



HIGH ALTITUDE PLATFORM STATIONS IN DESIGN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION SYSTEM FOR COVER THE SPECIFIC AREA

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Abstract: *This paper explains how to design a wireless communication system via high altitude platform stations HAPS to cover the specific area (Using Diwaniyah city area as a model). High altitude platform station HAPS is unmanned airplane provides the wireless communication service to the wider area. It is designed to work at high altitude between (17-22 Km) and coverage area 400 Km. This study illustrated for calculating the co-channel interference between HAPS ground station with a terrestrial station and satellite station. Free space losses for a HAPS ground station has been applied to meet the geographic of Diwaniyah city. In addition, explaining the relationship between elevation angles with the radius of the coverage area. Interference mitigation techniques have been given, such as improving the antenna radiation pattern, then it proposed the elevation angle for the HAPS's ground stations to reduce an interference between HAPS network with Fixed Service (FS) and fixed satellite service (FSS). Finally, this study explains the relationship between elevation angles with the radius of the coverage area. For more reliability, the Scenario for covers the city of Diwaniya. Two ground stations have been proposed to connect with high-altitude platform station.*

Keywords: wireless communication system, High Altitude Platform Stations (HAPS) , co-channel interference, Interference to Noise Ratio I/N, separation distance, HAPS coverage area.

INTRODUCTION

High Altitude Platform Stations (HAPS) is one of the new technologies that provide the wireless communication service. This technology can be performing the service of the terrestrial station and satellite system. The service of high altitude platform station (HAPS) includes wireless communication, broadband communication, weather monitoring, security monitoring and data of city map collection. The High-Altitude Platform Station (HAPS) is situated between 17 and 22 Km above ground [2]. HAPS coverage area about 200 Km to 500 Km depend on the specific area which has been chosen to design these technologies [12]. One of the advantages of using high altitude platform station can provide a wide coverage area. Single HAPS can be covering an area equivalent to 258 ground terrestrial towers [1]. High altitude platform station technology has been several advantages compared with satellite and terrestrial services such as low propagation delay compares with satellite and wide area coverage compare with terrestrial services [9]. HAPS coverage area, depending on the altitude of HAPS and the elevation angle. (**Figure 1**) describes how HAPS can carry a large variety of wireless communications payload which provide a high capacity of end-users of broadband service.

