

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

Digital radio techniques 732 (ESR 732)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Module credits	32.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	ETD 732
Contact time	32 contact hours per semester
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Electrical, Electronic and Computer Engineering
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

Analog vs digital radio techniques, review of baseband and bandpass sampling concepts, overview of DSP-principles, Z-Transform and digital filter design, digital modulation techniques and performance analysis, radio link power analysis and design, generic radio configurations, low noise amplifier and radio front-end design, high-speed A/D and D/A components and design, automatic gain (power) control, direct versus superheterodyne downconversion methods, IF-sampling techniques, digital radio receiver design, analog vs digital (carrier and symbol) synchronisation methods, doppler tracking, analysis and design of diversity techniques, multiple-input/multiple output (multi antenna element) systems, space-time coding, modular embedded system design and rapid prototyping (RF, CMOS and FPGA implementation techniques and technologies), computer-aided design software, tools and techniques.

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