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2020/2021 ACADEMIC YEAR**

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**FOR THE DEGREE OF  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE COMPUTER SCIENCE**

**COURSE CODE : CSC 216**

**COURSE TITLE : DIGITAL AND ANALOGUE  
COMMUNICATION SYSTEM**

**DATE: 16 /06 /2021 TIME: 09.00 A.M – 11.00 A.M**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

**ANSWER QUESTIONS ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO**

### QUESTION ONE [COMPULSORY] [30 MARKS]

- a) Communication channels can be classified as either line communication or radio communication. Giving a suitable example of each and distinguish between the two classifications. [4 marks]
- b) Distinguish between external noise and internal noise. State how each one can be minimized. [4 marks]
- c) Distinguish between the multiplexing and demultiplexing. [4 marks]
- d) Determine the average conversion time of a 12-bit ADC of the counter type for an input clock frequency of 1MHz [5 marks]
- e) Using illustrative diagrams, discuss the following digital modulation techniques.
- i. ASK [2 marks]
  - ii. PSK [2 marks]
  - iii. FSK [2 marks]
- f) An amplifier operating over a frequency range from 650kHz to 660kHz has a  $75\text{k}\Omega$  input resistance at an ambient temperature of  $15^\circ\text{C}$ . Taking Boltzmann's constant  $= 1.33 \times 10^{-23}$  joule/Kelvin, determine:
- i. The r.m.s. noise voltage at input [3 marks]
  - ii. Noise power [2 marks]
  - iii. Power spectrum density [2 marks]

### QUESTION TWO [20 MARKS]

- a) State three merits of SSB over DSB-FC modulation in AM (3 marks)
- b) Distinguish the following AM techniques from each other
- i. double sideband-suppressed carrier (DSB-SC) [2 marks]
  - ii. single sideband (SSB) [3 marks]
  - iii. vestigial sideband (VSB) [3 marks]
- c) Use illustrative diagrams to describe the following modulation techniques:
- i. Pulse Amplitude Modulation (PAM) [3 marks]
  - ii. Pulse Width Modulation (PWM) [3 marks]
  - iii. Pulse position Modulation (PPM). [3 marks]



### QUESTION THREE [20 MARKS]

- a) State two merits of digital modulation techniques: [2 marks]
- b) Highlight the following digital modulation techniques: [2 marks]
- i. Synchronous Time Division Multiplexing [2 marks]
  - ii. Asynchronous Time Division Multiplexing [2 marks]
- c) With the help of block diagrams, explain Pulse Code Modulation [6 marks]
- d) A certain radio station uses an FM carrier frequency of 100.5MHz that is modulated by 4kHz sine wave with a resulting frequency deviation of 35kHz. Determine:
- i. the carrier swing of the FM signal [2 marks]
  - ii. the highest frequency reached by the FM signal [2 marks]
  - iii. the lowest frequency reached by the FM signal [2 marks]
  - iv. the modulated index [2 marks]

### QUESTION FOUR [20 MARKS]

- a) Outline five reasons for signal modulation [5 marks]
- b) A radio station antenna transmits AM waves at 75kW of carrier power. Determine the total radiated power at 80% modulation? [4 marks]
- c) Highlight effects of aliasing and name three ways aliasing can be eliminated. [4 marks]
- d) Figure 1 shows a block diagram of a digital communication system. Highlight the function of each block. [7 marks]

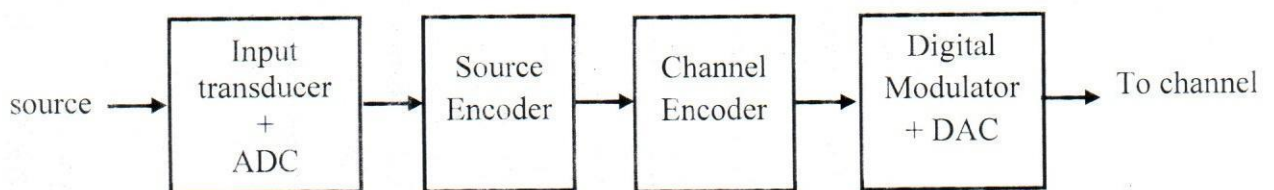


Figure 1

### QUESTION FIVE [20 MARKS]

- a) A certain digital signal is represented by the binary pulses 111001011000. Draw the resulting digital waveforms when the following line coding schemes are used:
- On-off (RZ) [2 marks]
  - Polar (RZ) [1 mark]
  - Bipolar (RZ) [1 mark]
  - On-off (NRZ) [2 marks]
  - Polar (NRZ) [1 mark]
- b) Describe the working principle of a Digital-to-Analogue Convertor (DAC) shown in figure 2 below. [10 marks]

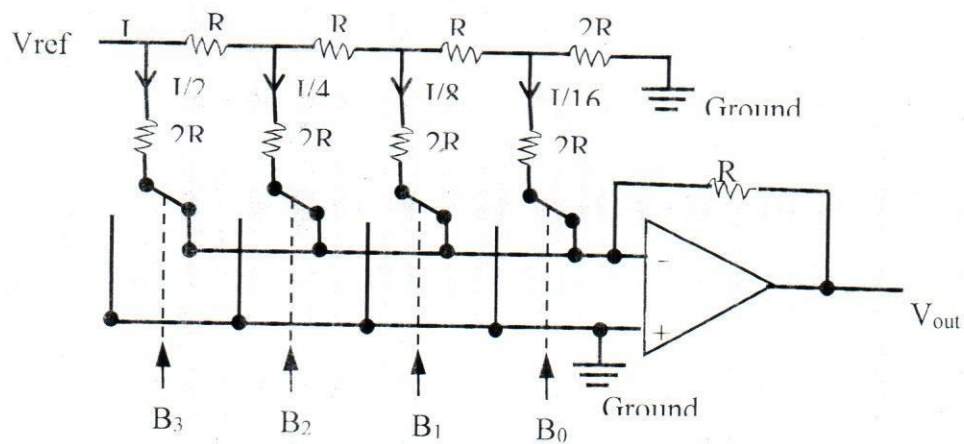


Figure 2

- c) A certain communication device uses a transmitting antenna that is 5cm in length. Determine the frequency at which the device is able to transmit. Take the speed of light to be  $2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . [3 marks]