

B.E. / B.Tech. - DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, APRIL / MAY 2025

Sixth Semester

**Electronics and Communication Engineering
20ECPC603 - WIRELESS COMMUNICATION**

Regulations - 2020

Duration: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

PART - A (MCQ) (10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

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| 1. Free space propagation model is to predict _____.
(a) received signal strength (b) transmitted power
(c) transmitted gain (d) receiver gain | 1 | K1 | CO1 |
| 2. Which of the following is an ideal antenna?
(a) Directional antenna (b) Dipole antenna (c) Loop antenna (d) Isotropic antenna | 1 | K1 | CO1 |
| 3. The bandwidth of FDMA channels is _____.
(a) narrow (b) wide (c) infinite (d) zero | 1 | K1 | CO2 |
| 4. In a CDMA system, increasing the number of users in the system primarily impacts the system capacity due to
(a) Increased bandwidth for each user
(b) Increased power requirements for each user
(c) Higher interference due to overlapping code sequences
(d) Enhanced signal quality from spreading gain | 1 | K2 | CO2 |
| 5. The frequency reuse factor for CDMA system is _____.
(a) one (b) two (c) three (d) four | 1 | K1 | CO3 |
| 6. MAHO stands for _____.
(a) MSC assisted handoff (b) Mobile assisted handoff
(c) Machine assisted handoff (d) Man assisted handoff | 1 | K1 | CO3 |
| 7. Minimum shift keying is similar to _____.
(a) CPFSK (b) BPSK (c) BFSK (d) QPSK | 1 | K1 | CO4 |
| 8. In fading channels, which modulation scheme is known for being the most robust with low bit error probability under severe fading conditions?
(a) 64-QAM (b) BPSK (c) 16-QAM (d) OFDM | 1 | K1 | CO4 |
| 9. Which of the following does not hold true for MLSE?
(a) Minimizes probability of sequence error
(b) Require knowledge of channel characteristics
(c) Requires the statistical distribution of noise
(d) Operates on continuous time signal | 1 | K1 | CO5 |
| 10. Perfect CSI allows for _____.
(a) Optimal power allocation and signal processing (b) Increased latency
(c) Simplified receiver design (d) Reduced signal-to-noise ratio | 1 | K1 | CO6 |

PART - B (12 × 2 = 24 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

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| 11. Define coherence time. | 2 | K1 | CO1 |
| 12. Calculate the power received at a distance of 10km if the power at 100 meters is -20 dBm. | 2 | K2 | CO1 |
| 13. List any four important features of TDMA. | 2 | K1 | CO2 |
| 14. A mobile receives a signal of -80 dBm at 100 m. Using a path loss exponent of 3, estimate the received power at 400 m. | 2 | K2 | CO2 |

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| 15. Define Dwell time. | 2 | K1 | CO3 |
| 16. State Erlang B formula. | 2 | K1 | CO3 |
| 17. Mention the advantages of $\pi/4$ QPSK. | 2 | K2 | CO4 |
| 18. State Coherent Detection. | 2 | K2 | CO4 |
| 19. Differentiate selection and combining diversity. | 2 | K1 | CO5 |
| 20. Define optimum combining. | 2 | K2 | CO5 |
| 21. Write the significance of beamforming. | 2 | K2 | CO6 |
| 22. Assume four-branch diversity is used, where each branch receives an independent Rayleigh fading signal. If the average SNR is 20 dB, determine the probability that the SNR will drop below 10 dB. Compare this with the case of a single receiver without diversity. | 2 | K2 | CO6 |

PART - C ($6 \times 11 = 66$ Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

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| 23. a) | Discuss in detail about fading effects due to Doppler spread. Explain the parameters of mobile multipath channels. | 11 | K2 | CO1 |
| OR | | | | |
| b) | Explain the ground wave propagation model with a neat diagram and derive the expression for the total received power and electric field strength. | 11 | K2 | CO1 |
| 24. a) | Explain briefly the features of FDMA. How many channels can an FDMA system handle and how does the system combat non-linear effects? | 11 | K2 | CO2 |
| OR | | | | |
| b) | Describe the working principle of TDMA systems. Also, derive the expression to calculate the efficiency and the number of channels the system supports. | 11 | K2 | CO2 |
| 25. a) | Explain the different channel assignment strategies used in cellular communication. | 11 | K2 | CO3 |
| OR | | | | |
| b) | Explain frequency reuse in detail and elaborate on the frequency reuse factor. | 11 | K2 | CO3 |
| 26. a) | Explain QPSK transmission and receiver techniques with block diagrams. | 11 | K2 | CO4 |
| OR | | | | |
| b) | Illustrate the Structure of a wireless communication link with a neat diagram. List the advantages of digital modulation schemes. | 11 | K2 | CO4 |
| 27. a) | Explain various micro diversity techniques to compact small-scale fading in detail. | 11 | K2 | CO5 |
| OR | | | | |
| b) | Explain in detail the working principles, advantages, and applications of various types of equalizers such as linear, non-linear, adaptive equalizer. | 11 | K2 | CO5 |
| 28. a) | Illustrate the effect of CSI on system performance and how it can be used to optimize communication strategies such as adaptive modulation and beamforming. | 11 | K3 | CO6 |
| OR | | | | |
| b) i) | Explain with relevant diagrams the layered space-time structure for MIMO systems. | 7 | K3 | CO6 |
| ii) | Explain in detail the concept of Precoding. | 4 | K3 | CO6 |