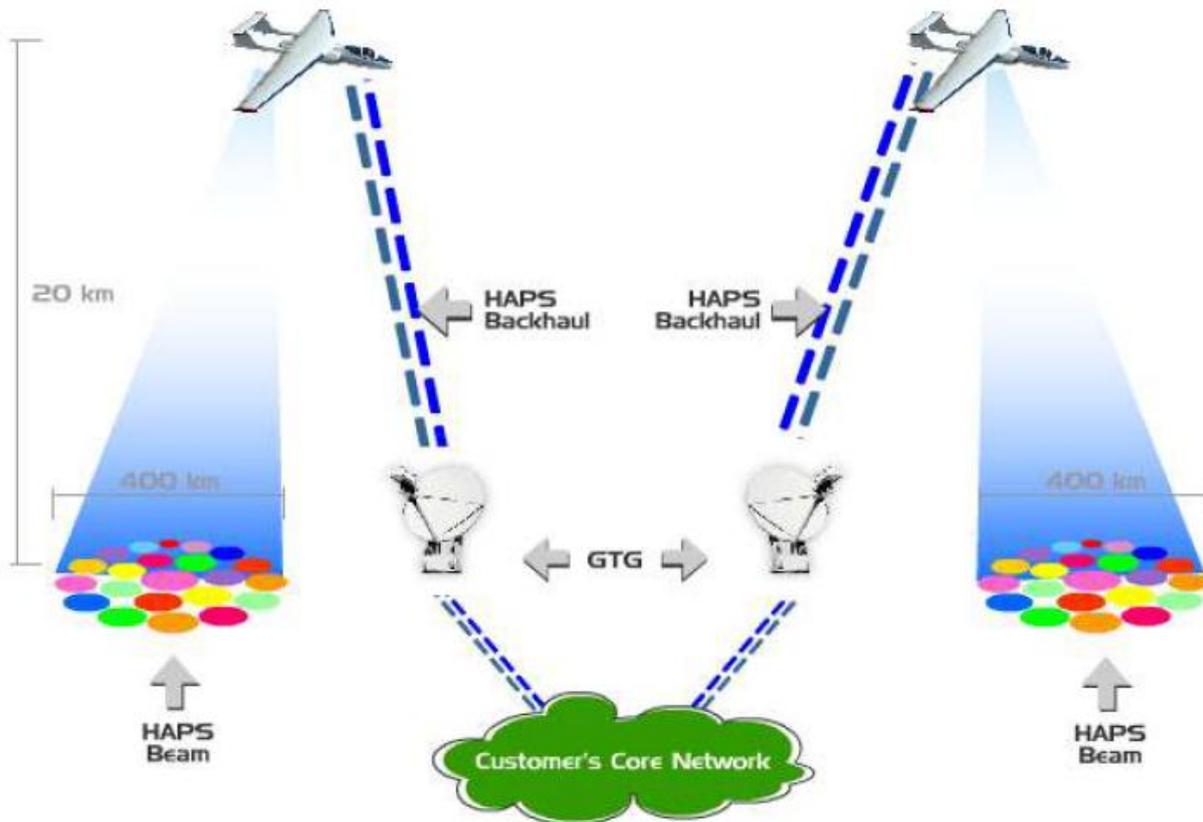


Figure 1: Network architecture of HAPS [10].

1. INTERFERENCE MITIGATION TECHNIQUE

Thus, general interference mitigation techniques must be taken into our consideration for the development of a system using HAPS [5].

1.1. INCREASING THE MINIMUM ELEVATION ANGLE (ELV. ANGLE)

"Interference from the fixed satellite service (FSS)" [5] ground station to the HAPS ground stations that between FS ground stations and HAPS ground station can be reduced by increasing the minimum elevation angle of the HAPS ground station.

1.2. IMPROVEMENT OF RADIATION PATTERNS OF ANTENNA STATIONS

This technique can be reduced interference from HAPS airship to the space satellite part by forming a pattern of each beam of a multi beam antenna on the board HAPS airship, (Figure 2) explains the pattern shaping improves the main lobe and side lobes characteristic [6].

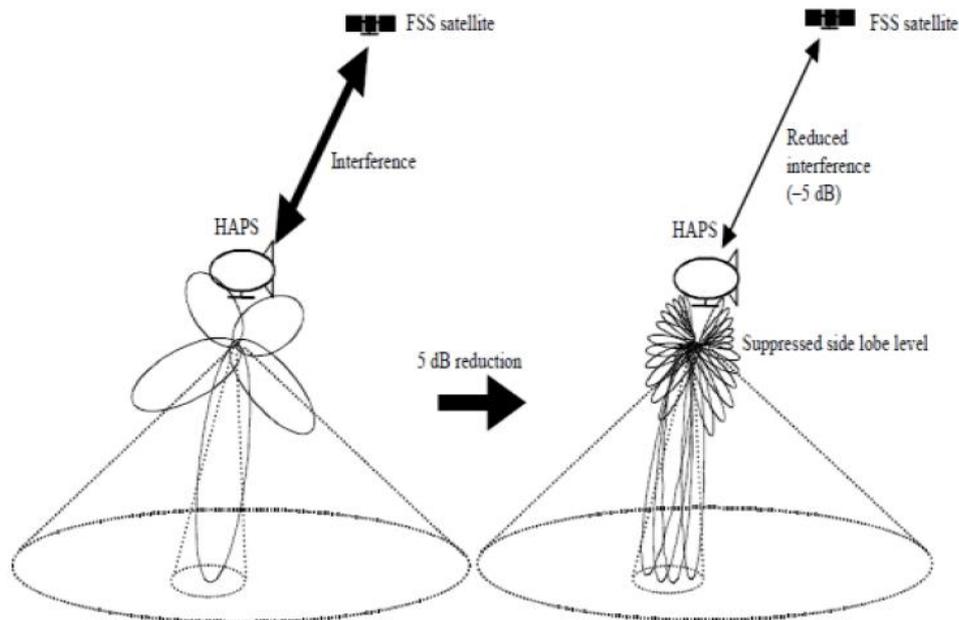


Figure 2: Main lobe and side lobes characteristic (improvement antenna radiation pattern).

