



M.TECH DEGREE EXAMINATIONS: NOV/DEC 2024

(Regulation 2018)

Second Semester

DEFENCE TECHNOLOGY

P18DTT2017: Radar Technologies

COURSE OUTCOMES

- CO1:** Understand the design of radar systems, solve range equations.
- CO2:** Apply appropriate mathematical and computer models relevant to radar systems to calculate system performance, and assess the limitations of particular cases
- CO3:** Understand the major components of a modern radar system
- CO4:** Learn basic radar signal processing techniques.
- CO5:** Understand advanced radar techniques.
- CO6:** Know the major functions and applications of a modern radar system.

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

Answer all the Questions:-

PART A (10 x 1 = 10 Marks)

1. Assertion (A): Rain attenuation increases at higher radar frequencies. CO2 [K₂]
Reason (R): Shorter wavelengths are more affected by scattering and absorption in rain.
 - a) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A
 - b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A
 - c) A is true, but R is false
 - d) A is false, but R is true
2. What is the major source of clutter in airborne radar systems? CO1 [K₂]
 - a) Atmospheric absorption
 - b) Reflections from stationary objects like terrain
 - c) Signal attenuation
 - d) Target motion
3. What is the function of a duplexer in a radar system? CO3 [K₂]
 - a) Amplify the received signal
 - b) Allow a single antenna to transmit and receive
 - c) Filter out noise from the received signal
 - d) Adjust the frequency of the radar wave

4. Matching type item with multiple choice code

CO5 [K₂]

List I	List II
A. Synthetic Aperture	i. Surface mapping
B. Phased Array	ii. Multiple target tracking
C. Inverse SAR	iii. Imaging moving targets
D. X-band	iv. Weather monitoring

A B C D

- a) i ii iii iv
 b) ii iii i iv
 c) iii ii i iv
 d) i iii ii iv

5. Assertion (A): Micro-Doppler processing can identify the motion of target components. CO4 [K₂]

Reason (R): Micro-Doppler shifts occur due to small, rapid motions within a target.

- a) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A
 c) A is true, but R is false d) A is false, but R is true

6. Which of the following is NOT an advanced radar technique? CO5 [K₂]

- a) Pulse compression b) Beam steering
 c) Frequency modulation d) Image sharpening

7. What is the primary goal of pulse compression in radar systems? CO4 [K₂]

- a) Increase the range b) Improve resolution
 c) Reduce noise d) Enhance power output

8. Assertion (A): Phased array radar is suitable for tracking fast-moving targets. CO6 [K₂]

Reason (R): Phased array radar can dynamically steer its beam without mechanical movement.

- a) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A
 c) A is true, but R is false d) A is false, but R is true

9. Which atmospheric condition causes ducting in radar signals? CO2 [K₂]

- a) High humidity b) Temperature inversion
 c) Low pressure d) Heavy precipitation

10. Sequence the following radar signal processing steps: CO4 [K₂]

1. Clutter suppression

2. Pulse compression

3. Signal detection

a) a) 2 → 3 → 1

b) b) 3 → 2 → 1

c) c) 1 → 2 → 3

d) d) 2 → 1 → 3

PART B (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)

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| 11. Evaluate the evolution of radar systems from basic pulse radars to modern digital radars. | CO1 | [K ₂] |
| 12. Define radar cross-section (RCS) and explain its significance. | CO2 | [K ₂] |
| 13. Describe how atmospheric conditions affect radar signal propagation. | CO3 | [K ₂] |
| 14. Summarize the functions of a radar duplexer? | CO4 | [K ₃] |
| 15. Explain the concept of pulse compression in radar signal processing. | CO5 | [K ₃] |
| 16. How does a phased array radar achieve beam steering without moving parts? | CO6 | [K ₂] |
| 17. Outline the primary functions of radar? | CO1 | [K ₂] |
| 18. What is clutter in radar systems, and how is it mitigated? | CO2 | [K ₂] |
| 19. Compare surveillance radar and tracking radar? | CO3 | [K ₂] |
| 20. What is Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) and its application? | CO5 | [K ₂] |

PART C (10 x 5 = 50 Marks)

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| 21. Explain the working principles and design considerations of radar antennas. | CO3 | [K ₃] |
| 22. Discuss the effects of ducting and rain attenuation on radar performance. | CO2 | [K ₂] |
| 23. Explain the concept of the signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) and how it affects radar detection performance. | CO1 | [K ₃] |
| 24. Describe the function and implementation of Doppler filtering in radar systems. | CO4 | [K ₂] |
| 25. Compare conventional radar and phased array radar in terms of functionality and applications. | CO5 | [K ₄] |
| 26. Enumerate the limitations of radar systems and methods to overcome them. | CO1 | [K ₂] |
| 27. Describe the Neyman-Pearson criterion for radar detection. | CO2 | [K ₂] |
| 28. Explain how mono pulse radar improves angular accuracy in target tracking. | CO3 | [K ₂] |
| 29. Illustrate the concept of micro-Doppler processing and its applications | CO4 | [K ₂] |
| 30. Compare adaptive beamforming techniques used in phased array radars. Discuss their applications in tracking and imaging. | CO6 | [K ₄] |

31. Derive the radar range equation considering the impact of system losses and discuss its application to calculate radar system performance in realistic environments. 10 CO1 [K₄]
32. Explain the design and operational principles of a radar transmitter. Identify and discuss how advancements in solid-state transmitters have improved modern radar systems. CO3 [K₃]
33. Explain the working principle of the Kalman Filter in radar tracking and analyze its strengths and limitations in real-world radar systems. CO4 [K₄]
