

MID-TRIMESTER EXAMINATIONS

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COURSE CODE: TE 303

COURSE TITLE: WIRELESS & MOBILE COMMUNICATION

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| | COURSE OUTLINE (MAIN TOPICS) | QUESTION NO. |
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| MajorTopic-1 | Introduction to Wireless Communication Systems | Q1B Q3D Q6B |
| MajorTopic-2 | Introduction To Mobile Communication | Q2D Q3C Q5D Q6D |
| MajorTopic-3 | Mobile Architecture (GSM) | Q1C Q1D Q2C Q3A Q4C Q4D Q5B Q5C |
| MajorTopic-4 | The Cellular Concept: Cell Cluster & Frequency Re-Use | Q1A Q2A Q2B |
| MajorTopic-5 | The Cellular Concept: Roaming & Handoffs | Q3B Q4A |
| MajorTopic-6 | Calculations in Mobile Communication | Q4B Q5A Q6A Q6C |

PART A THREE QUESTIONS ANSWER TWO

Question 1

a. Explain why the shape of a cellular cell is **HEXAGONAL**. Explain mathematically the cluster size of a cell that has the following shift parameters: **i=2 and j=1**. Draw the re-use cells of this network.

| Major Topic Cellular Concept & Calculations in Mobile | Blooms Designation AP | Score 8 |
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| Communication | | |

b.What is Cellular Concept in Mobile Telephony? Explain briefly **THREE** factors of this Concept.

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| | Cellular | Designation | 7 |
| Concept | | EV | |

c. Write a short note on Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) as attributed to telecommunications.

| Major Topic Mobile | Blooms Designation | Score 5 |
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| Architecture (GSM) | $oldsymbol{EV}$ | |

d.Explain the importance of **GPRS** to 2G in GSM Cellular Telephony.

| Major Topic | Blooms | Score |
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| Introduction To Mobile | Designation | 5 |
| Communication | EV | |

TOTAL SCORE: [25 Marks]

Question 2

a. The Architecture of GSM Cellular Network is grouped into **FOUR** main areas; list and briefly explain the function of each sector.

| Major Topic Mobile | Blooms Designation | Score 8 |
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| Architecture (GSM) | EV | |

b. What do you understand by call roaming in mobile telephony? Explain the condition that will occasion this feature and also explain the security feature on the mobile switch that handles this facility.

| Major Topic Cellular Concept & Mobile | Blooms Designation | Score 6 |
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| Architecture (GSM) | AP | |

c.

- i. What is the basic difference between Bit and Byte in cellular telephony?
- ii. Convert 64 bits per second to byte per second.
- iii.Convert 88 dB to Power in Watts.

| Major Topic | Blooms | Score |
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| Introduction To Mobile | Designation | 6 |
| Communication | EV | |

d. Discuss briefly **GPS** in Wireless Communication.

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| Introduction to Wireless | Designation | 5 |
| Communication Systems | $oldsymbol{EV}$ | |

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Question 3

a. With the help of diagrams, explain your understanding of proper and improper handoffs in cellular telephony.

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| Cellular | | Designation | 6 |
| Concept | | AP | |

b. The closest distance between the centers of two cells using the same frequency (in different clusters) is determined by the choice of the cluster size N and the layout of the cell cluster (frequency reuse distance). Study the table carefully, copy and fill the blank spaces.

| | Cell Radius [R] | Cluster Size [N] | Reuse Ratio [Q] | Reuse Distance [D] |
|------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| i= 2; j= 2 | 60 m | | | |
| i=3; j= 1 | 70 m | | | |

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c. Explain the function of the Operation and Management Centre (OMC) as associated with mobile telephony.

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| Topic | Designation | 5 |
| Mobile Architecture (GSM) | AP | |

d. With the help of figure 1, explain briefly the difference between **BTS, BCS, SMSC** and **MSC**.

