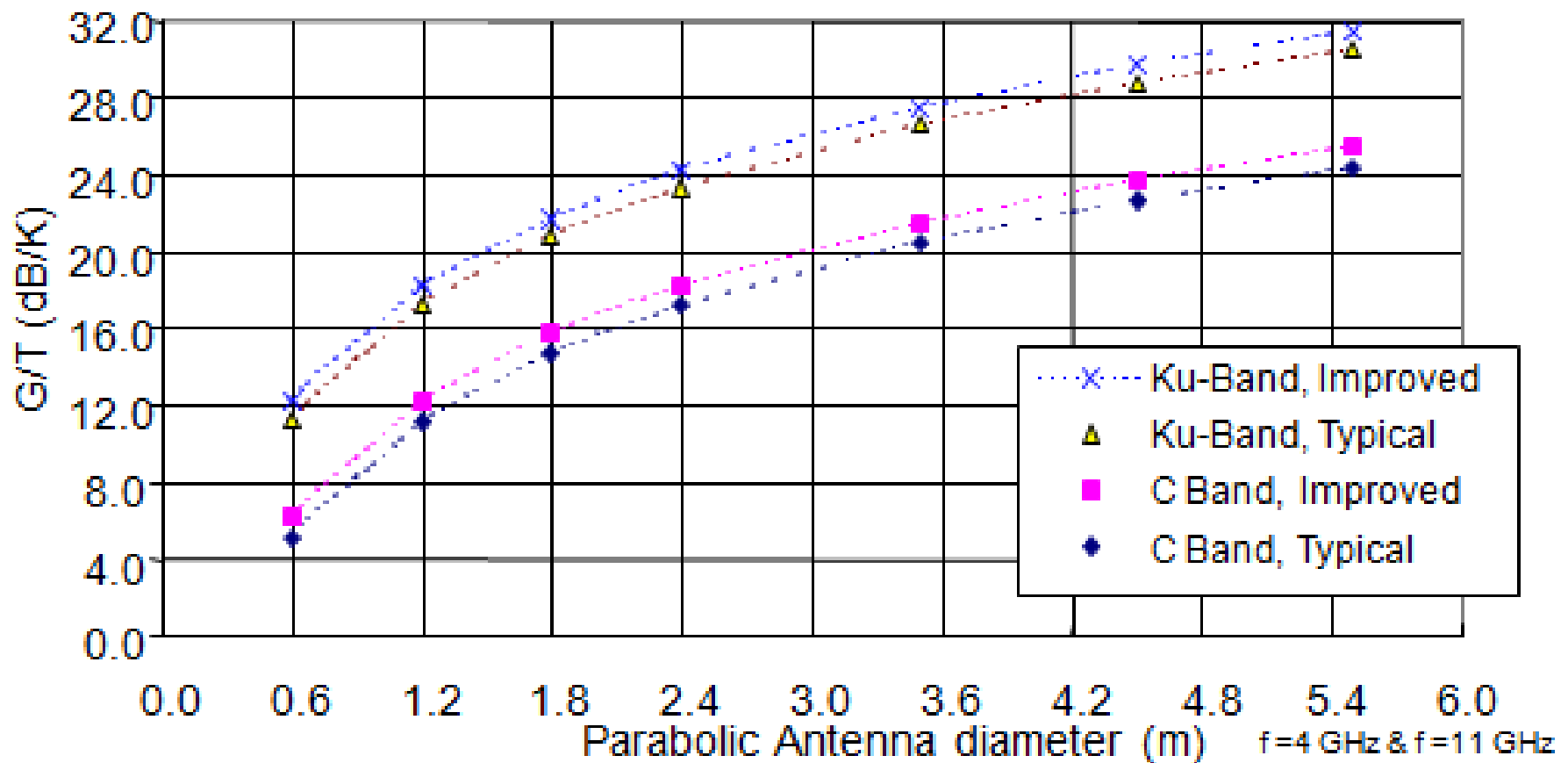
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Requirement “minimize investment”

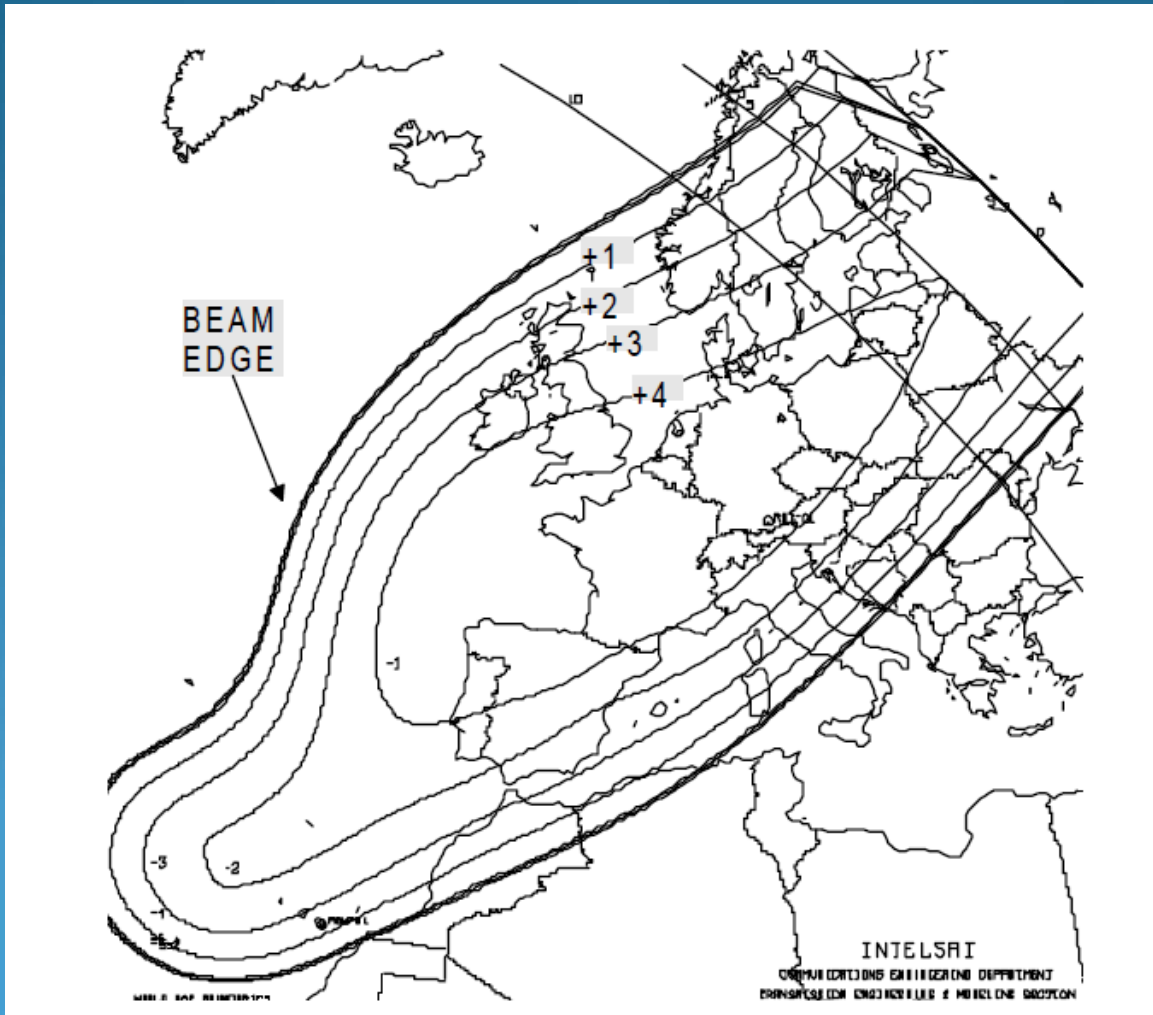
- Antenna size
 - Bigger antenna bigger gain, more expensive
- HPAn sizing, impact on
 - Carrier characteristics (Data rate)
 - Link performance
 - Transponder sensibility
- Antenna G / T optimization
 - Bigger antenna better G / T
- Antenna location, e.g.
 - Pattern advantage in the pattern radiation

Network planning

(link budget analysis 11)



Network planning (link budget analysis 12)