1.3. DYNAMIC CHANNEL ASSIGNMENT (DCA)

It is to reduce the interference; this mitigation is to search un-use frequencies, not to give interference to another service and not so as to be received from another service. When wireless communication system operating base on demand assignment, DCA scheme is using self-control ineffective for sharing with another service. [4]

1.4. AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION POWER CONTROL (ATPC)

In the wireless communication system use a high-bandwidth, and system design consider the attenuation of rain. To compensate for attenuation, is to increase the transfer of power from the rain value. ATPC has the potential to control the production of energy in monitoring the weather or receive power. Transmission power is increasing with rain condition and its decreasing with clear sky condition [5].

2. HAPS INTERFERENCE AND FREE SPACE LOSS EVALUATION

For the calculation interference from the HAPS ground stations to FWA stations used following equations.

"The interference from HAPS ground Station to an FWA station is obtained by the equation (1)" [13]

$$I = P_{Tx_GS} - L_{fTx_GS} + G_{Tx_GS}(\theta_{H_F}) - L_s - L_{Atm} - L_{Obs} + G_{Rx_FWA}(\theta_{F_H}) - L_{fRx_FWA} \quad (1)$$

I is Interference, P_{Tx_GS} Transmission power for HAPS's ground stations in (dB), L_{fTx_GS} feeder loss of HAPS ground station (dB), $G_{Tx_GS}(\theta_{H_F})$ antenna gain of HAPS ground station, L_s free space path losses between FWA stations and HAPS ground station (dB),



L_{Atm} Atmosphere absorption loss between HAPS ground station and FWA station (dB), $G_{Rx_FWA}(\theta_{F_H})$ Receiving antenna gain of FWA station (dBi) and L_{fRx_FWA} is the feeder losses in FWA stations (dB). The free space path losses between HAPS ground stations and FWA stations is given by equation (2)

$$L_s = \frac{4\pi d * 1000}{\tau} \quad (2)$$

Where d is the distance between HAPS and FWA station in (Km), τ is a wavelength in (m) and the interference to noise ratio (I/N) was obtained by equation (3) [8].

$$\frac{I}{N} = I - 10 \log \left(293 * K * 10^{NF/10} / 10^{10^6} \right) dB \quad (3)$$

Where K is Boltzmann constant = 1.38×10^{-23} (J/K), NF is noise figure (dB).

3. METHODOLOGY

3.1. LOCATION

Diwaniyah Coordinates longitude $31^{\circ}59'15''N$ and latitude $44^{\circ}55'42''E$, according to the map of Diwaniyah city. The location of HAPS to the center of the coverage area after studying these area is shown in (Figure 3). According to the whole area of Diwaniyah city, the footprints of coverage area shown in (Google map), the area of Diwaniyah city center is (1212 Sq. Km).

3.2. SYSTEM PARAMETERS

The parameters of HAPS and FS systems are Summary in (Table 1) to covering a Diwaniyah city area. In (Table 1) shows the angle and corresponding ground coverage area have been measured from nadir.

Table 1: Parameters of HAPS system.

HAPS altitude	20 km
Antenna gains of a HAPS ground station	35 dBi
Availability of HAPS system	99.4%
Minimum elevation angle of HAPS ground stations	30°
Estimated number of HAPS	1
Required E_b/N_0 for BER = 1×10^{-6}	5.5 dB
link margin of HAPS system	3 dB

