University of Alabama in Huntsville Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

EE 642 Digital Communications

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Textbook: B. Sklar, Digital Communications: Fundamentals and Applications, Prentice Hall: Englewood Cliffs, NJ, 1988.

Course Outline: The following topics will be covered in class:

- Characterization of Communications Signals and Systems
 - Baseband Signals and Systems
 - Signal Space Representation
 - Representation of Digitally Modulated Signals
- Optimum Receivers for the Additive White Gaussian Noise Channel
 - Digital Modulation Techniques, PSK, FSK, QAM, ...
 - Coherent Detection
 - Noncoherent Detection
 - Probability of Error Calculations
 - M-ary Signaling and Error Performance
- Channel Capacity and Coding
 - Channel Models and Channel Capacity
 - Error Control Coding Linear Block Codes, Cyclic Codes, Convolutional Codes

Prerequisite: Strong background in Probability and Stochastic Processes (EE 420/500 or equivalent), and prior exposure to basic Communication Theory (EE 506 or equivalent).

Grading:

Homework	k 15%	
Exam 1	25%	October 9
Exam 2	25%	November 22
Final	35%	

Notes:

- 1. Best way to reach me is via email.
- 2. Please observe the posted office hours. If they are not convenient, please make an appointment to see me.
- 3. No late homeworks will be accepted.
- 4. The final will be a comprehensive, take home exam.