Network planning

(input parameters – basic tx)

$$F = \frac{P_t}{4 \pi R^2} \text{ W/m}^2 \quad \text{Or with na antenna (G)}$$

$$F = \frac{P_t G_t}{4 \pi R^2} \text{ W/m}^2$$

To a parabolic antenna with $A_e = \eta A_r \rightarrow P_r = F A_e$

$$P_r = \frac{P_t G_t A_e}{4 \pi R^2} \text{ W/m}^2 \quad \text{And from antenna theory}$$

$$G_r = \frac{4 \pi A_e}{\lambda^2}$$

$$P_r = P_t G_t G_r \left[\frac{\lambda}{4 \pi R} \right]^2 \text{ W} \quad \text{In other way}$$

$$P_r = \frac{\text{EIRP} \times G_r}{\text{Total Loss}^*}$$

Into dB

$$P_r \Big|_{\text{dB}} = (\text{EIRP} + G_r - \underbrace{L_p - L_a - L_{ta} - L_{ra}}_{\text{* >> includes path loss}}) \text{ dBW}$$

* >> includes path loss



Network planning (noise temperature 1)

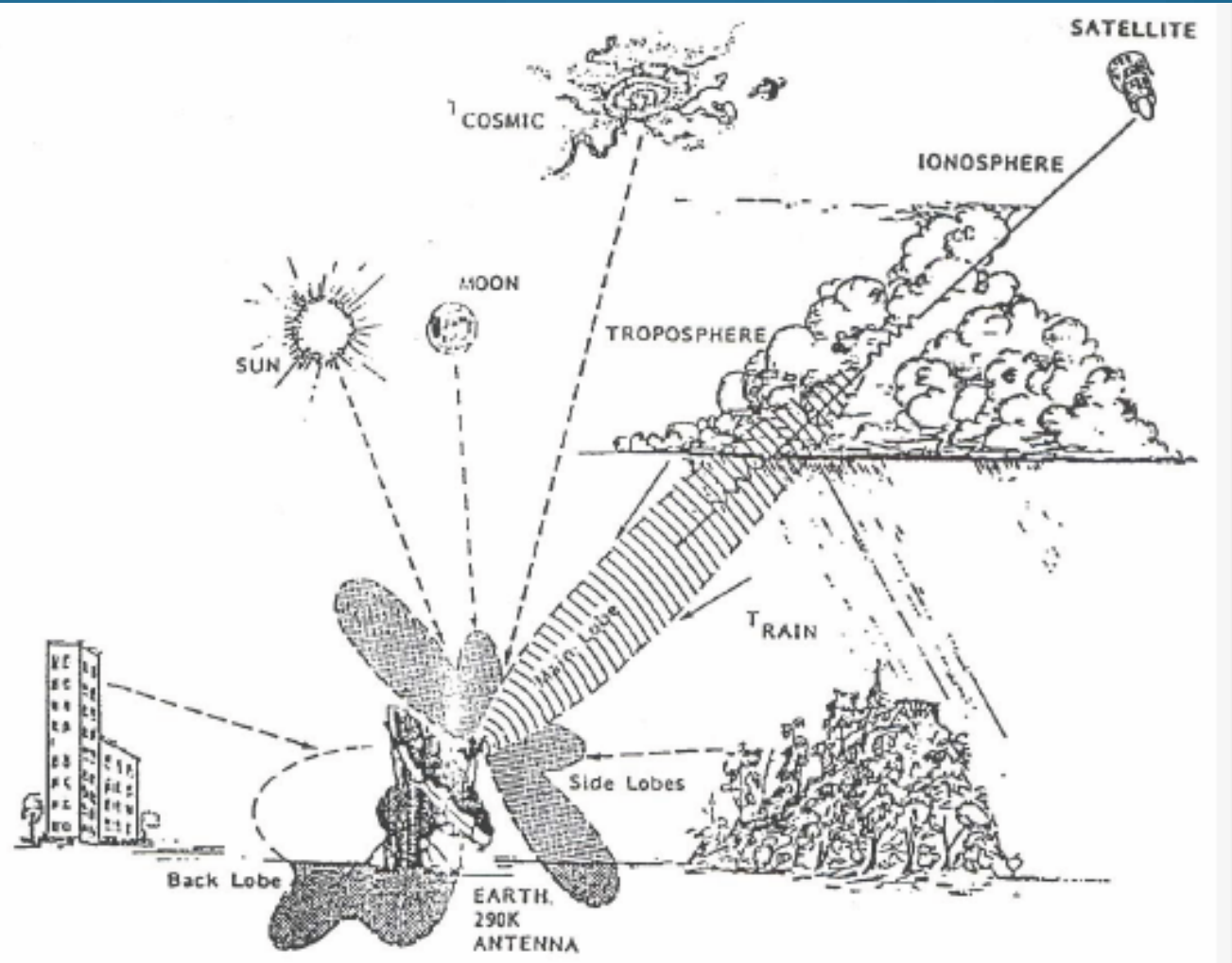
- At microwave frequencies all objects with physical temperature T_p greater than 0°K generate electrical noise. This noise can impact on the level of signal that the antenna has to receive.
- Being N_0 the spectral noise density and T_A (to the antenna) the temperature (in $^\circ\text{K}$) the value of that is $N_0 = K T_A \text{ W/Hz}$
- The T_A is function of the antenna physical temperature, of the thermal absorption of external sources as well as its gain and its orientation towards those radiant sources ..

Network planning (noise temperature 2)

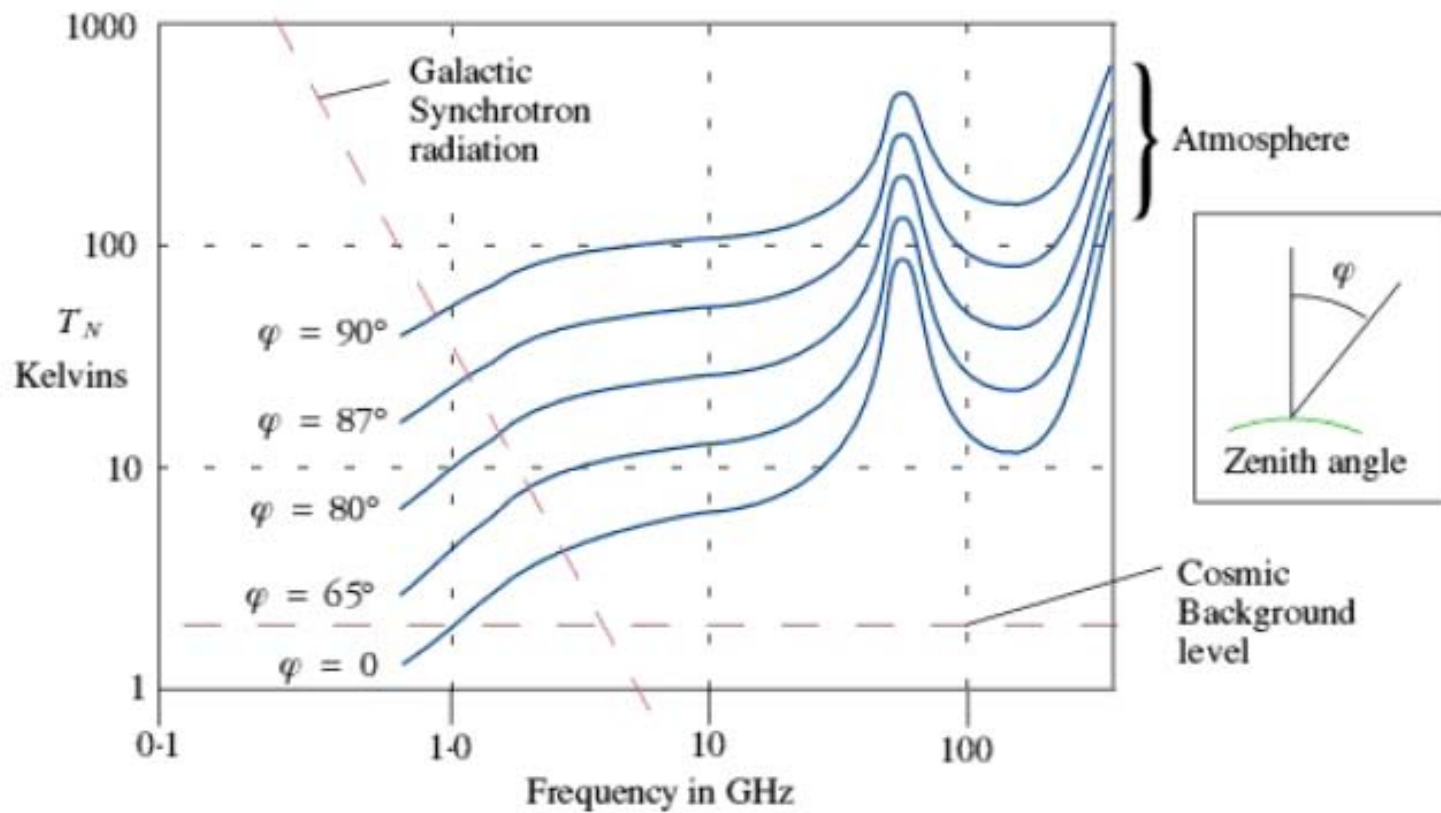
- The antenna once pointed to the satellite is affected by the star noise and terrestrial radiation (see next slides), whose magnitude will be a function of the antenna elevation and the size of the main and sidelobes.
- There are also other phenomena that are a function of *path length* such as - rain absorption and diffusion, refraction or electromagnetic wave depolarization - in the atmosphere and ionosphere (see next slides) which contribute to the noise power increase at the antenna either through the signal attenuation or the noise increase