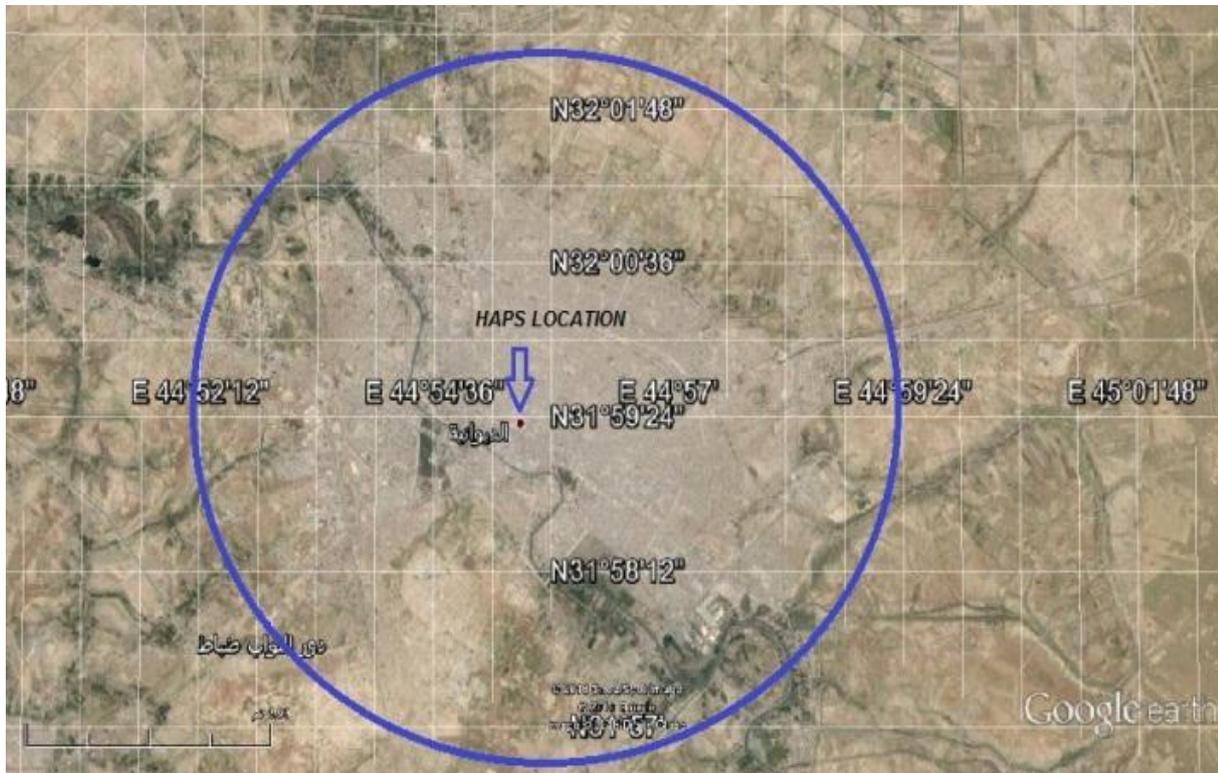


Figure 3: HAPS coverage area in Diwaniyah city's map.

3.3. ALTITUDE SELECTION FOR HAPS SYSTEM

The major challenge on the altitude selection for HAPS is the wind speed. An operating altitude of HAPS between 17Km and 22 Km because the wind speed is the minimum as shown in (Figure 4) [14]. At altitudes of 20 km, the air masses can be considered relatively stationary with very slow winds. The altitude of HAPS depends on wind speed. In this case it was chosen altitude of HAPS to Diwaniyah city center is above 20 Km it is enough to cover this area.

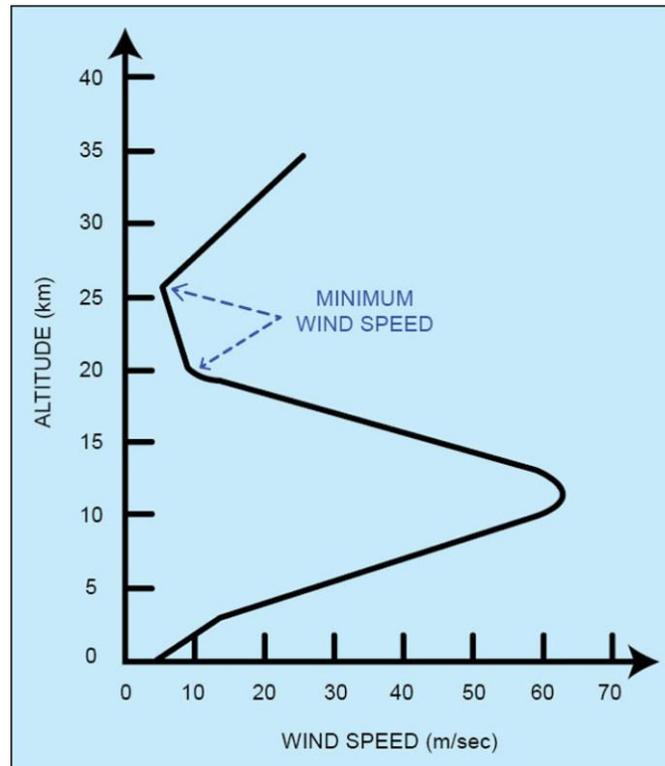


Figure 4: Wind speed (m/s) VS altitude (Km) [14].

