

B.E. (Electronics and Communication Engineering)
Seventh Semester
EC-710: Wireless and Mobile Communication

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 50

NOTE: Attempt five questions in all, including Question No. 1 which is compulsory and selecting two questions from each Unit. Use of scientific calculator is allowed.

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I. Attempt the following:-

- (a) Differentiate between TDMA, FDMA and CDMA schemes.
- (b) What are the differences between frequency and time diversity schemes?
- (c) A cellular system with 21 cells has 630 channels. Calculate the frequency reuse factor and channels per cell.
- (d) Is self-jamming a problem in CDMA? Justify.
- (e) Why RAKE receiver is used in CDMA systems? (5x2)

UNIT - I

- II. (a) A mobile moves at 70 km/hr, and a handoff is initiated if the RSS drops below – 120dBm. Calculate the time it takes to reach the handoff threshold if signal drops at a rate of 1.5 dB/s.
- (b) Explain how EDGE improves data rates in GSM / GPRS network. Discuss its modulation technique. (2x5)
- III. (a) Explain how the umbrella cell approach works to optimize cellular coverage and capacity, especially in scenarios with high-speed and low-speed users.
- (b) Explain the method of sectoring in cellular networks, and analyze how it helps in reducing interference and improving capacity. (2x5)
- IV. (a) What is the “channel borrowing” strategy in channel assignment? How does it help, and what are its risks?
- (b) Explain how handover / handoff works in UMTS. What are the different types of handover in W-CDMA? (2x5)

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UNIT - II

- V. (a) Why does a RAKE receiver provide “time diversity”? Explain how it improves SNR.
- (b) Compare linear equalizers and non-linear equalizers in terms of structure, complexity, and performance under deep spectral nulls. (2x5)
- VI. (a) Explain how control channels help in mobile registration and call setup.
- (b) What are the differences between Rayleigh and Rician Fading. (2x5)
- VII. (a) A planner initially uses a cluster of $N = 7$ in a GSM system with cell radius $R = 2.5\text{km}$, path-loss exponent $\gamma = 3.5$. Further, N is increased to 12 for reducing interference.
- (a) Calculate the worst-case S/I for $N = 7$.
- (b) Calculate the worst-case S/I for $N = 12$.
- (c) Compute the improvement (in dB) in S/I from $N=7$ to 12.
- (d) If the system requirement is at least 16 dB S/I, does the new plan with $N = 12$ satisfy it?
- (b) Differentiate between
- (i) Precoding and beamforming
- (ii) Spatial multiplexing and transmit diversity (2x5)