Network planning (noise sources)

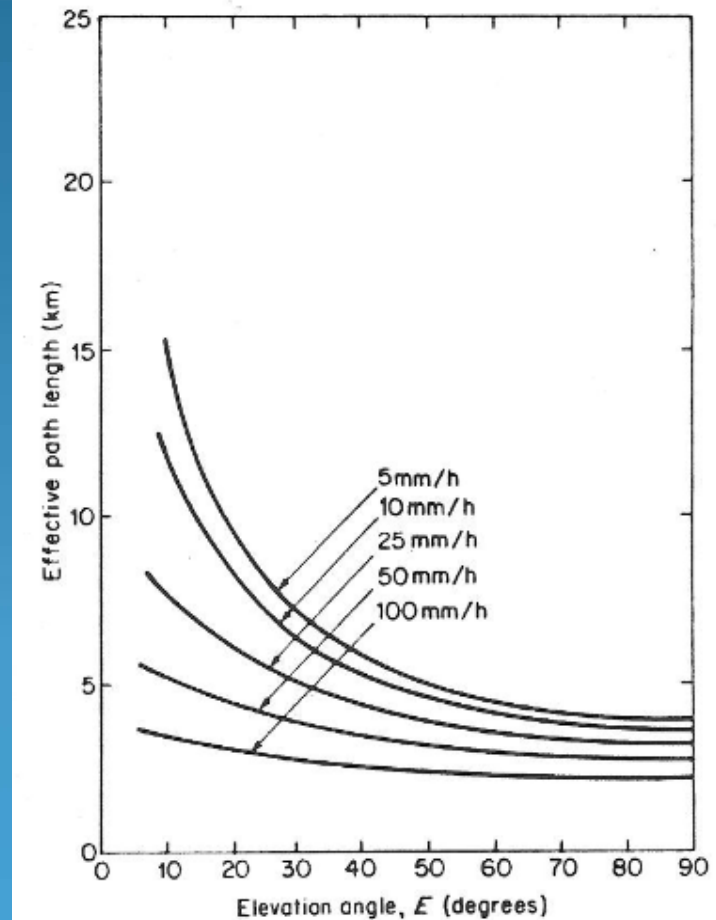
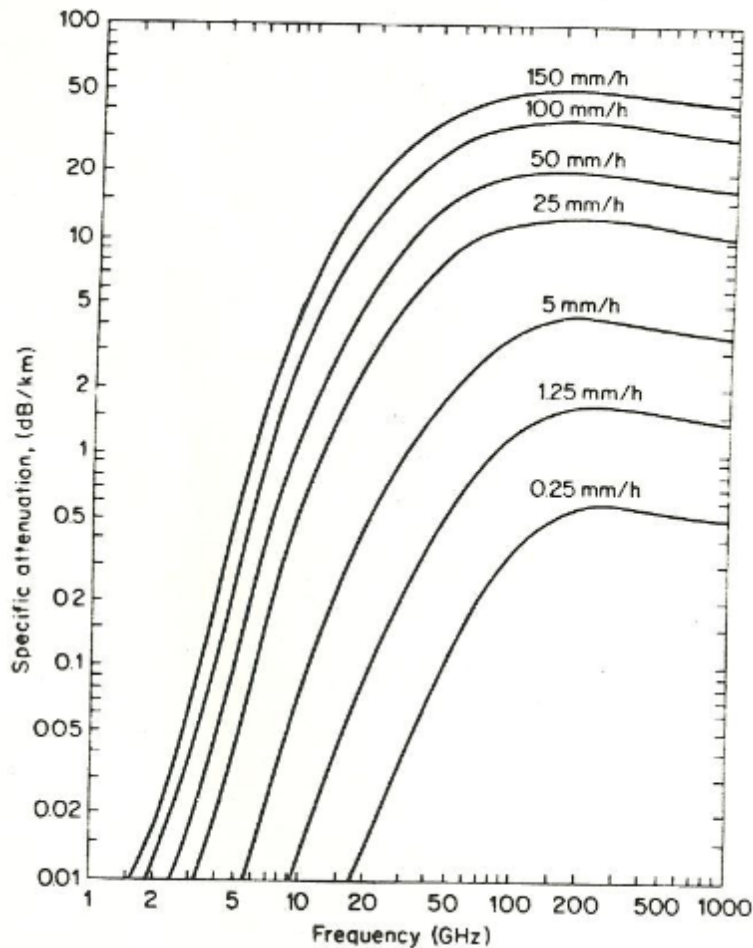


Network planning (noise temperature - atmosphere)



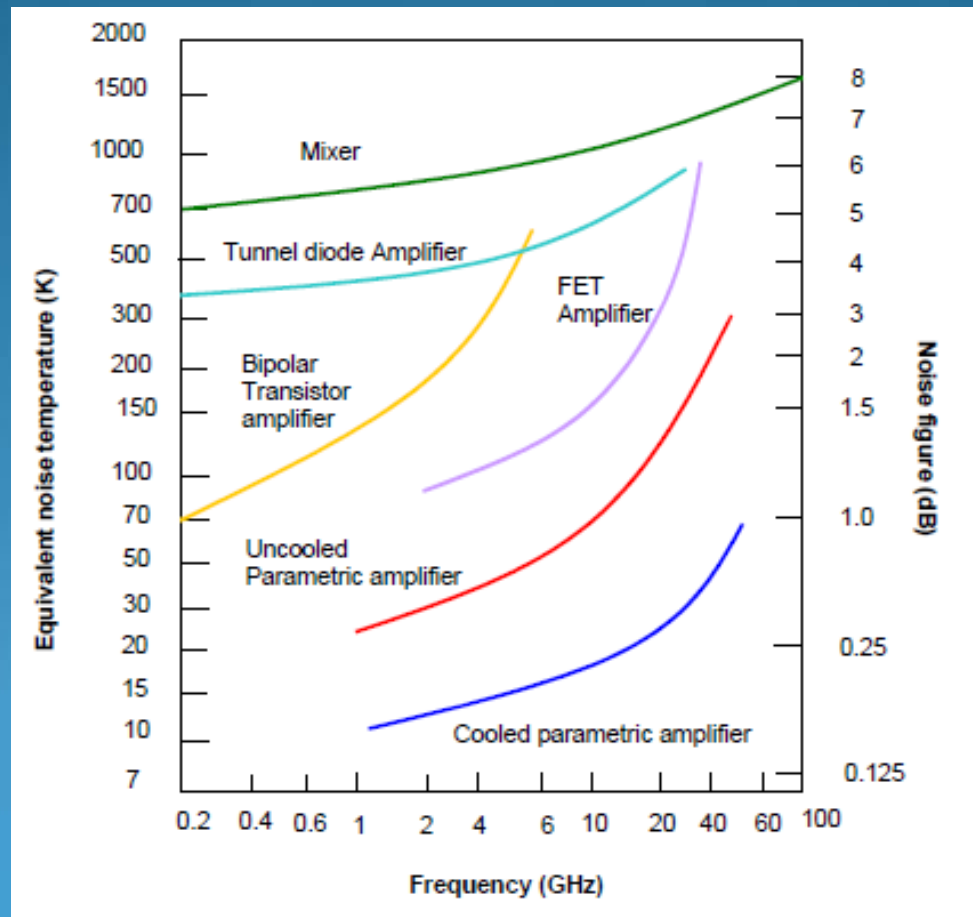
Network planning

(noise temperature - rain att)



