

**Exercise 6, Deadline: Mon, Dec 14th, 10:00**

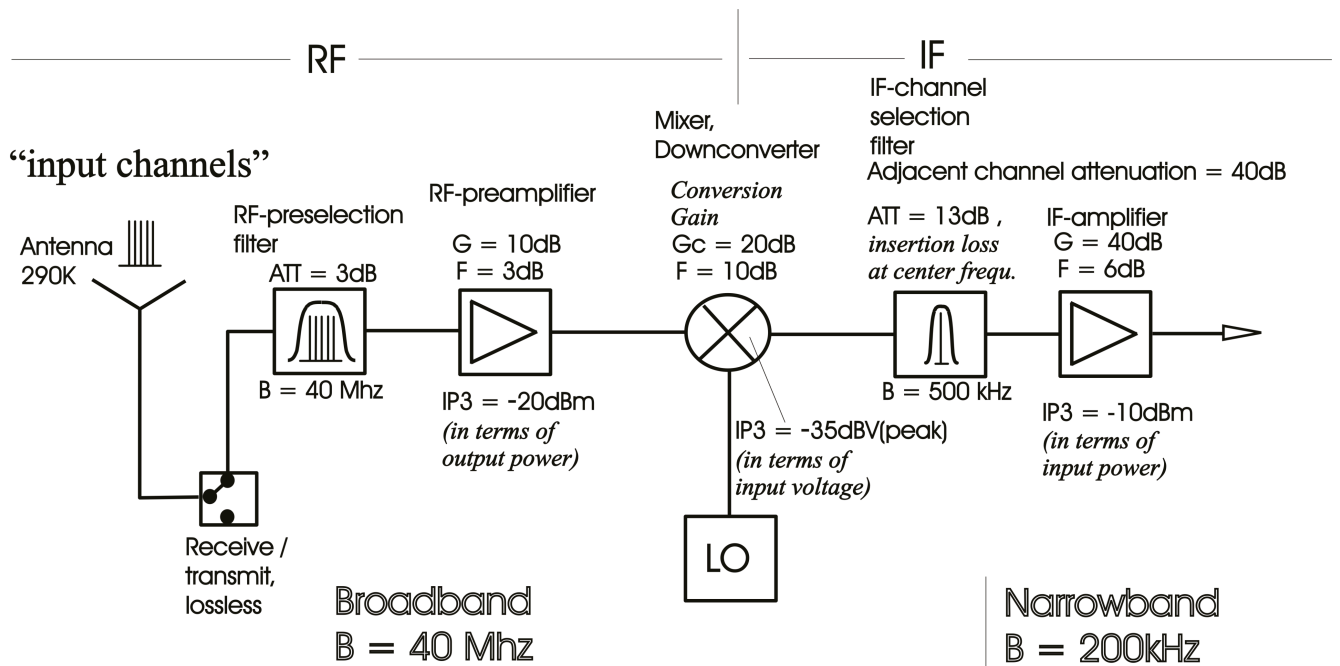
Problem. 6.1 VU RF Techniques 2015/2016

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**Heterodyne receiver, equidistant channel spacing:**

the antenna „looks“ into an urban area, 50 ohm system, antenna and all stages of the chain matched.

We pick out three channels for further discussion: channel 10 shall be the desired channel (active channel, „Nutzkanal“). Two interferers are in channel 11 (adjacent channel), and in channel 12 respectively, each of the interferers has -56dBm at the antenna output.



- Antenna signal input power in channel 10 is 1 pW: calculate the **SNR at the IF-amplifier output**.
- Calculate the over all noise figure **NF<sub>TOTAL</sub>** of the complete receiver chain. What are the “additional” noise figures **NF<sub>ADD</sub>** from stage to stage (all in dB)?
- Calculate the interferer power levels at the IF amplifier output, if the LO is tuned to select channel 10 (the desired channel). See textbook 2015, page 125, Fig. 4.24: adjacent channel attenuation down from "0dB", general insertion loss for all channels indicated separately.
- Draw the double-log sketches of **logP<sub>out</sub> versus logP<sub>in</sub>** for the preamplifier, for the mixer, and for the IF-amplifier. Draw the traces of 1<sup>st</sup> order and 3<sup>rd</sup> order products powers, and mark the 3<sup>rd</sup> order Intercept Points **IP3**. Calculate the total **IP3<sub>TOT</sub>** and indicate it in the sketch.
- Draw a **sketch of the power level diagram** of the receiver chain for noise, signal, interferers, and intermodulation products, all powers in dBm.

