

**NEW YORK CITY COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY**  
**The City University of New York**

**DEPARTMENT:** Electrical and Telecommunications Engineering  
Technology

**SUBJECT CODE AND TITLE:** TCET 2220/TC 410 Transmission Systems

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

Introduction to the analysis of microwave communications and systems. Transmission line theory, the Smith chart, and mathematical analysis are incorporated. Various transmission media, such as two-wire, twisted telephone wires, coaxial cable, waveguides, fiber, and satellite are studied. Study of microwave components, Tee connectors, attenuators, slotted lines, and cavities are included. Antenna design and radio-wave propagation are also covered (introduced). Concludes with a study of microwave applications and systems.

**PREREQUISITE:** EET 2140/ET 313,  
**PRE-or COREQUISITE** MAT1475/MA 475

**TEXTBOOK:** Lines and Fields in Electronic Technology  
By Stanley & Harrington, 1995

**COURSE OBJECTIVES/  
COURSE OUTCOMES:**

Upon the completion of this course, students shall be able to:

1. Explain the types of transmission systems used in telecommunications.  
(2a).
2. Analyze a given transmission line (2a, 2c).
3. Analyze the behavior of a transmission lines by using the Smith Chart.  
(2a, 2b, 2f).
4. Explain the characteristics of optical fiber communications and satellite communications (2a, 2f).

**TOPICS:**

Topics include transmission lines properties, lossless and lossy transmission lines, fiber optics, satellite communications, microwave, coaxial cable, and wirelines, analysis of transmission lines using Smith Chart, and microwave components, Tee connectors, attenuators, slotted lines, and cavities.

**CLASS HOURS:** 3

**CREDITS:** 3

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**GRADING POLICY:** TCET 2220/TC 410

Homework and class participation	10%
Exams:	60%
Project	30%

<u>Letter Grade</u>	<u>Numerical Grade Ranges</u>	<u>Quality</u>
A	93-100	4.0
A-	90-92.9	3.7
B+	87-89.9	3.3
B	83-86.9	3.0
B-	80-82.9	2.7
C+	77-79.9	2.3
C	70-76.9	2.0
D	60-69.9	1.0
F	59.9 and below	0.0

### Assessment

The following assessment techniques are correlated to the course objectives as follows: In addition, each assessment technique incorporates one or more of the following ABET Criterion 2 outcomes (2a, 2b, 2c, 2d, 2f, 2k).

### Course Objectives

**For the successful completion of this course, the students should be able to:**

1. Explain the types of transmission systems used in telecommunications.
2. Analyze a given transmission line in terms of reflections from the source and the load, initial and steady-state values of voltages and currents on line, Bounce diagram demonstrating multiple reflections, in case of unmatched line, and the resulting voltage and current at the source and the load for a dc and pulse input signal.
3. Analyze the behavior of a transmission lines by using the Smith Chart and show the impedance, admittance, reflection coefficients, and VSWR for half wavelength, quarter wavelength and general cases of transmission line, using the Smith Chart.
4. Explain the characteristics of optical fiber communications and satellite communications as two of the transmission systems used in telecommunication infrastructures, world wide.

### Assessment

#### **Evaluation Methods and Criteria:**

Students are given an in class exercise a task of designing a telecommunication infrastructure for a given geographical area and are asked to specify which system would be best suitable for different part of this region and the reasons why.

Students are given in class and homework problems in which they need to go through the analysis of a transmission line with reflections at the source and the load and asked to draw the corresponding Bounce diagram and voltage and current at the source and the load for different types of input signals.

Students are give the Smith Chart and are asked to show the impedance, admittance, reflection coefficient and the VSWR for different types of transmission lines as an in class exercise and homework problems.

Students are asked to specify under what circumstances they would use optical fiber and satellite communications when designing a telecom system.

<b>Week</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Reading Assignments</b>	<b>Homework Problems</b>
<b>1&amp;2</b>	Transmission line properties, wavelength and frequency relationship, propagation delay, velocity of propagation, lossless lines, characteristics impedance, permittivity and permeability.	Chapter 1	1-1, 1-5, 1-17, 1-21, 1-23, 1-26
<b>3&amp;4</b>	Transients on a lossless line, load and source reflection coefficients, voltage and current Bounce diagrams for dc and pulse inputs.	Chapter to	2-2, 2-5, 2-7, 2-8
<b>5&amp;6</b>	Steady-State ac transmission lines, propagation constant, attenuation constant, phase constant, velocity of propagation, characteristic impedance, decibels and nepers	Chapter 3	3-1, 3-2, 3-17, 3-20, 3-24, 3-25
<b>7</b>	Radio frequency lossless lines, calculations of reflection coefficients and VSWR, input impedance calculations, load power calculations, short circuited and open circuited lossless lines.	Chapter 4	4-1, 4-8, 4-15, 4-22
<b>8</b>	Review and Midterm Exam.	-----	-----
<b>9</b>	Smith Chart applications, plotting impedance and admittance, rotation on the Smith Chart, determining input impedance from load impedance and vice versa, voltage and current maximum and minimum.	Chapter 5	5-1, 5-3, 5-7
<b>10</b>	Propagation of electromagnetic waves, reflection and refraction, isotropic transmitting and receiving antennas, receiver sensitivity, ground wave propagation, sky wave propagation.	Chapter 10	10-1, 10-4, 10-17, 10-19
<b>11</b>	Fiber Optics technology, optical spectrum, fiber optic transmission lines, dispersion in fiber optics, LED, optical receiving & transmitting devices.	Chapter 11	11-1, 11-5, 11-13
<b>12&amp;13</b>	Satellite Communications, frequency allocations, types of services and coverage, earth station, space segment and the link analysis.	Chapter 12	12-1, 12-7, 12-10
<b>14</b>	Students' presentation of their research works.	-----	-----
<b>15</b>	Review and Final Exam	-----	-----