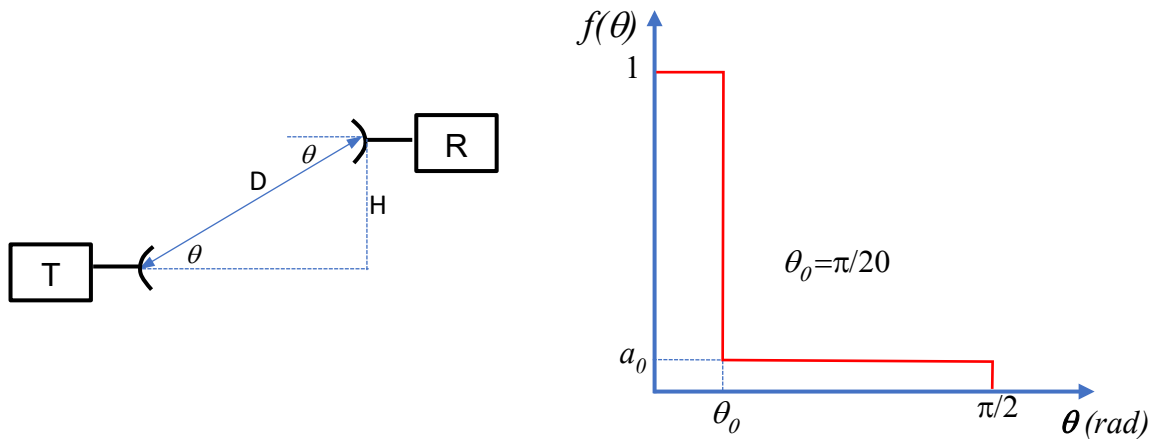


RF SYSTEMS
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Exercise 1

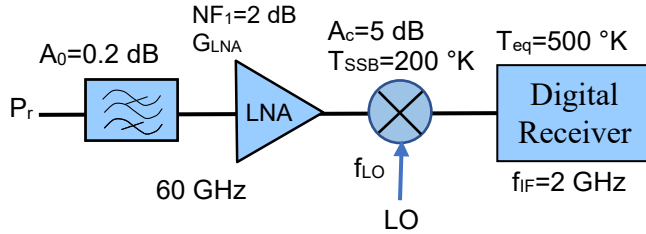


The communication system in the above figure is composed by the transmitter T ($P_T=1$ W, $f_0=60$ GHz) and the receiver R located at distance D and altitude H from T. The antennas of T and R are directed horizontally and the line connecting the antennas forms the angle θ with respect the horizontal line. The antennas are equal and their directivity function is shown in the above figure (assume $f(\varphi)=\cos\theta$ for $0 < \varphi < 2\pi$)

- 1) Compute the parameter a_0 of the directivity diagram to have the gain G of the antennas equal to 10 dB. Assume the radiation impedance $Z_R=50 \Omega$ e the loss resistance $R_p=5\Omega$.
- 2) Evaluate the received power in R for $D=1\text{Km}$ and $H=150\text{m}$.

Exercise 2

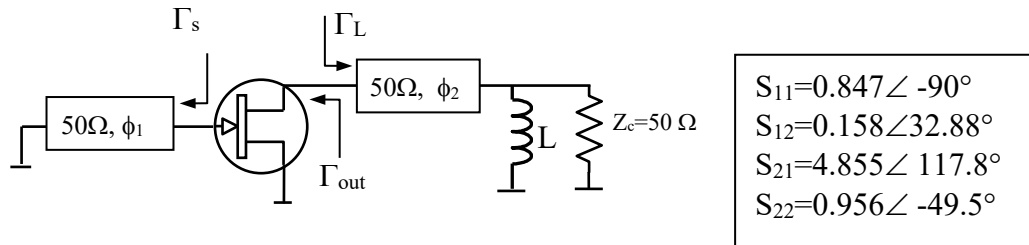
Consider the link in the previous exercise operating at 60 GHz and the received power $P_r = -78$ dBm. The architecture of the receiving station is shown in the following figure:



- 1) Assuming the local oscillator frequency (f_{LO}) smaller than the frequency of the received signal, determine f_{LO} and the image frequency of the receiver.
- 2) It is known that the digital receiver must operate with $(E_b/N_0) = 10$ dB in order to get the data rate $R = 200$ Mbit/sec. Compute the SNR_{sys} of the system for a signal bandwidth $B = 100$ MHz.
- 3) Evaluate the equivalent noise temperature of the system (T_{sys}) imposing SNR_{sys} and P_r (received power). Hint: Boltzmann Constant $K = 1.38 \cdot 10^{-23}$.
- 4) Draw the equivalent scheme of the receiver with the noise temperature sources. Write the expression of T_{sys} as function of the blocks parameters. Imposing the required T_{sys} evaluate the gain G_{LNA} (assume the equivalent noise temperature of the receiving antenna equal to 150 °K)

Exercise 3

The following scheme refers to an oscillator working at 1 GHz. The S parameters of the transistor are also reported on the figure. The input line ($Z_c=50\ \Omega$, electrical length ϕ_1) is short-circuited.