3.4. HAPS COVERAGE AREA

The coverage area of the high altitude platform station (HAPS) is depending on altitude and elevation angle of the antenna. One HAPS airship can be offer remarkable coverage measurement 400 Km distance of the ground area instead of 258 ground terrestrial towers [2]. (Figure 5) have been plotted with Matlab program, it explains the relationship between the elevation angle and the radius of the coverage area. reducing elevation angle lead to increase the radius of the coverage area it is an inverse relationship.

From table1. the elevation angle of the HAPS ground station for Diwanyah city using the UAC coverage area will be at 30°, 60° and 90° with altitude 20 Km, so the distance of the HAPS ground station will be:

$$d1 = \frac{\text{Altitude}}{\tan(\text{ele. angle})} = \frac{20 \text{ Km}}{\tan(30)} = 34.614 \text{ Km} \quad (4)$$

$$d2 = \frac{\text{Altitude}}{\tan(\text{ele. angle})} = \frac{20 \text{ Km}}{\tan(60)} = 11.547 \text{ Km} \quad (5)$$

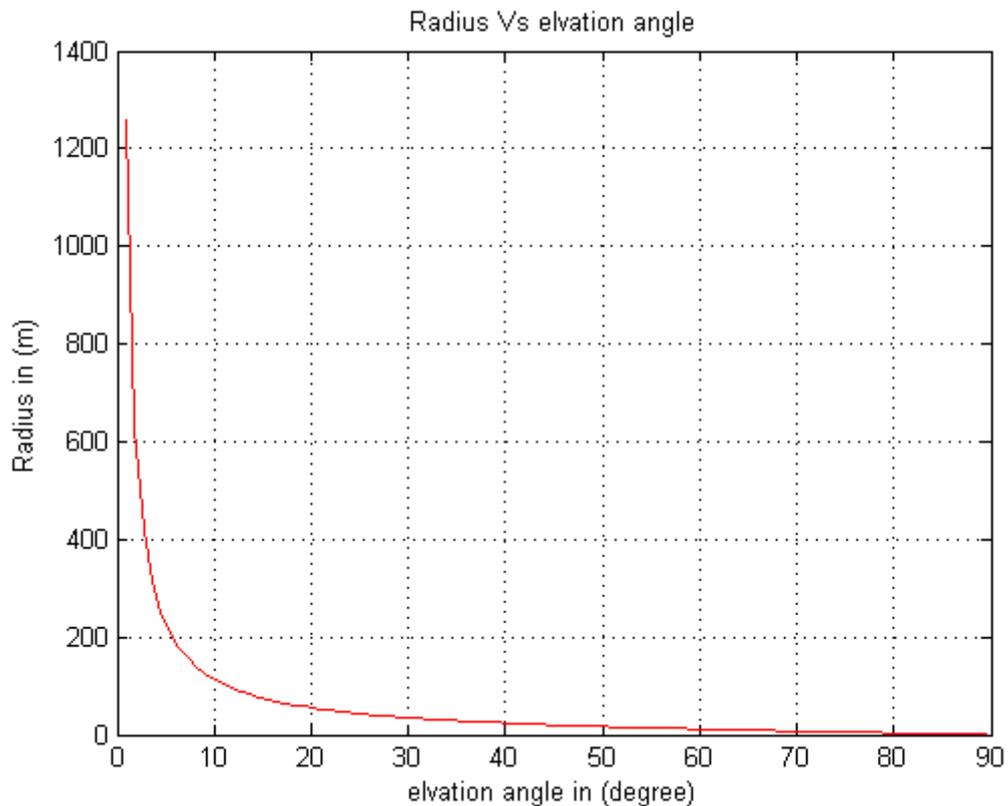


Figure 5: Radius VS elevation angle at altitude 20 Km.

3.5. INTERFERENCE TO NOISE RATIO I/N UNDER CLEAR SKY CONDITION

To calculate interference to noise ratio I/N must find the free space loss L_s by using equation (2) and calculate interference power (I) using equation (1). **(Figure 6)** show the antenna pattern for the HAPS ground station while the typical link budget for the HAPS system is given in **(table 2)** used 28/31.28GHz under clear sky conditions [13]. Both **(table 2)** and **(Figure 6)** are adopted the value of parameter regard the HAPS ground in equation (1).

