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

Sixth Semester

Electrical and Electronics Engineering

20EEEL608 - INDUSTRIAL DATA COMMUNICATION

Regulations - 2020

Duration: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

PART - A (MCQ) (10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

	Marks	K – Level	CO
1. Select the following which is considered a linear code for error detection? (a) CRC-16 (b) CRC-CCITT (c) Checksum (d) Cyclic code	1	K1	CO1
2. Mention the primary characteristic of a digital signal? (a) It has continuous values (b) It has discrete states (c) It only exists in binary form (d) It is always used for encryption	1	K1	CO1
3. Choose the main advantage of using the USB interface over traditional serial communication (RS-232)? (a) Faster data transfer rates (b) Simpler cable structure (c) Supports longer cable lengths (d) Uses less power	1	K1	CO2
4. Which IEEE standard defines the physical layer for wireless local area networks (WLAN)? (a) IEEE 802.1 (b) IEEE 802.3 (c) IEEE 802.11 (d) IEEE 802.4	1	K1	CO2
5. Tell the maximum transmission distance specified in the original RS-232(C) standard of 1968? (a) 25 feet (b) 100 feet (c) 50 feet (d) 9600 feet	1	K1	CO3
6. What is a key difference between EIA/TIA 422 and EIA/TIA 423? (a) EIA/TIA 422 is unbalanced, while EIA/TIA 423 is balanced (b) EIA/TIA 422 supports higher speeds and multiple receivers, while EIA/TIA 423 operates at lower speeds (c) EIA/TIA 423 is used for high-speed Ethernet connections (d) EIA/TIA 422 requires grounding for proper operation	1	K1	CO3
7. How do modern bridges improve network performance? (a) By converting Layer 2 addresses into IP addresses (b) By learning Layer 2 addresses and forwarding only necessary traffic. (c) By encrypting all data passing through them (d) By acting as a hub for all network traffic	1	K1	CO4
8. Modbus RTU is primarily used for communication between : (a) Field devices only (b) Processors and a host (c) Web servers and browsers (d) Wireless IoT devices	1	K1	CO4
9. Wireless HART is primarily used in: (a) Consumer IoT devices (b) Industrial automation and process control (c) Office networks (d) Vehicle-to-vehicle communication.	1	K1	CO5
10. Linux is an open-source clone of _____. (a) Windows (b) UNIX (c) Mac OS (d) Android	1	K1	CO5

PART - B (12 × 2 = 24 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

11. Define channels, data and bits.	2	K1	CO1
12. Compare serial and parallel transmission methods.	2	K2	CO1
13. Write a short note on the data link layer.	2	K1	CO1

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| 14. Outline the advantages of EIA/TIA 530. | 2 | K2 | CO2 |
| 15. List out the high-speed serial hard disk interface. | 2 | K1 | CO2 |
| 16. State the difference between EIA 422 and EIA 485. | 2 | K1 | CO2 |
| 17. Classify the types of field buses. | 2 | K2 | CO3 |
| 18. Illustrate the relationship between OSI and Ethernet/IP. | 2 | K2 | CO3 |
| 19. Write down the different types of Modbus RTU messages. | 2 | K1 | CO4 |
| 20. Name the types of wireless communication technologies used in wireless SCADA systems and describe their roles in system operation. | 2 | K2 | CO4 |
| 21. Interpret the role of IEEE 802.15.4 in low-power wireless communication. | 2 | K2 | CO5 |
| 22. What are some of the factors that affect the battery life of sensor nodes in wireless sensor networks? | 2 | K1 | CO5 |

PART - C (6 × 11 = 66 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

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| 23. a) Compare the OSI model with the TCP/IP model in terms of structure and function. | 11 | K2 | CO1 |
| OR | | | |
| b) With a neat diagram, explain in detail the serial and parallel transmission of data communication. | 11 | K2 | CO1 |
| 24. a) Discuss about the EIA/TIA 485(A) standard by identifying its key features and illustrating its communication principles. | 11 | K2 | CO2 |
| OR | | | |
| b) Outline about USB or PC serial communications by identifying their key features and illustrating their operational mechanisms. | 11 | K2 | CO2 |
| 25. a) Build the concepts behind Allen-Bradley and Modicon PLC used for industrial systems. | 11 | K3 | CO3 |
| OR | | | |
| b) Make use of HART and its concepts and explain with neat diagram. | 11 | K3 | CO3 |
| 26. a) Infer the key technologies used in wide area communication, such as cellular networks, satellite communication and LoRaWAN. | 11 | K2 | CO4 |
| OR | | | |
| b) Explain the role of communications security in wide-area SCADA systems. | 11 | K2 | CO4 |
| 27. a) Demonstrate in detail about Zigbee module communication reliability and packet loss in noisy environments. | 11 | K2 | CO5 |
| OR | | | |
| b) With a neat sketch, explain how sensor networks can be used to monitor and manage environmental conditions, such as air quality, water quality, and weather patterns. | 11 | K2 | CO5 |
| 28. a) (i) Extend some limitations of using wireless SCADA in industrial applications. | 6 | K2 | CO4 |
| (ii) Mention the key hardware components of a wireless sensor network and brief its features. | 5 | K2 | CO5 |
| OR | | | |
| b)(i) Interpret the Important components of Modbus RTU. | 6 | K2 | CO4 |
| (ii) Explain the salient features of Bluetooth. | 5 | K2 | CO5 |