Network planning

(noise temperature - Ina technology)



Network planning (noise temperature 3)

- In addition the receiver also contributes significantly to global noise, since while amplifying the original signals, it also amplifies the environmental noise and the interference from other equipments
- More common than noise temperature is the use of **noise figure**, related with noise temperature by the expression $N_F = 1 + T_R / T_0$, with values from 0,2 dB up to 5 dB depending on the earth station process of cooling the low noise amplifiers.
- To evaluate the receiver noise temperature, simulate the substitution of LNA, mixer and IF amplifier by noiseless equipments (ideal) and calculate T_s as follow

Network planning (noise temperature 4)

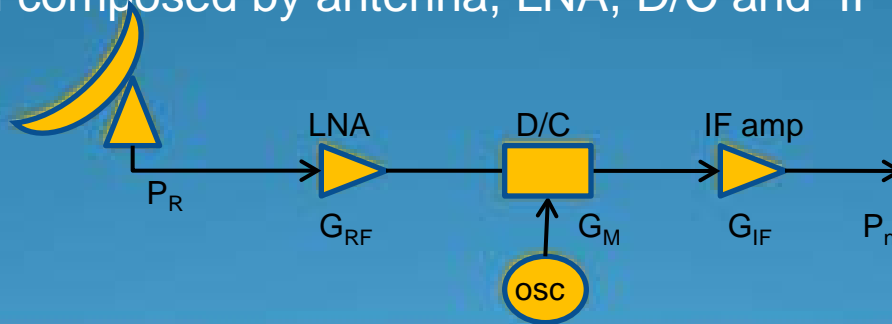
$$P_n = KT_n B$$

K = Constante Boltzman = $1,38 \times 10^{-23}$ J/K
-228, 6 dBW/K/Hz

T_n = source noise temperature °K

B = bandwidth

In a system composed by antenna, LNA, D/C and IF amplifier, e.g.



$$P_n = G_{IF} K T_{IF} B + G_{IF} G_M K T_M B + G_{IF} G_M G_{RF} K B (T_{RF} + T_{IN})$$

$$T_s = \left[T_{RF} + T_{IN} + \frac{T_M}{G_{RF}} + \frac{T_{IF}}{G_M G_{RF}} \right]$$

Network planning (input parameters G / T)

To calculate the link performance need C / N. So

$$C / N = \frac{P_t G_t G_r}{K T_s B} \left[\frac{\lambda}{4 \pi R} \right]^2 \quad \text{In other way}$$

$$C / N = \frac{P_t G_t}{K B} \left[\frac{\lambda}{4 \pi R} \right]^2 \frac{G_r}{T_s}$$

Where we verify C / N as a function of G_r / T_s , (also known figure of merit) used to specify one receiving system. Shall be noted once increasing the G / T it is increased the global C / N

Network planning

(input parameters - G / T)

And accordingly to the Uplink , Dnlink and total

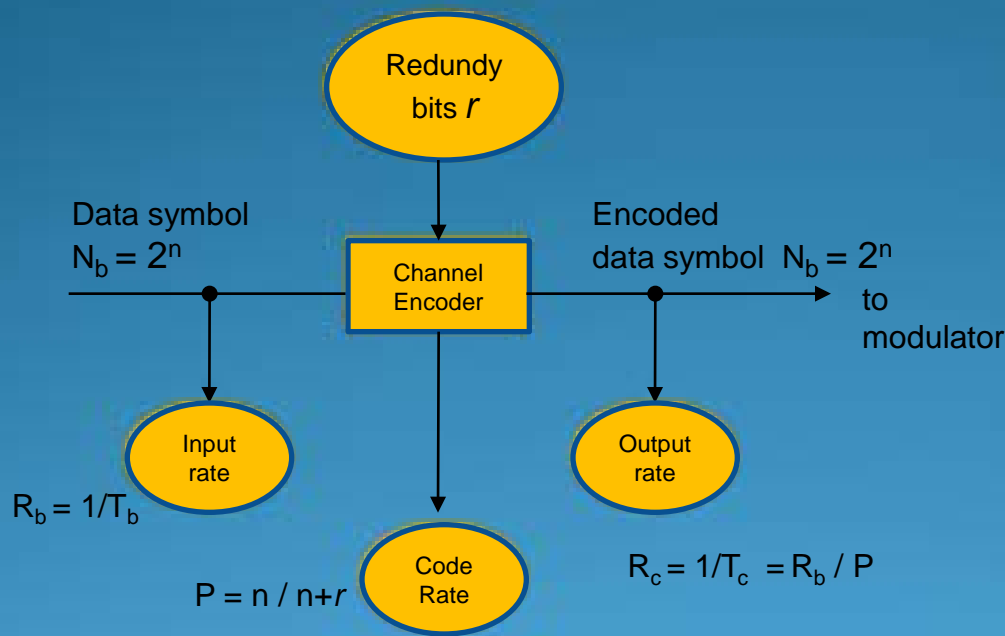
$$\left. \frac{C}{N} \right|_{\text{UPdB}} = \text{EIRP}_{\text{TX}} - L_{\text{UP}} + (G/T)_{\text{SAT}} - K - BW$$

$$\left. \frac{C}{N} \right|_{\text{DNdB}} = \text{EIRP}_{\text{SAT}} - L_{\text{DN}} + (G/T)_{\text{RX}} - K - BW$$

$$\left. \left(\frac{C}{N} \right)^{-1} \right|_{\text{TdB}} = \left. \left(\frac{C}{N} \right)^{-1} \right|_{\text{UPdB}} + \left. \left(\frac{C}{N} \right)^{-1} \right|_{\text{DNdB}} + \left. \left(\frac{C}{I} \right)^{-1} \right|_{\text{IMdB}} + \left. \left(\frac{C}{I} \right)^{-1} \right|_{\text{ADJdB}} + \left. \left(\frac{C}{I} \right)^{-1} \right|_{\text{XPdB}}$$

Network planning

(input parameters - E_B / N_0 vs C / N)



If we agree E_b , the energy per bit information, the energy of carrier will be:

$$E_b R_b = C$$

e

$$E_b / N = (C / N)_T \times (1 / R_b)$$

Or to noise spectral density N_0 and once $N = B_{IF} N_0$

$$E_b / N_0 = (C / N)_T + B_{IF} - R_b$$

dB

Network planning (performance margins 1)

The most important factors that influence the up and downlink are:

- Atmosphere propagation (rain etc) directly through C/N.
- Up and downlink frequencies, noting that for the frequencies above 8 GHz, the attenuation increases quickly
- The reception carrier level depending on the satellite and the receive antenna gain
- Pattern radiation and footprint of satellite antenna, namely its edge margin, the pattern advantage, the EIRP, G/T e power flux density