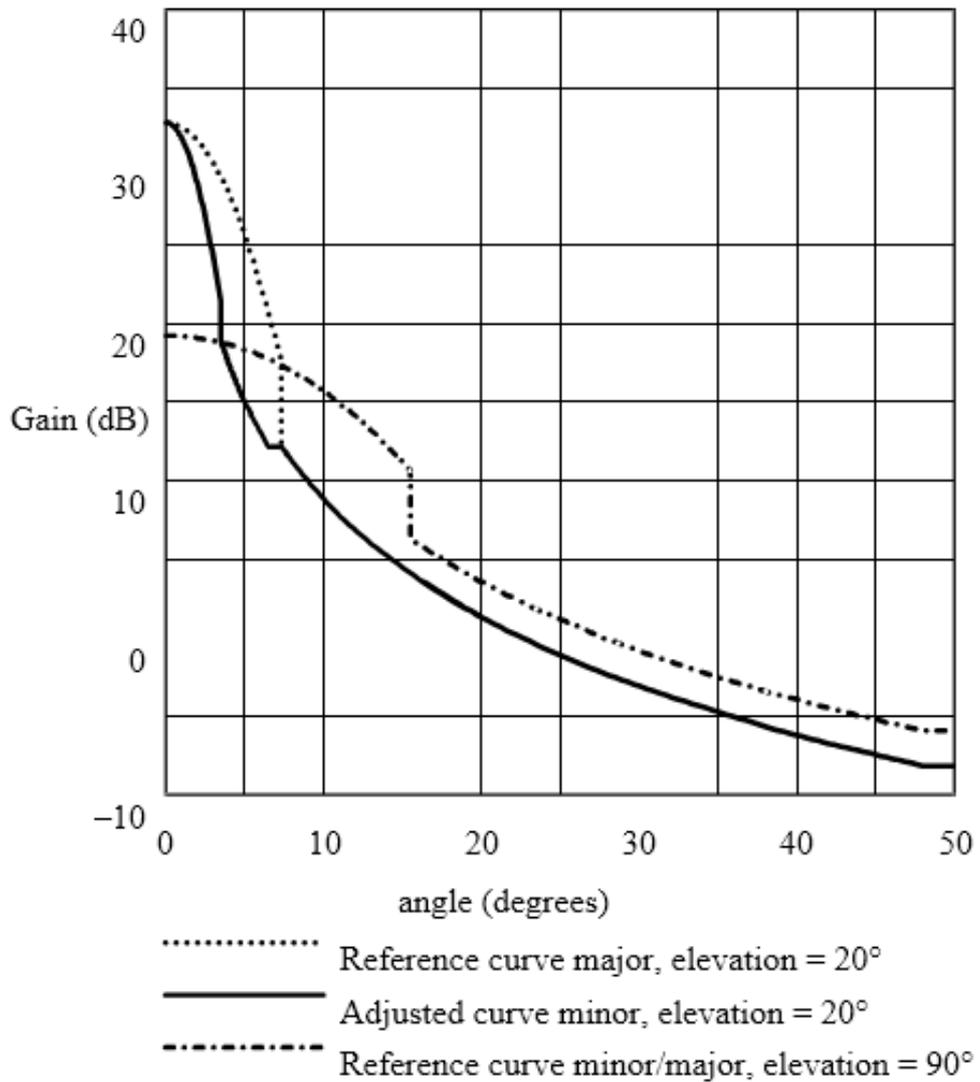


Figure 6: HAPS antenna pattern.



Table 2: Link budget for HAPS system at 20Km altitude, clear sky conditions [13].

