

Radiofrequency Identification Systems (RFID)

Code: 42848
ECTS Credits: 6

Degree	Type	Year	Semester
4313797 Telecommunications Engineering	OT	2	1

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Use of languages

Principal working language: english (eng)

Prerequisites

Plannar Antennas for Wireless Systems and other modules related to RF and Microwave circuits

Objectives and Contextualisation

The main aim of the module is to acquire advanced knowledge related to Radio Frequency Identification systems (RFID) with a special emphasis on the design of high performance RFID Tags. It is also the aim of the module an introduction to commercial electromagnetic simulators for the design of RFID devices and also the use specific instrumentation for its characterization.

Skills

- Capacity for critical reasoning and thought as means for originality in the generation, development and/or application of ideas in a research or professional context.
- Capacity for developing radio communications systems: design of antennas, equipment and subsystems, channel modelling, calculation of links and planning.
- Capacity to apply advanced photonic and optoelectronic knowledge , as well as high frequency electronics
- Maintain proactive and dynamic activity for continual improvement
- Possess and understand knowledge that provides a basis or opportunity for originality in the development and/or application of ideas, often in a research context
- Students should be capable of integrating knowledge and facing the complexity of making judgements using information that may be incomplete or limited, including reflections on the social and ethical responsibilities linked to that knowledge and those judgements
- Students should know how to apply the knowledge they have acquired and their capacity for problem solving in new or little known fields within wider (or multidisciplinary) contexts related to the area of study
- Students should know how to communicate their conclusions, knowledge and final reasoning that they hold in front of specialist and non-specialist audiences clearly and unambiguously

Learning outcomes

1. Capacity for critical reasoning and thought as means for originality in the generation, development and/or application of ideas in a research or professional context.
2. Define the characteristics of the RFID system to be used according to the characteristics of the product you want to identify.

3. Design RFID label with appropriate performance for each application taking into account parameters of cost, bandwidth, size and detection distance.
4. Design antennas for use in RFID readers depending on the final application for which it is required.
5. Design microwave components using equivalent circuits and simulation tools.
6. Maintain proactive and dynamic activity for continual improvement
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Content

- Introduction to RFID systems. Components and operation of an RFID system. Bands and regulated emission power. Types of RFID systems (passive vs active and near field vs far field).
- Modulation and coding. Communication protocol.
- RFID tags. Fundamental parameters (read range, EIRP, gain and power transmission coefficient)
- Design of RFID tags. Antennas for RFID, conjugate matching. Tags for metal products. "Global band" tags.
- RFID Readers
- Measurement and characterization of RFID tags
- Applications

Methodology

The methodology will combine in-situ classes, problem resolution, work in the laboratory, the realization of supplemental works from recommended lectures and autonomous work as well. Virtual platforms will be used.

Activities

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning outcomes
Type: Directed			
Magistral Classes	16	0.64	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10
Problem Resolution	5	0.2	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
Supplemental work	5	0.2	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10
Type: Supervised			
work in the laboratory	15	0.6	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10
Type: Autonomous			
Home study and preparation of laboratory sessions	85	3.4	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

Evaluation

The final qualification will be obtained according the next activities:

- Two partial exams (50%)

- Lab reports (25%) and supplemental work (25%)

If the qualification of the previous parts is below 5 the student can have an additional exam (which will include all the topics of the course) to substitute the part corresponding to the partial exams. To be able to assist to this exam the student should had to be evaluated of 2/3 parts of the course previously.

The lack in qualifications in the Exams or the absence in any of the lab sessions will define the student as non-qualified

Evaluation activities

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning outcomes
Exams	50	4	0.16	1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10
Lab reports	20	10	0.4	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10
Supplemental work	20	10	0.4	1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10

Bibliography

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