RF Integrated Circuits - Video course

COURSE OUTLINE

This course will develop electronic circuits for radio frequency applications, specific to CMOS integrated circuits. As the course title suggests, the course will be specific to CMOS integrated circuits, and specific to radio frequencies.

In particular, the course will focus on circuits for radio frontends for mobile phone handsets. The course will cover low noise amplifiers, mixers, power amplifiers, frequency synthesizers (and phase locked loops). The course will also cover several modern radio architectures.

COURSE DETAIL

Modules	Lectures
Module 1: Introduction	 Lecture 1: RF systems – basic architectures Lecture 2: Transmission media and reflections Lecture 3: Maximum power transfer
Module 2: Passive RLC Networks	 Lecture 4: Parallel RLC tank, Q Lecture 5: Series RLC networks, matching Lecture 6: Pi match, T match
Module 3: Passive IC Components	 Lecture 7: Interconnects and skin effect Lecture 8: Resistors, capacitors Lecture 9: Inductors
Module 4: Review of MOS Device Physics	Lecture 10: MOS device review



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Pre-requisites:

Analog integrated circuits.

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Module 5: Distributed Systems	 Lecture 11: Transmission lines, reflection coefficient Lecture 12: The wave equation, examples Lecture 13: Lossy transmission lines Lecture 14: Smith charts – plotting gamma 	
Module 6: High Frequency Amplifier Design	 Lecture 15: Bandwidth estimation using open-circuit time constants Lecture 16: Bandwidth estimation using short-circuit time constants Lecture 17: Risetime, delay and bandwidth Lecture 18: Zeros to enhance bandwidth Lecture 19: Shunt-series amplifiers, tuned amplifiers Lecture 20: Cascaded amplifiers 	
Module 7: Noise	 Lecture 21: Thermal noise, flicker noise review Lecture 22: Noise figure 	
Module 8: LNA Design	 Lecture 23: Intrinsic MOS noise parametes Lecture 24: Power match versus noise match Lecture 25: Large signal performance, design examples & Multiplier based mixers 	
Module 9: Mixer Design	Lecture 26: Subsampling mixers	
Module 10: RF Power Amplifiers	 Lecture 27: Class A, AB, B, C amplifiers Lecture 28: Class D, E, F amplifiers Lecture 29: RF Power amplifier design examples 	
Module 11: Voltage controlled oscillators	 Lecture 30: Resonators Lecture 31: Negative resistance oscillators 	

Module 12: Phase locked loops	 Lecture 32: Linearized PLL models Lecture 33: Phase detectors, charge pumps Lecture 34: Loop filters, PLL design examples
Module 13: Frequency synthesis and oscillators	 Lecture 35: Frequency division, integer-N synthesis Lecture 36: Fractional frequency synthesis
Module 14: Phase noise	 Lecture 37: General considerations Lecture 38: Circuit examples
Module 15: Radio architectures	 Lecture 39: GSM radio architectures Lecture 40: CDMA, UMTS radio architectures

References:

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- 2. RF Microelectronics by Behzad Razavi. Prentice Hall, 1997.

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