	Up link	Down link	Up link	Down link
Elevation angles (in degree)	20°		90°	
Frequency(F)	31.28GHz	28GHz	31.28GHz	28GHz
Bandwidth(BW)	20MHz	20MHz	20MHz	20MHz
Transmission of antenna:				
• power o/p (dBW)	-16.3	-14.5	-16.3	-15.2
• feeder losses(dB)	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
• Gain(dBi)	35	29.5	35	16.5
• e.i.r.p.(dBW)	18.2	14.5	18.2	0.7
• e.i.r.p.(dB(W/MHz))	5.2	1.5	5.2	-12.3
Path length(km)	58.50	58.50	20.0	20.0
Free space path losses (dB)	157.7	156.7	148.4	147.4
Rain attenuation (dB)	0	0	0	0
Availability in the zone M (%)	100	100	100	100
Atmospheric gases attenuation (dB)	0.4	0.4	0	0
Pfd(dB(W/m ² · MHz))		-105.2		-109.3
Receiving antenna:				
• Gain (dBi)	29.5	35	16.5	35
• Feeder losses(dB)	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
• Received power (dBW)	-110.9	-108.1	-114.2	-112.2
• Noise temperature in(K)	700	500	700	500
• Noise temperature in(dB(W/Hz))	-200.2	-201.6	-200.2	-201.6
• Interference power(dB(W/MHz)) (//N = 10%)	-150.2	-151.6	-150.2	-151.6
• receiver losses technical (dB)	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
C/N ₀ available (dB(Hz))	86.30	90.60	83.00	86.50
UserDataRate UDR (Mbit/s)	13.3	13.3	13.3	13.3
UserDataRate UDR (dBHz)	71.2	71.2	71.2	71.2
Required (BER for QPSK =10 ⁻⁶)	E_b/N_0 (dB)			
	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50
Coding gains(dB) ($K=7, r=2/3$)	5	5	5	5
Necessary E_b/N_0 (dB)	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
Necessary C/N ₀ (dB(Hz))	76.7	76.7	76.7	76.7
LinkMargin in (dB)	9.60	13.90	6.30	9.80

Both (Table 3) and (Figure 7) are using to obtain the value of a parameter regarding FWA base station. after calculating interference, can be computed interference to noise ratio I/N using equation (3).



Table 3: Parameters of FWA station.

Parameters	31.28 GHz	28 GHz
Transmitting O/P (in dBW)	-3.0	-3.0
Spectral density O/P (in dB(W/ MHz))	-6.0	-6.0
Noise figures (dB)	7.0	8.0
Receiving thermal noise calculating (in dB(W/ MHz))	-137.0	-136.0
Antenna gains (indBi)	37 / 46	36 / 46
Antenna Pattern depend on	Reco.ITU_R F1245	Reco.ITU_R F1245
Feeder losses (dB)	zero	Zero
Modulation type	4-FSK.	QPSK.

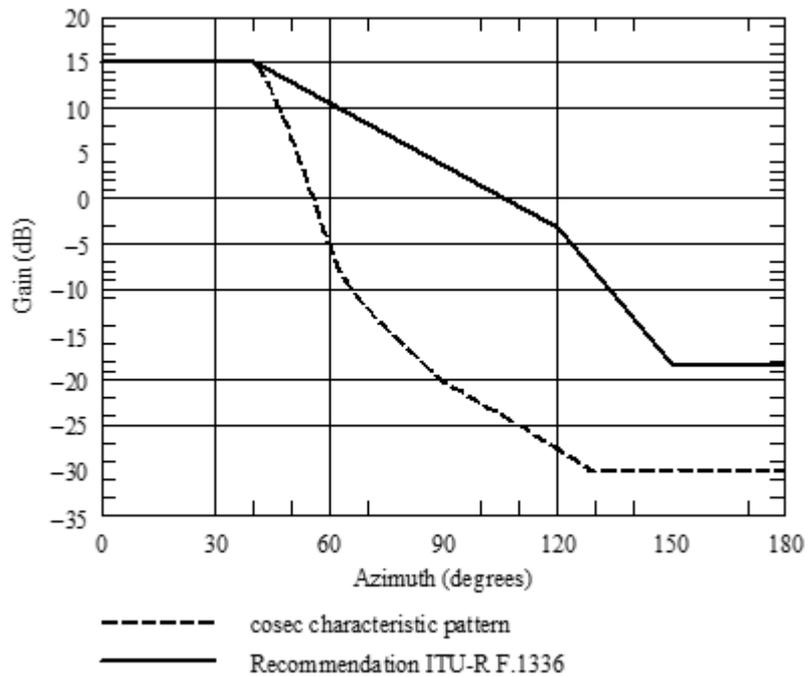


Figure 7: antenna beam pattern in azimuth direction.

4. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Using MATLAB to plot and analysis the graphs for showing the relationship between interference to noise ratio (I/N), separation distance(d) and the azimuth angles in clear sky condition shown in **(Figure 8)**. The main importance in this survey is to get minimum separation distance necessary to optimize interference to noise ratio, it will be -10dB. subsequently, the analysis is performed on this graph. **(Figure 8)** shown the graph of interference to noise ratio I/N versus distance between HAPS ground station and the ground station for various azimuths in clear-sky condition. It includes the azimuth angles are 30°, 60° and 90° from **(Figure 8)**, can be seen that interference to noise ratio I/N is decreased when the separation distance d is increasing for various azimuth. A minimum separation distance has been required to obtain the optimum interference to noise ratio I/N for the azimuth of 30°, or any azimuth less than 40°, is 188 km. For azimuth of 60°, 119 km is needed. Finally, optimum interference to noise ratio I/N at an azimuth equal to 90°, the minimum separation distance is 53 km.

