



Vavuniya Campus of the University of Jaffna
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(Technology Stream)

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TICT2242-Multimedia Design and Technologies

Answer Four Questions Only

Time Allowed: Two hours

1. (a) Define the term *Multimedia* in computing. Briefly describe three applications of multimedia. [20%]
- (b) Describe *multimedia system* and its basic characteristics. [15%]
- (c) Identify the key issues or challenges that a multimedia system need to deal with and the prerequisites for a multimedia system to overcome the issues or challenges. [25%]
- (d) Explain the term *HyperMedia* and its uses in World Wide Web(WWW). [10%]
- (e) What is the use of *HyperText Transfer Protocol(HTTP)* and *HyperText Markup Language(HTML)* in multimedia transmissions? [10%]
- (f) Explain how images or graphics are represented digitally in computers. [10%]
- (g) Explain how the pixel information or colour information are stored in 8-bit Color Images. [10%]

2. (a) Briefly describe four graphic file formats used to represent it in computers. [20%]
- (b) Consider an image with the size of 1600 x 1200px. Calculate the minimum amount of storage (in KB) that you require to store the image file with no compression for each of the following image data representations:
- Grey level images. [10%]
 - 24-bit color images. [10%]
- (c) Explain *media composition* in your own words. [10%]
- (d) *Text editor* is a tool that allows a user to create and revise document in a computer.
- Briefly describe five broad categories of *text editors* depending on the editing and its output. [15%]
 - Describe the main aspects that a developer has to take into account while designing a text editor. [15%]
- (e) Distinguish between *Vector Graphics Editors* and *Raster Graphics Editors*. [10%]
- (f) Briefly describe the features of image viewers. [10%]
3. (a) Write down the *Huffman Encoding Algorithm*. [10%]
- (b) You are given the following message, for which the size of each character is one byte.
- can you can a can as a canner can can a can?
- Find the size of the message with no compression. [10%]
 - Find the size of the encoded message using fixed length encoding. [10%]
 - Show how you use Huffman encoding scheme to encode the message and find the size of encoded message. [20%]
 - Calculate and compare the compression ratio obtained in part b(ii) and b(iii). [10%]

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(c) Encode the following bitmap image using Run-Length Encoding Scheme:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

[15%]

(d) Describe what is meant by *Interactive Media* in computer systems.

[10%]

(e) Briefly describe five applications of Interactive Video.

[15%]

4. (a) Explain the step-by-step procedure of *JPEG Encoding Scheme* with aid of a diagram.

[30%]

(b) Briefly describe each of the following techniques of *Audio Compression*.

i. Predictive encoding.

[10%]

ii. Perceptual encoding.

[10%]

(c) What is the use of *JPEG encoding* in video compression?

[10%]

(d) Differentiate between *spatial compression* and *temporal compression* in MPEG encoding scheme.

[20%]

(e) An 8-bit colour image of size 3 x 4 inches is scanned in 300dpi resolution. The image is then compressed with the compression ratio 1:20 using JPEG encoding scheme and uploaded on a web site. Calculate the total time required to download the image where the typical transfer rate is 800 bytes/sec.

[20%]

5. (a) Describe what is the difference between file downloading and streaming media. [10%]
- (b) i. Briefly describe each of the categorization of the streaming technologies based on the casting protocol. [15%]
- ii. Compare and contrast the advantages and disadvantages identified in each of the above technologies. [15%]
- (c) Write a typical scenario to explain video buffering occurred during streaming. [10%]
- (d) A High Definition video file is stored on a server for on demand streaming and this stream uses unicast protocol. The total length of the video is 20s, and it plays in 4 frames/sec rate while each frame is of size 720 x 1280 px. The server receives 100 requests from the users.
- i. Find what is the buffer size. [10%]
- ii. Find the required number of bandwidth. [10%]
- iii. Find what is the estimated live streaming total traffic. [10%]
- (e) Differentiate *virtual reality* and *augmented reality*. [10%]
- (f) Briefly explain three applications of *virtual reality*. [10%]