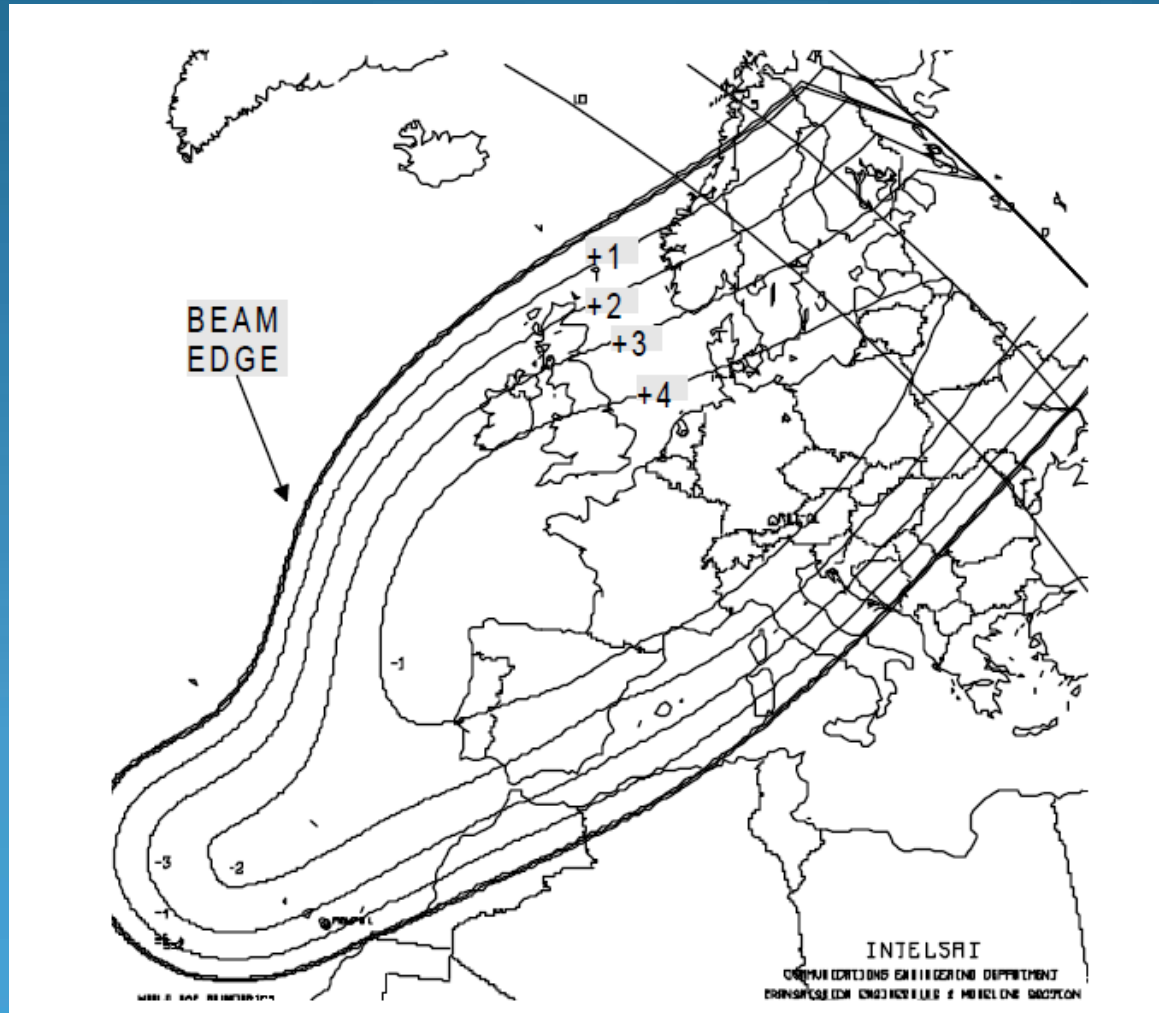


Networking planning (performance margins 2)

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- The noise generated in the receiving system, depending on the system temperature (noise receiver, waveguide loss and components) and bandwidth used. Particular attention to the sun noise during the equinox of the year, during Spring and Autumn.
- Modulation used and receiver threshold
- Intersystem interference whatever would be the terrestrial links or other earth stations

Network planning (pattern radiation - advantage)



Network planning

(link parameters - impact on quality)

EIRP

Uplink pattern advantage

Transponder gain step

Downlink pattern advantage

Receive antenna gain

Free space loss

Waveguide loss

Atmospheric loss

Rain attenuation

Tracking errors

E/S intermodulation

Uplink thermal noise

Downlink thermal noise

Transponder intermodulation

Co-channel interference

$EIRP_{UP}$

β_{UP}

β_{DN}

G_{TX}

L_{UP}, L_{DN}

L_{WG}

C/T_{HPAIM}

C/T_{UP}

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C/T_{IMSAT}

C/T_{CCI}

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+

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C / N

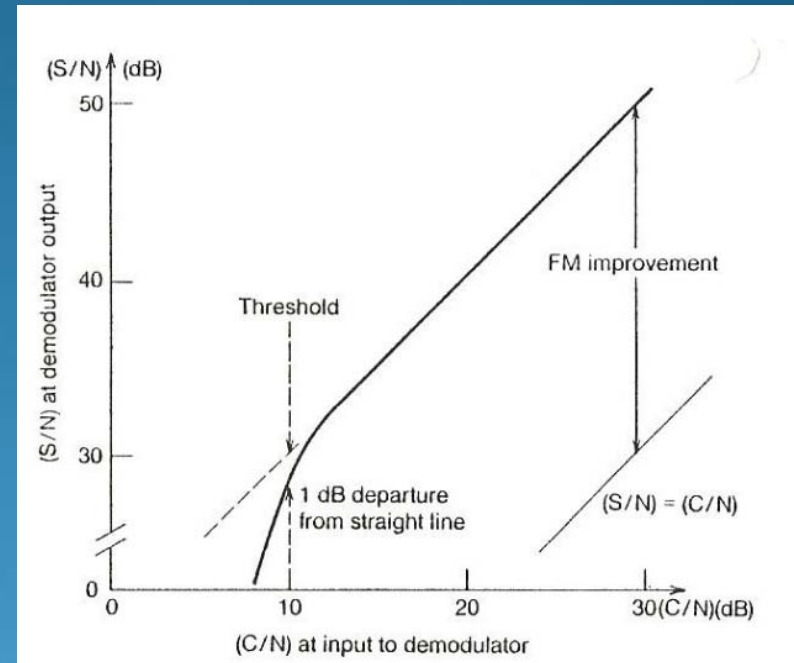
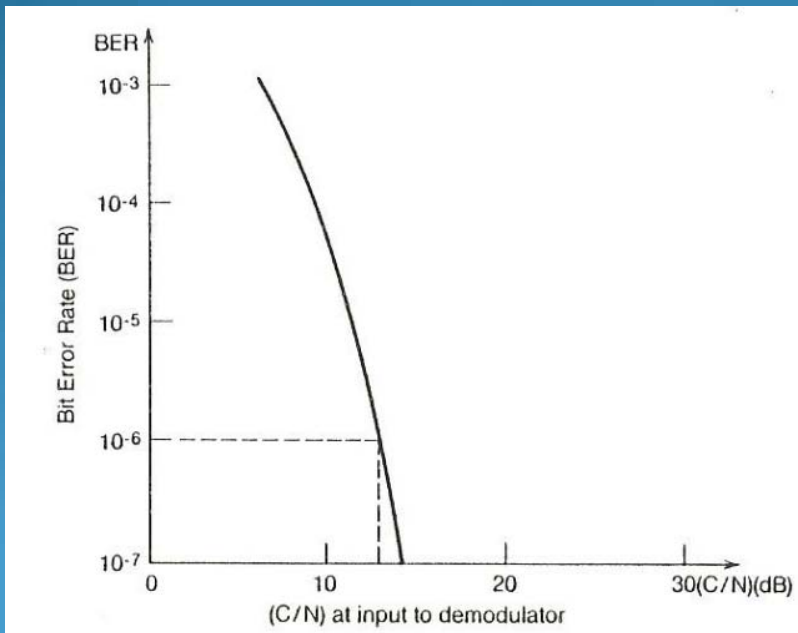
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Network planning

(C / N specification 1)

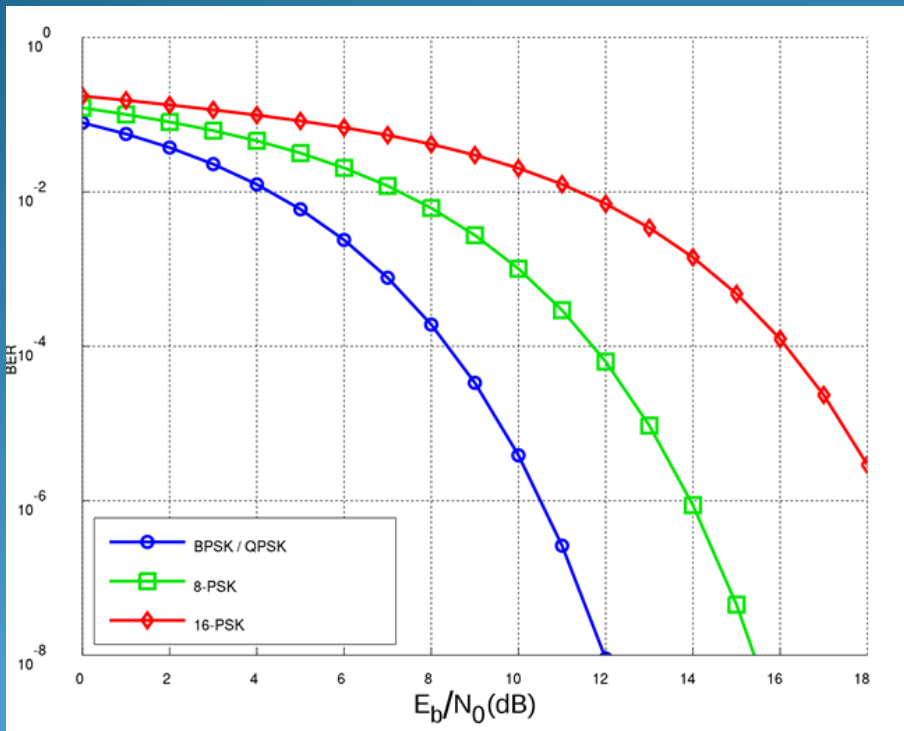
For digital carriers where the modulation is PSK, the BER calculation, being specific to the system is still valid the *C/N Threshold with values between 10^{-3} e os 10^{-8}*