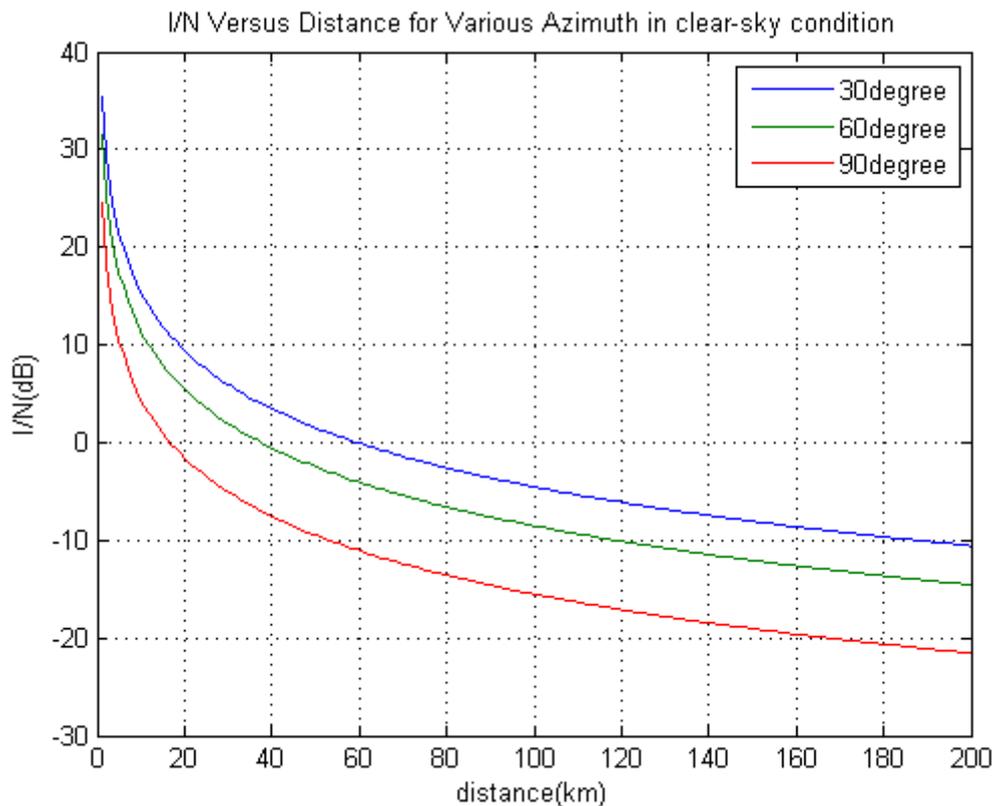


Figure 8: I/N vs separation distance for various azimuth in clear sky condition.

The results obtained require to install tow ground stations with elevation angles 30° and 60° Assuming the location of fixed service (FS) and fixed service satellite (FSS) to avoid the interference between HAPS ground stations and (FS, FSS), location of the HAPS ground stations will be at (d1 and d2), the interference with FS and FSS stations decrease because user starts to go out of the HAPS coverage area and transmission power of terrestrial station is getting high there for quality of service to improve the chances of coexistence.



CONCLUSION

In this paper, have been given in the review of HAPS and the benefits of using HAPS in the wireless communication system in the specific coverage area. Scenario covers the city of Diwaniya, it has been proposed in addition to the two ground stations to communicate with high altitude platform station for more reliability. The mitigation technique has been used to reduce interference to noise ratio I/N, when the fixed station FS and fixed satellite station FSS is separately away from the HAPS ground station. Most interference exists when the elevation angle from HAPS towards (FSS/GS, FS/GS) stations is equal to the elevation angle from HAPS towards HAPS ground station; the larger gain of fixed satellite station (FSS) and fixed station (FS) lead to reduce interference. Furthermore, the free path loss has been calculated depending on the coverage area of Diwaniyah city. The network of HAPS will be covering a whole city area of different wireless communication service.

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