## ATCW-2070: INFORMATION TRANSPORT CIRCUITS

# **Cuyahoga Community College**

**Viewing: ATCW-2070: Information Transport Circuits** 

Academic Term: Spring 2019

**Subject Code** 

ATCW - AIT-Communication Workers

**Course Number:** 

2070

Title:

Information Transport Circuits

#### **Catalog Description:**

Advanced course covering the functions and limitations of transmission signals and the provider equipment and hardware used for information transport. In addition, troubleshooting procedures, tools, and equipment will be discussed.

#### Credit Hour(s):

1

#### Lecture Hour(s):

1

## Requisites

#### **Prerequisite and Corequisite**

Departmental approval: admission into the CWA apprenticeship program.

#### **Outcomes**

### Course Outcome(s):

I. Examine the different types of transmission signals and explain the relative functions and limitations of each.

#### Objective(s):

- 1. Define the terms related to information transport circuits.
- 2. Contrast the different circuits used to transport voice, video and data.
- 3. Categorize the effects of attenuation with respect to distance and medium used for transmission.
- 4. Examine how the different electronic hardware interacts with different signals used.
- 5. Distinguish the electronic progression of voice and data circuits.
- 6. Differentiate between the different types and functions of circuits.

#### Course Outcome(s):

II. Compare the respective service provider equipment and hardware and describe the various tests required for industry compliance end user acceptance.

#### Objective(s):

- 1. Contrast the purpose of primary protection with respect to points of penetration and demarcation.
- 2. Support the purpose of identifying circuit numbers of respective services.
- 3. Differentiate between service provider tests and interconnect testing.
- 4. Distinguish the equipment used for circuit testing and end user acceptance.
- 5. Analyze the physical properties of medium used for signal and information transport.
- 6. Evaluate the difference between interconnects and explain the service provided by each.
- 7. Differentiate between service provider, hardware and equipment.
- 8. Describe the purpose of the points of demarcation and network interface devices.

#### Course Outcome(s):

III. Perform troubleshooting operations using the proper tools and equipment to diagnose and resolve information transport problems.

#### Objective(s):

- 1. Operate the tools and equipment used to troubleshoot and correct circuitry problems.
- 2. Value the importance of verifying testing equipment.
- 3. Contrast the various problems encountered with respect to transmission circuitry.
- 4. Illustrate the potential jobsite hazards and identify the safety regulations that must be employed for worker safety
- 5. Express the importance of isolating the physical faults and equipment failure to determine responsibility.
- 6. Create a standard flow chart to resolve diagnosed problems.
- 7. Arrange the procedures followed for verifying problem resolution.

#### Methods of Evaluation:

- 1. Quizzes
- 2. Tests
- 3. Class participation

#### **Course Content Outline:**

- 1. Transmission signals: functions and limitations
  - a. Terminology
    - i. Smart jack
    - ii. RJ-11
    - iii. Time domain relectometer
    - iv. Gas tube
    - v. Protection ground
    - vi. 21 Block
    - vii. Cat-5 Jumper
    - viii. Pipe
    - ix. Node
    - x. Sidekick
    - xi. Stress
    - xii. Pulp trouble
    - xiii. Burning
    - xiv. Chase the cable
    - xv. Voip
    - xvi. Port
  - xvii. Resistance fault
  - xviii. Open test
  - xix. Longitudinal balance
  - xx. Capacitive balance
  - xxi. Interconnect
  - xxii. Cross connect wire
  - b. Circiut type
    - i. Plan Old Typical System (POTS)
    - ii. Centrex
    - iii. DSO
    - iv. DSL
    - v. ADSL
    - vi. SDSL
    - vii. VDSL
    - viii. T-1
    - ix. PR1
    - x. DS-3
  - c. Attenuation

- i. Effects
  - 1. Distance
  - 2. Medium
- ii. Sources
  - Noise
  - 2. Induced
  - 3. Physical
- d. Electronic hardware
  - i. Types
    - 1. Modem
    - 2. Router
    - 3. Communication system
    - 4. Signal interaction
      - a. VOIP stations
      - b. Analog stations
- e. Electronic progression
  - i. Voice
  - ii. Data
  - iii. Convergence
- f. Circuit functions
  - i. Voice
  - ii. Video
  - iii. Data
- 2. Service provider: equipment and hardware
  - a. Equipment
    - i. Smart Jack
    - ii. Primary protection terminal
  - b. Hardware
    - i. Fuses
    - ii. Jacks
    - iii. Blocks
    - iv. Cross connect wire
  - c. Interconnects
    - i. Service distribution
    - ii. Equipment provider
  - d. Service provider
    - i. Circuit delivery
    - ii. Circuit provision
      - 1. Testing
      - 2. Compliance
  - e. Points of demarcation
    - i. Location
      - 1. Undefined
      - 2. Multiple termination
      - 3. Extended
    - ii. Purpose
      - 1. Location
        - a. Undefined
        - b. Multiple termination
        - c. Extended
      - 2. Purpose
        - a. Responsibility
        - b. Test points
  - f. Primary protects
    - i. Purpose
      - 1. Environmental
      - 2. Induced
    - ii. Penetrations
      - 1. Compliance
      - 2. Distance

- 3. Grounding requirements
- 4. Fuse types
- iii. Demarcation
  - 1. Location
  - 2. Accessibility
- g. Circuit number identification
  - i. Purpose
    - 1. Location
    - 2. Cross connect
    - 3. Troubleshooting
  - ii. Function
- h. Tests
  - i. Service provider
    - 1. Longitudinal balance
    - 2. Capacitivie balance
    - 3. Sycnronization
  - ii. Interconnect
    - 1. Test and turn up
    - 2. Port
    - 3. Service verification
- i. Circuit testing equipment
  - i. Sync meter
  - ii. Butt set
  - iii. Tone amplifier
- j. Medium
  - i. Pysical properties
  - ii. Signal transport
- 3. Troubleshooting
  - a. Tools and equipment
    - i. Hand tools
    - ii. Power tools
    - iii. Diagnostic
  - b. Equipment verification
    - i. Purpose
    - ii. Diagostic
  - c. Typical problems
    - i. Circuit provisioning
    - ii. Physical
    - iii. Demarcation location
    - iv. Environmental
    - v. Human error
    - vi. Workmanship
    - vii. Standards revisions
    - viii. Communication
  - d. Jobsite hazards
    - i. Asbestos
    - ii. Elevated work
    - iii. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
    - iv. Electrical
  - e. Safety regulations
    - i. PPE
    - ii. Fall protection
    - iii. Electrical
    - iv. Telephony
  - f. Physical fault isolation
    - i. Types
      - 1. Short
      - 2. Ground

- 3. Cross
- 4. Open
- ii. Purpose
  - 1. Problem resolution
  - 2. Circuit continuity
- g. Flow chart resolution verification
  - i. Voice test
  - ii. Replication
  - iii. Data check
  - iv. End user satisfaction

Resources

Independent Electrical Contractors Chesapeak and Western Electrical Contractors Association. *Electrical Pre-Apprenticeship Workforce Development*. 2013 Edition. Cengage Learning Clifton Park, NY, 2013.

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Cisco Press. Cisco Certified Network Associate. Second Edition. Cisco Press Indianapolis, Indiana, 2002.

#### **Resources Other**

www.adtrain.com www.circuitstoday.com

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