**Remark:** for the calculation of absolute noise powers consider the bandwidth reduction !!!  
 Absolute noise power = (noise power density) x (filter bandwidth)

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Heterodyne Receiver, **2<sup>nd</sup> order and 3<sup>rd</sup> order nonlinearity**“ !!!!

The following frequencies in a channel system are active at **-30dBm** each:

$f_1 = 1850\text{MHz}$ ,  $f_2 = 1853\text{MHz}$ ,  $f_3 = 1854\text{MHz}$ ,  $f_4 = 1859\text{MHz}$ ,  $f_5 = 1862\text{MHz}$  .

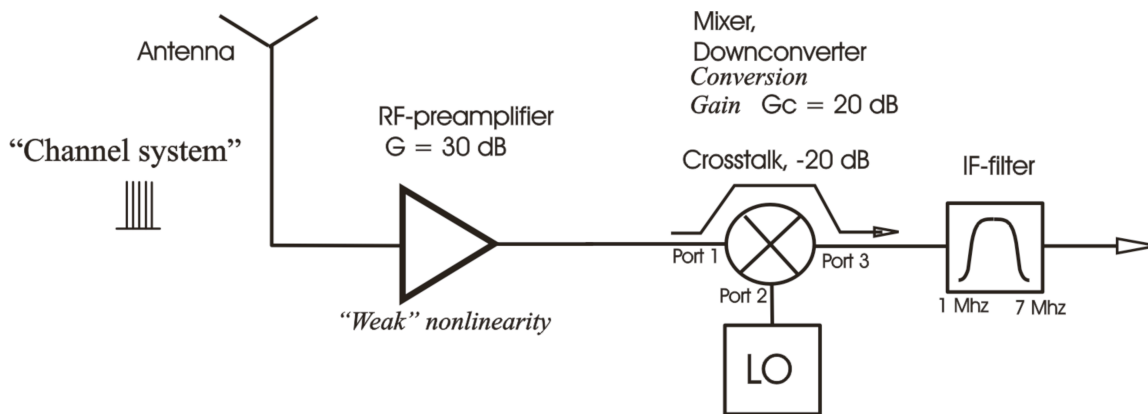
**RF-preamplifier**, GAIN = 30dB , **2<sup>nd</sup> AND 3<sup>rd</sup> order nonlinearities!!**

**3<sup>rd</sup> order nonlinearities:** dual beat intermodulation distance  $\text{IM}_{3\text{rd order, dual beat}} = 40\text{dB}$   
at  $-30\text{dBm}$  signal input.

**2<sup>nd</sup> order nonlinearities:**  $\text{IP}_2 = (0\text{dBm}/+30\text{dBm})$ .

**Mixer**, ideal multiplier producing difference (absolute value of the differences!), and sum frequencies,  
NO intermodulation, Conversion Gain = 20dB, cross talk from port 1 to port 3,  $|S_{31}| = -20\text{dB}$ ,  
all ports DC-2GHz.

**IF-filter:** Pass Band: lower limit ( **1,0 MHz** ) to upper limit ( **7,0 MHz** ), i.e. total bandwidth: **6 MHz**



- a) RF-preamplifier output: draw the power spectrum (power versus frequency) of occurring 3<sup>rd</sup> order (i.e. intermodulation ) products, that can be observed in the frequency range from 1838 MHz to 1874 MHz).
- b) RF-preamplifier output: calculate the distance between the power of 2<sup>nd</sup> order combination products and the power of the desired 1<sup>st</sup> order (i.e. signal) power for the given signal input power.
- b) Some of the 2<sup>nd</sup> order products from the RF-preamplifier propagate to the mixer output without frequency conversion, but simply **via cross talk** across the mixer ports 1 and 3, and may fit into the IF-filter passband. At the mixer output port: give a frequency example, how many dB are the levels of those 2<sup>nd</sup> order products below the levels of 3<sup>rd</sup> order (i.e. intermodulation) products?