- 1) Evaluate Γ_L and Γ_S so that the starting of the oscillation is guaranteed (Hint: impose $|\Gamma_{out}|=1.4$ and chose for Γ_S the closest point to the short circuit)
- 2) Evaluate the length ϕ_1 determining the required Γ_S .
- 3) Design the output network, i.e. compute ϕ_2 and the inductance L .

SOLUTION

Exercise 1

1) The gain is expressed as follows ($\eta=50/55=0.9091$):

$$G = \frac{4\pi\eta}{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(\theta) \sin(\theta) d\varphi d\theta} = \frac{4\pi \cdot 0.9091}{2\pi \left[(1 - \cos(\theta_0)) + a_0 \cos(\theta_0) \right]} = 10$$

$$a_0 = 0.1716$$

2) From the Friis equation:

$$P_r = P_t + G_T + G_R - L_f + f_{dB} = 50 - 20 \log \left(\frac{4\pi D}{\lambda_0} \right) + f_{dB}$$

Being $\theta = \sin^{-1}(H/D) = 0.1507 < \pi/20 \rightarrow f_{dB} = 0$. Then: $P_r = 50 - 128 = -78$ dBm.

Exercise 2

1) $f_{LO} = f_{RF} - f_{IF} = 58$ GHz, $f_{IM} = f_{LO} - f_{IF} = 56$ GHz.

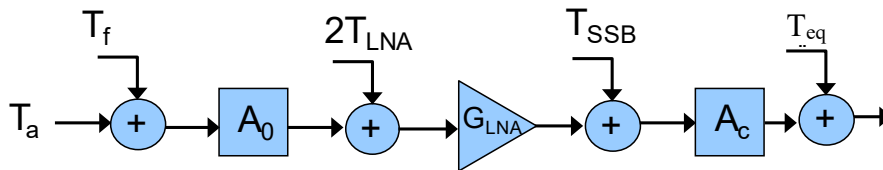
2) The SNR_{sys} is related to Eb/No as follows:

$$SNR_{sys} = \frac{E_b}{N_0} \frac{R}{B} = 10 + 10 \log \left(\frac{200}{100} \right) = 13 \text{ dB}$$

3) It has:

$$SNR_{sys} = \frac{P_r}{KT_{sys} B} = 13 \text{ dB} \Rightarrow T_{sys} = 575.6 \text{ °K}$$

4) Equivalent scheme (the factor 2 in front of T_{LNA} is due to the contribution from the image band):



The expression of T_{sys} results:

$$T_{sys} = T_a + T_f + 2T_{LNA}A_0 + \frac{A_0}{G_{LNA}}(T_{SSB} + T_{eq}A_c) = 575.6$$

We get the following expression for G_{LNA}:

$$G_{LNA} = \frac{A_0(T_{SSB} + T_{eq}A_c)}{T_{sys} - (T_a + T_f + 2T_{LNA}A_0)} = 35.3 \text{ (15.5 dB)}$$

Exercise 3

- Draw the mapping circle of Γ_s ($|\Gamma_{out}|=1.4$). Choose the intersection with the outer circle closest to the c.c.: $\Gamma_s = 1 \angle 173^\circ$.
- Evaluate $Z_{out} = -1.988 - j2.7$. Assign $Z_L = 1.988/3 + j2.7 = 0.663 + j2.7$
- Evaluate $\phi_s = (180 - \angle \Gamma_s)/2 = 3.5^\circ$
- Design the output network (single stub):
Draw the circle $|\Gamma| = \text{const}$ passing for Γ_L . Store Γ_L . Draw the circle $g=1$. Select the intersection where $b < 0$.
- Read the phase variation of Γ ($\Delta\Phi = 110.18^\circ$). Then $\phi_2 = \Delta\Phi/2 = 55.08$.
- Read the susceptance of the current point: $b = -3.316$. $X = -50/b = 15.08 = \omega L \rightarrow L = 2.4 \text{ nH}$.