

Lecture 21



PRINCIPLES OF SATELLITE COMMUNICATION

INTRODUCTION



a) Transmission at frequencies in 10^{14}

b) Advantage

- Greater bandwidth
- Smaller beam divergence angles
- Smaller antennas

c) Modes of communication

- Aerial
- Fiber optical communication
- Optical computer

ARIEL



- Ariel :data and images are transferred using low power beams
- Impossible to jam by known means
- Weather dependent
- Clear day – several miles
- Rain ,fog ,mist -- limited to shorter distance

Fiber optical communication & optical computers



- Guided media
- 4 Giga bits of information/sec over a span of 120Km

Optical computers

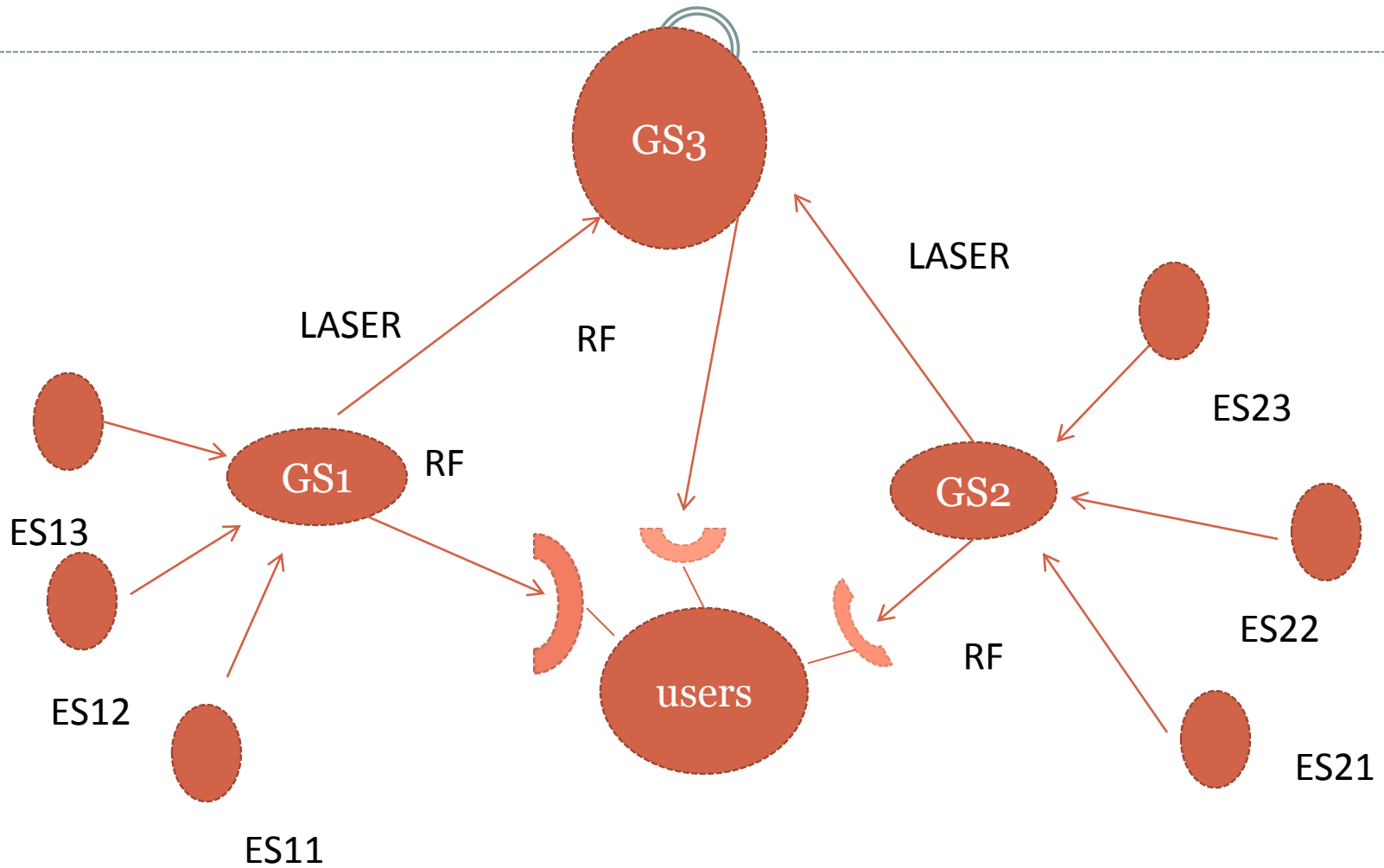
- I. Light is used instead of electrical circuit
- II. Light can be encoded with much more information
- III. Zero resistance to flow, more information than the equivalent sized electric circuit
- IV. Optical signal can be used in parallel

Use



- Communication between the satellite themselves
- Can not be used between earth station and geostationary satellite being atmospheric dependent

LASER SATELLITE COMMUNICATION



GSS = GEAOSTATIONARY SATELLITE

ESS = EARTH OBSERVATION SATELLITE

LINK ANALYSIS

Atmospheric Effects:



- Attenuation due to energy absorption
- Beam spreading due to scattering of light waves
- Beam bending due to refocusing of optical beams
- Beam break up due to loss of coherence

ATMOSPHERIC



- Dependent on wavelength
- Dependent on elevation angle

Complete link design



- Up link and downlink RF is used to satellite
- Two satellite cross link (optical link)
- RF up link wave form

$$s(t) = u(t) + n_u(t)$$

$$u(t) = \textit{uplinkcarrier}$$

$$n_u(t) = \textit{uplinkNoiseandInterference}$$

$$P(t) = P_r (1 + \beta s(t))$$

P_r is average power and β is intensity modulation $\beta \leq 1$

The receiving satellite receives the signal by photo detecting it the photo detector detects the intensity modulated signal as

$$R[\beta P_r s(t)] = R\beta P_r [u(t) + n_u(t)]$$

R = photo detector responsivity

P_r = satellite-downlink power

$$P_s = \alpha_s^2 P_t [(R\beta P_r)^2 P_{cu}]$$

$$P_{ns} = \alpha_n^2 P_t [(R\beta P_r)^2 P_{nu} + P_{PD}] L$$

α is signal and noise suppression P_{ns} = total downlink retransmitted noise power

L is the downlink losses

P_{cu} is the uplink power of $u(t)$

P_{pd} is photo detector noise

P_{nu} additional noise by the down link

$$(C / N)_T = \frac{P_s}{P_{ns} + P_{nd}}$$

$$(C / N)_u = \frac{P_{cu}}{P_{nu}}$$

$$(C / N)_{op} \approx \frac{P_s}{P_{PD}}$$

$$(C / N)_r \approx \frac{LP_t \alpha^2}{P_{nd}}$$

$$\alpha_s^2 = \left[1 + \left(\frac{1}{(C / N)_{op}} \right) \right]^{-1}$$

$$(C / N)_T = \left[(C / N)_u^{-1} + (C / N)_{op}^{-1} + (C / N)_r^{-1} \right]$$

Satellite beam and acquisition, tracking and pointing



- Beam is narrow
- Pointing problem
- Pointing within the pointing error $\pm\theta_c$ radians
- Optical beacon(unmodulated light source)
- Transmitter satellite receives the beacon from the receiving satellite
- Transmits its modulated laser beam back to the receiving satellite
- Angle of drifting of the receiving satellite(point ahead angle)