Either for analog systems or digital there are one ratio for the Input – output demodulator Like S/N respectively BER and C/N

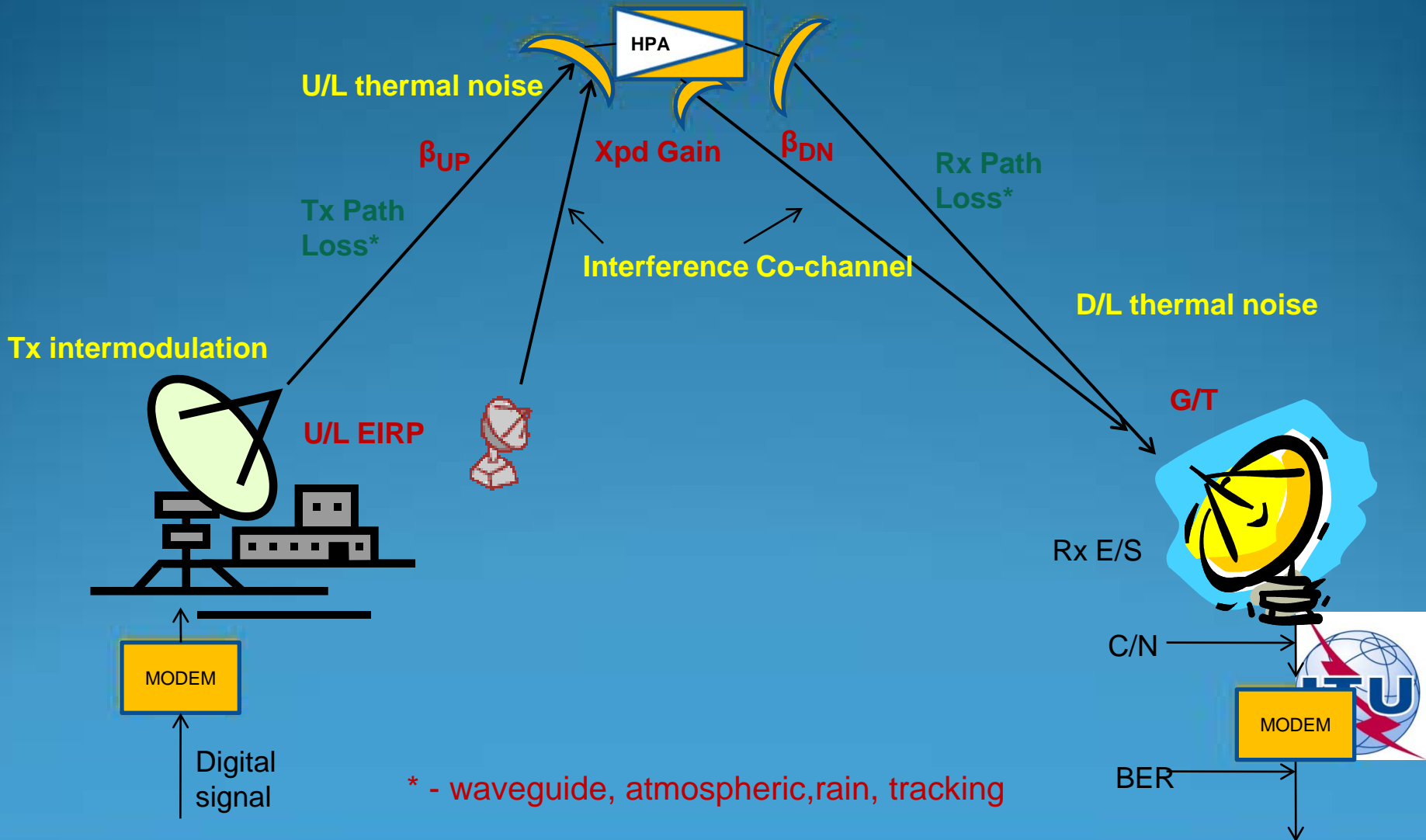
Network planning (C / N specification 2)

Once the performance objectives have been defined, S/N or BER or C/N, can be specified to a % of time for instance 0,01 of the year or 0,03 of the month. In K_U systems which are more rain sensitive either the margin (8 dB vs 2 dB) or the availability (0,1 % vs 1%) must be considered. Also the modulation interferes in the performance, as can be seen



Network planning (link design)

Transponder intermodulation



Network planning

(link design - noise components)

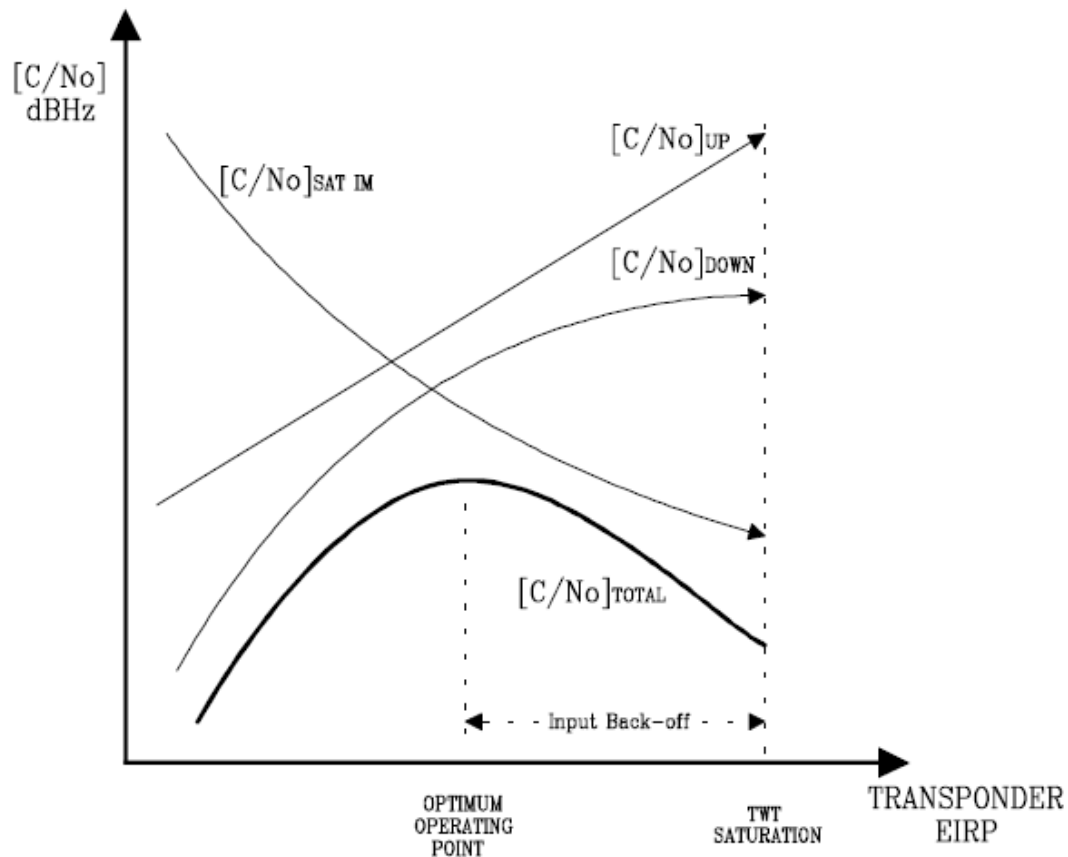
1. Uplink Thermal Noise - inherent to the receiving noise system prone to rain and tracking errors
2. E/S HPA Intermodulation products - inherent to HPA system with several carriers
3. Co - Channel Interference - inherent to the existence of several carriers on the same satellite, although different beams (frequency reuse) are physically or electrically (polarization) separated
4. Transponder Intermodulation - specified as a limit of EIRP density transmitted by the transponder, in a 4Khz band on the radiation pattern.