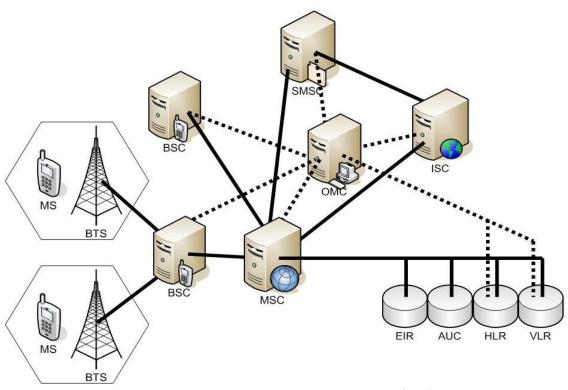


Fig 1

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| Mobile | Designation | 8 |
| Architecture (GSM) | EV | |

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PART B

TWO QUESTIONS ANSWER ONE

Question 4

a. AltelTigo as a Cellular Communication Service Provider has **1500** total available voice channels to handle traffic in the Volta Region. Assuming the total footprint of AltelTigo's network in the region is

3500 Km², prove that the system capacity and the number of channels per cell can be determined knowing that the cluster size is 7 and the coverage area of each cell is 7Km².

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| Calculations in Mobile | Designation | 8 |
| Communication | AP | |

- **b.** Discuss the difference between the following Mobile Radio Transmission Systems and give **ONE** example each:
 - \checkmark Simplex (SX),
 - ✓ Half-duplex (HDX),
 - ✓ Full-duplex (FDX).

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| Intro. to Wireless | Designation | 6 |
| Communication Systems | AP | |

- **c.** If **60MHz** of the total spectrum is allocated for a duplex wireless cellular system and each simplex channel has **15 kHz** RF bandwidth.
- i. Prove that, the number of duplex channels are **2000.**
- ii. If the cell reuse can be obtained using i=3 and j=3; then demonstrate that the total channels per cell site can also be determined.

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| Calculations in Mobile | Designation | 7 |
| Communication | AP | |

d. Explain the functional difference between Frequency Division Duplex (FDD) and Time Division Duplex (TDD).

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| Communication | AP | |

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Question 5

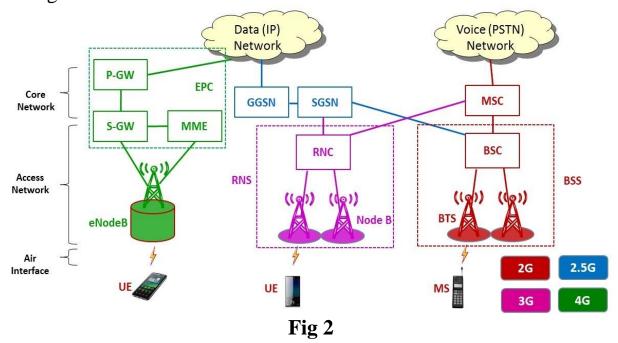
a. Vodafone decides to use a digital TDMA scheme that can tolerate a Signal-to-Interference Ratio of 17dB in the worst case. Show that the optimal value of the path lost exponent, γ for an omnidirectional antenna can be determined; assuming i=3 and j=2. Assume that there are six co-channel cells in the first tier, and all of them are at the same distance from the mobile. Use suitable approximations.

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| Communication | AP | |

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b. You are presented with the cellular topology as shown in figure 2; explain briefly the interconnections between the various mobile generations.



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| Mobile | Designation | 6 |
| | EV | |

Architecture (GSM)

c. There are **THREE** main components that constitute 4G (LTE) Architectural Network as shown in figure 3; briefly explain the function of each component as exclusively pertains to fourth generation cellular telephony.

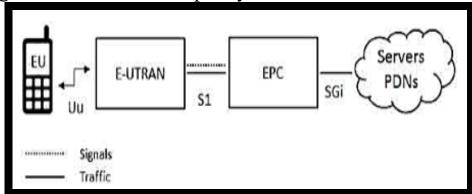


Fig 3

| Major Topic Mobile | Blooms Designation | Score 6 |
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| Architecture (GSM) | EV | |

d. Explain briefly the social challenges in mobile telephony that call for evolution of 5th generation cellular telephony.

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| Introduction To Mobile | Designation | 5 |
| Communication | EV | |

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