

**Module Description**

# Signal Processing and Transmission

**General Information**
**Number of ECTS Credits**

3

**Abbreviation**

TSM\_SignProc

**Version**

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**Responsible of module**

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**Language**

	Lausanne	Berne	Zurich
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**Module category**

- Fundamental theoretical principles
- Technical/scientific specialization module
- Context module

**Lessons**

- 2 lecture periods and 1 tutorial period per week
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**Brief course description of module objectives and content**

The aim of this module is to provide insight into state-of-the-art methods of how to make a signal fit for transmission over a cable or over the air. It starts with some information-theoretic aspects, covers modern modulation formats, hardware used, and closes with an excursion into propagation mechanisms.

**Aims, content, methods**
**Learning objectives and acquired competencies**

The students:

- understand the basic descriptions of a communication chain from a signal processing point of view,
- can describe the complete transmission chain, for several state-of-the-art communication systems,
- know the main characteristics, advantages and disadvantages of the presented techniques,
- are aware of the current research directions in advanced transmission technologies.

**Contents of module with emphasis on teaching content**

- Complex base-band representation, CIC filters
- Detection theory
- Adaptive filters (LMS, RLS, Kalman Filter)
- Code-Division Multiple Access (CDMA), Ultrawideband (UWB)
- Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplex (OFDM)
- Trellis-Coded Modulation (TCM)
- Architectures of optimal receivers
- Zero-IF, low-IF, bandpass architecture
- Wave propagation models for wireless communications
- Digital signal transmission over multipath channels
- Smart antenna systems
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**Teaching and learning methods**

Lectures with problem-solving sessions

**Prerequisites, previous knowledge, entrance competencies**

- Basics in probability theory

- Basics of information theory: entropy, basic source coding, linear block codes (e.g., CRC, Hamming)
- Basics in free-space propagation
- Basic modulation techniques: AM/FM, digital modulations
- Knowledge of the Fourier transform (theory and applications)
- Matlab user knowledge

**Literature**

Lecture notes and slides in English

**Assessment****Certification requirements for final examinations (conditions for attestation)**

none

**Written module examination**

Duration of exam: 120 minutes  
Permissible aids: open book