Network planning

(link design - noise components)

5. Downlink Thermal Noise - inherent to the receive system noise. Similarly to the uplink we must consider the rain margin and tracking errors
6. Total Link Carrier System Noise - although in a connection it is mandatory that the uplink be kept strictly at its nominal value, and a low EIRP means low C/N, it is very well known that a higher EIRP doesn't necessarily means better C/N_0

Network planning (C / N_0 vs EIRP)



Network planning (link design assumptions)

- $(C/N_0)_{UP}$ is much bigger than $(C/N_0)_{DN}$, e.g. about ten's of times. Although C_U is hundred's of times bigger than C_D , the $(C/N_0)_T$ is simply represented by $(C/N_0)_D$, meaning that downlink determines link quality.
- The reception antenna gain is not so much limited in unlike the satellite one.

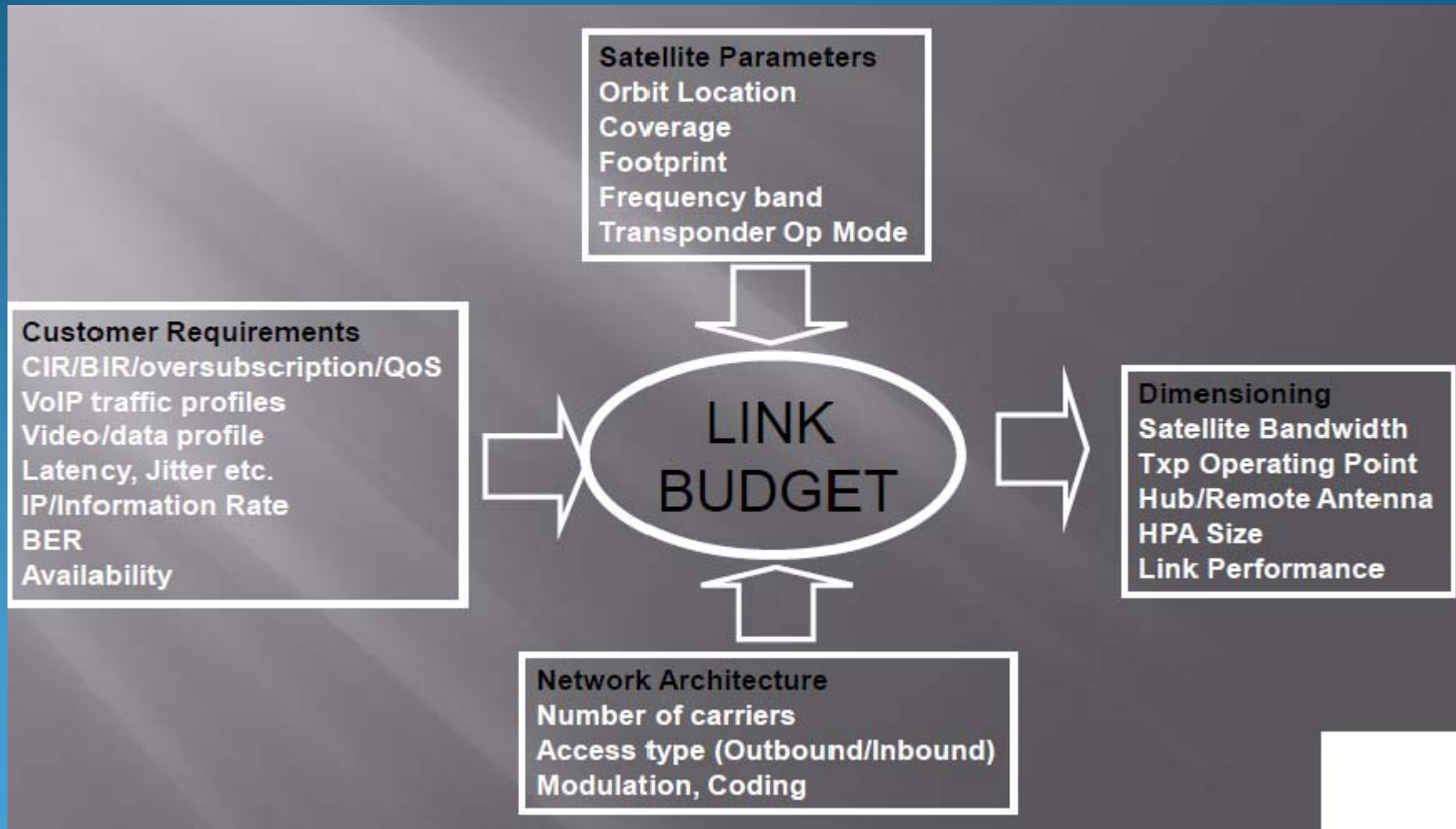
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Network planning (link design assumptions)

- Downlink is designed with the following objectives:
 - To guarantee continuity in % of time (typically 99,9%) with an established S/N (or BER), which imposes a minimum C/N at the receiver input. This is achieved with appropriate modulation and processing systems, to reach a minimum, S/N at the output receiver
 - To carry the large number of telephonic (or TV) channels at minimum capital expenditure and operational costs, one has to assume commitment between the antenna cost, the system tracking, the type of earth station management (on site or remote operation) and the multiple access scheme



Network planning (link design assumptions)



Network planning

(link design parameters 1)

- Basic Link
- BER and FEC
- Modulation type
- G/T
- Attenuation margins
- Transponder selection
- Pattern advantage
- Interference
- Downlink power

Network planning (link design parameters 2)

- Uplink pattern advantage
- Satellite uplink power
- Uplink losses
- EIRP
- Hardware losses
- HPA
- Intelsat LST calculations
- Other tools sw

Network planning (link budget TV signal)

C band sat. Parameters

Transponder sat. Output power	20,0 W
Antenna Gain on axis	20,0 dB
Transponder bw	36 MHz
Down link frequency	3,7-4,2 GHz

Signal FM TV analog sinal

FM TV signal bw	30.0 dB
Mimimum C/N overall receiver	9,5 dB

Receiving C band station

Downlink freq	4 GHz
Antenna gain on axis 4GHz	49,7 dB
Receiver IF bw	27 MHz
Receiver Sistem noise temperature	75 °K

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Network planning (link budget TV signal)

Downlink power budget

P_T = Satellite transponder power output	13,0 dBW
B_0 = Transponder output backoff	-2,0 dB
G_T = Satellite antenna gain on axis	20,0 dB
G_R = Earth station antenna gain	49,7 dB
L_P = Free space loss 4GHz	-196,5 dB
L_{ANT} = Edge of beam loss for satellite antenna	-3,0 dB
L_A = Clear air atmosphere loss	-0,2 dB
L_M = Other losses	-0,5 dB
P_R = received power at earth station	-119,5 dB

Downlink noise power budget in clear air

K = constante boltzman	-228,6 dBw/K/Hz
T_S = System noise tem 75°K	-18,8 dBK
B_N = Noise bw 27 MHz	-74,3 dBz
N = receiver noise power	-135,5 dBW

C / N ratio in clear air

$$C / N = P_R - N = -119,5 \text{ dB} - (-135,5 \text{ dBW}) = 16,0 \text{ dB}$$

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Network planning (link budget TV signal)

Downlink power budget in rain

P_{RCA}	= Received power in clear air	-119,5 dBW
A	= Rain att	-1,0 dB
P_{RAIN}	= Received power in rain	-120,5 dBW
N_{CA}	= Receiver noise in clear air	-135,5 dBW
ΔN_{RAIN}	= Increase in noise tem. Due to rain	2,3 dB
N_{RAIN}	= Receiver noise power in rain -3,0 dB	-133.2 dBW

C / N ratio in clear air

$$C / N = P_{RAIN} - N_{RAIN} = -120,5 \text{ dB} - (-133,2 \text{ dBW}) = 12,7 \text{ dB}$$

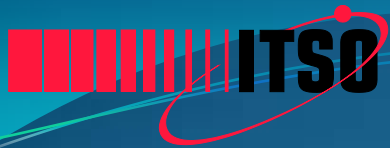
Networking planning (link budget DBS)

DBS Satellite

Coverage area $3^\circ \times 2^\circ$ geo orbit (2000Kmx1400Km)	
12,2 GHz freq.	
Transmitter Output power per channel	200,0 W
Transmit antenna Gain on axis	37,0 dB
Satellite EIRP / channel	60,0 dBW
Path length to receive afatio	38000,0 Km
Flux density in coverage center	-102,5 dBW/ m2
Clear air atmospheric loss	0,5 dB
Actual flux density	-103,0 dBW/ m2

Receiving station

Antenna diameter	0,7 m
Efficiency	60,0 %
Effective area of receiveing apperture (Ae)	0,24 m2
Theoretical received power (FAe)	-109,2 dBW



Network planning (link budget DBS)

Theoretical received power (FAe)

-109,2 dBW

Losses

Station at edge coverage zone

- 3,0 dB

Polarization loss in receive antenna

- 0,5 dB

Pointing error in receive antenna

- 1,0 dB

Losses in receiver before LN

- 1,0 dB

Actual received power (C)

-114,7 dBW

Noise power budget

Boltzman Constante

-228,6 dBW / K / Hz

Receiving system noise temperature (700 K)

28,5 dBK

Channel bw IF (27 MHz)

74,8 dB Hz

Noise Power (N)

-125,8 dBW

Worst case design (C/N)

11,1 dB

Margin over 9 dB (C/N) threshold

2,1 dB



Network planning

(link design power level plan 1)

- The link analysis equations are fundamentals to determine the systems performance, and also enable the equipments auditing for instance antenna acceptance tests, equipments requirements, network design and costs evaluation
- Let us calculate the power level plan for equipments chain alignment of a E/S such as:
 - Antenna Standard A, $G/T = 35,5 \text{ dB}^0\text{K}$
 - Reception IDR carrier(Intermediate Data Rate) with
 - Information rate 2048 Kbps
 - FEC $\frac{3}{4}$
 - Overhead 96 Kbps
 - $C/T = 155 \text{ dBW}/^0\text{K}$ to BER 10-10 (Intelsat VII)

Network planning

(link design power level plan 2)

- Assume $G / T_{\text{dB/}^\circ\text{K}} = C / T - \text{EIRP} - L_0$
- $\text{EIRP} = C / T - G / T_{\text{dB/}^\circ\text{K}} + L_0$
- The antenna received power will be $(\text{EIRP} - L_0)$, so
- $-155 \text{ dB/}^\circ\text{K} - 35,5 \text{ dB/}^\circ\text{K} = -190,5 \text{ dBW}$ (ou $-160,5 \text{ dBm}$)
- Assuming the following characteristics for the equipment:
- LNA (gain) 60 dB
- Downconverter
 - Gain 25 a 45 dB
 - Gain adjustement 20 dB
- Demodulator
 - Input level -30 a -55 dBm
(proper operational point) -40 dBm

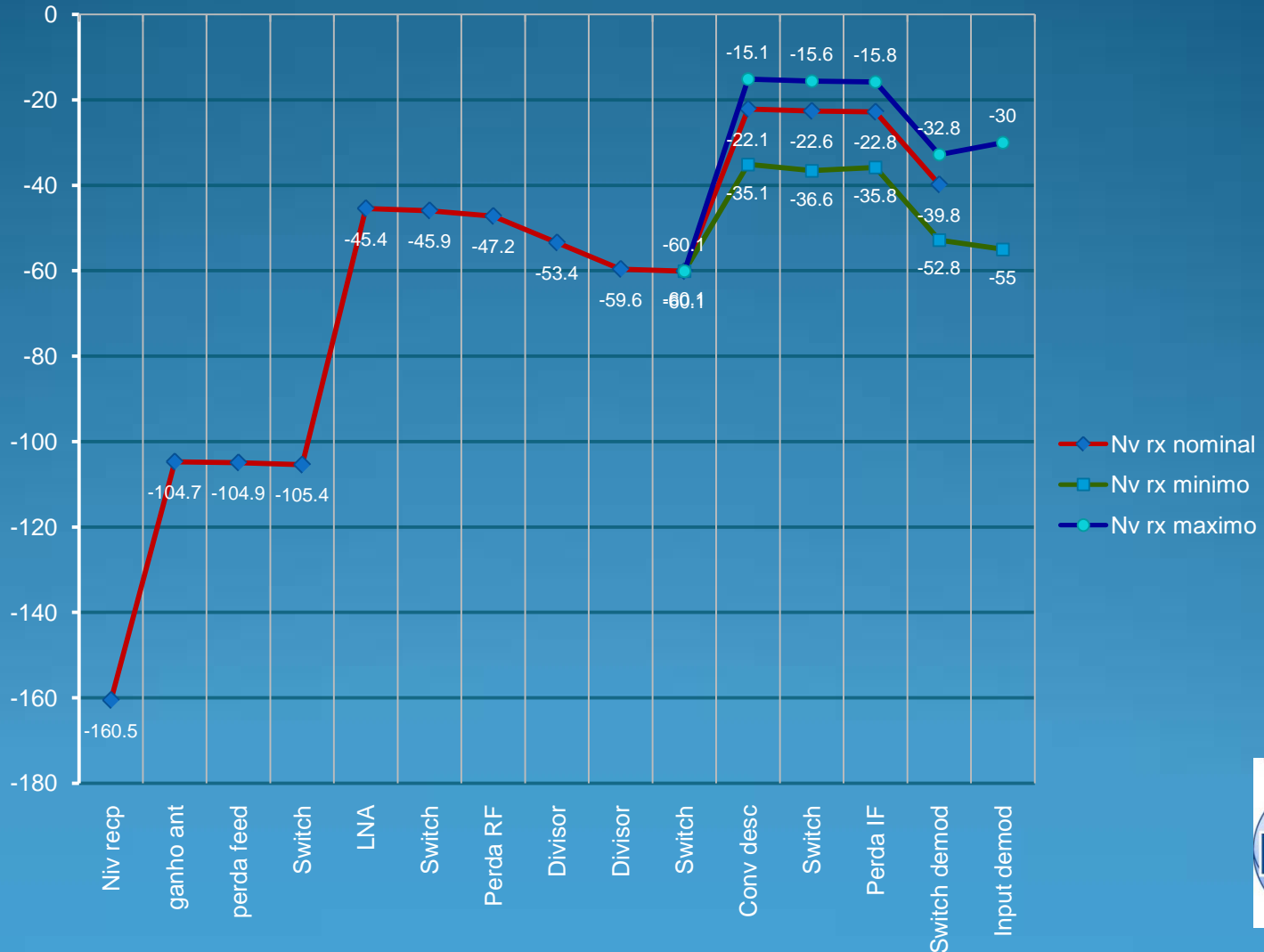
Network planning

(link design power level plan 3)

Nº	Equipament	Gain (dB)	Out level (dBm)	Final G	Out level set (dBm)
1	Received level		-160,5		
2	Antenna gain	55,8	-104,7		
3	Free loss	-0,2	-104,9		
4	Switching	-0,5	-105,4		
5	LNA	60	-45,4		
6	Switching	-0,5	-45,9		
7	RF link	-1,3	-47,2		
8	Divider	-6,2	-53,4		
9	Divider	-6,2	-59,6		
10	Switching	-0,5	-60,1		
11	Downconverter	25 a 45	-35,1 a -15,1	38	-22,1
12	Switching	-0,5	-36,6 a -15,6	-0,5	-22,6
13	IF link	-0,2	-35,8 a 15,8	-0,2	-22,8
14	Demod switch	-17	-52,8 a -32,8	-17	-39,8
15	Demod input	-30 a -55			-39,8

Network planning

(link design power level plan 4)



Network planning (home work)

Determine the normalized receive station G/T for a F-2 station (diameter 7,5 m), using the link analysis equations, if the following information is provided:

- Normalized frequency 4 GHz
- Satellite EIRP 31 dBW
- Downlink aspect correction 1,85 dB
- C/N0 measured at receiver 88,4 dBHz
- Downlink slant range 40 586,98 Km
- Atmospheric 0,15 dB
- Operating frequency 4,037 GHz

Solution $G/T = 27,3 \text{ dB/}^\circ\text{K}$ a 4 GHz